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## The Fox News Report



It is with a heavy heart that for the second month in a row I have to report on the death of one of our Companions. I'm sure everyone has learned of the untimely passing of Dorian Barton, our Junior Vice Commander. Dorian passed away on November 25<sup>th</sup> from what is believed to have been a massive heart attack. He leaves his wife, Diane, and son, Ian. Funeral arrangements are pending. As soon as we know what they are, we will inform the Chapter. Join me in extending our heartfelt sympathy to Diane and Ian at this trying time.



Cadets from the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Army JROTC unit at John Horn High School are seen carrying the banner of our Order and the Colors of our Chapter during the annual Dallas Veterans Day Parade. Dallas Chapter Perpetual Companion, COL Jim Methered, is the Senior Military Science Instructor at Horn HS.

On recent events, the Veterans Day Parade was a great success again, not too surprising since approximately 18 of the Parade staff are MOWW members. There were approximately 130 military, cadet and veterans' units in the parade plus more than 200 World War II veterans riding in top-down sports cars. The assembly area was jam packed, but the parade went off on-time and in great fashion. The streets were lined with cheering spectators and everyone had a good time.

Currently, we are getting ready for our Christmas party at the DoubleTree Hotel, on Central Expressway, Tuesday December 6<sup>th</sup>. We have over 100 people signed up, so far, so it should be an outstanding evening. Our entertainment will be provided by the New Andrews Sisters, singing songs that made the *original* group famous. Most of us still remember their patriotic boogie-woogie songs and I anticipate that we will be invited to sing-along. I'll look forward to seeing you there.

My sincere wishes for everyone to have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*William T. Fox*  
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Dallas Chapter Commander

*Remember it is better to serve than to be served*



Christmas Banquet, 1830 hrs, 6 Dec 11, @ DoubleTree Hotel  
Staff Meeting, 1300 hrs, 5 Dec 11, @ DoubleTree Hotel  
Ops Staff Meeting, 1400 hrs, 14 Dec 11, @ Cdr's Qtrs

### It's why they are known as "The Chosin Few"

Glen Cary was a fresh faced kid, barely 20 years old, when he received orders to deploy to combat in South Korea. Time dims many memories, but Glenn transported us back to that forgotten war with stories that made you feel the bite of the ice and snow, while waiting for the next attack from hordes of North Korean & Chinese troops.



Former CSM Glenn Cary survived the worst winter on record at the frozen Chosin Reservoir

### Veterans Day in the nation's Capitol

#### Arlington National Cemetery

Vice Commanders-in-Chief John Hayes and Gary Engen had the honor of carrying the US flag and the MOWW flag during Veterans Day ceremonies held in the amphitheater in Arlington Cemetery. Our Commander-in-Chief, Capt Russ Vowinkel (USN,Ret) was a guest of the President, as the Military Order of World Wars hosted the annual VIP reception for military and government officials. Russ, John Gary Engen & John Hayes and Gary attended the wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Click [HERE](#) for additional photos.



### Veterans Day, 11/11/11

#### Remembering Pearl Harbor

The Dallas Veterans Day Parade featured 320 World War II veterans. It was the largest gathering of WW II veterans in the nation. The majority of the veterans rode in a convoy of 200 sports cars and vintage classic convertibles. Another 120 were seated at City Hall to watch the Parade "Pass in Review".



These men can still tell you where they were and what they were doing on "the Day that will live in Infamy"

Dallas Chapter Companions provided the leadership that organized and executed the Parade. Click [HERE](#) for additional photos.



### Christmas at the DoubleTree

The annual gathering of the Companions of the three chapters of the Greater Dallas Metroplex signals a



The munificence of our Companions is exceeded only by their good fortune in the selection of significant others.

time to share in the joy of friendships, to count our many blessings, and to celebrate the meaning of the holiday season. **Merry Christmas-one and all.**

### Next Six Month's Programs

#### Feature Programs Just Keep Getting Better

- 6 Dec 11 – Annual Christmas Banquet**  
Formal Dinner, Entertainment, and "Toys for Tots"
- 10 Jan 12 – Clint Bruce, US Navy, SEAL Team 5**  
"War on Terror in a Post-Bin Laden World"
- 7 Feb 12 – Kelly Shackelford, Liberty Institute**  
"Protection of Constitutional Freedoms"
- 6 Mar 12 – B.C. Fleming, (BlownUpGuy)**  
"One Soldier's Encounter with a Suicide Bomber"
- 3 Apr 12 – Sgt Louis Felini, Dallas Police Department**  
"Local, State & Nat'l Law Enforcement Programs"
- 5 Jun 12 – Installation Banquet**  
Formal Dinner, Installation of Officers for 2013"

### Snowball Express

#### Five Days of Fun for Kids of Fallen Warriors

Circle your calendars for 9-13 Dec 11. Join volunteers from all of the veterans' organizations in the Greater Dallas area in welcoming some neat kids to Dallas. The Snowball Express is coming to town.



This marks the third year that Dallas will host this magnificent party for the children of fallen servicemen. Click [HERE](#) and watch [videos](#) of the kids who came last year and you will see why this is an opportunity for you to give from your heart; not your wallet.

# Happy Birthday

## One Year Older; A Whole Lot Wiser

- 2 December LTC Paul Bauereis
- 2 December CDR Michael Healy
- 3 December CPT Willard (Ben) Brown
- 3 December CPT Paul Sermas
- 4 December MR David Merton
- 4 December 1921 CPT Charles Mohrle
- 6 December COL (Ch) Wesley Gear
- 7 December LT Joe Applewhite
- 13 December MR Jacob Paleschic
- 13 December MRS Dorothy Traynor
- 14 December COL Louis McMenamy
- 16 December LT Robert Betts
- 17 December MR Jeffery Stevens
- 21 December LTC James Blunk
- 21 December LTC Chuck Chamberlain
- 21 December COL Ron Forest
- 23 December LT Kermit Gable
- 24 December LTC Gary Hoebeke
- 24 December COL Ron Barker
- 24 December COL (Ch) Ralph Smith
- 25 December MAJ Buck Werner
- 27 December LTC Erich Schleier
- 29 December LTC Russell Hooper
- 31 December COL Steve Minear

## Veterans Day

### Don Nguyen makes us proud



Dallas Chapter Companion, **Don Nguyen**, was the keynote speaker during a Veterans Day commemorative Luncheon held at the Frontiers of Flight Museum at Love Field. Don spoke of his love of America and what it means to serve in the Armed Forces of the United States. When Don arrived in the US, at the age of 9, he had to overcome jet lag, language barrier, culture shock and strange food. Today, he is an upwardly mobile Major in the US Air Force. His is the Great American Success story.

### Vice CINC John Hayes covers Courts of Honor

It has been a busy thirty days for John Hayes. In addition to his “day job” as Military Liaison for US Representative Kenny Marchant, John represented the Dallas Chapter at several Eagle Scout Courts of Honor, while simultaneously, representing the Order during Veterans Day ceremonies at Arlington National Cemetery in his capacity as one of the four elected Vice Commanders-in-Chief of MOWW. (Article on page 2).

On 1 November, John presented an MOWW Certificate of Commendation to Civil Air Patrol (CAP) cadet Robert Severance, a recent recipient of the prestigious General Ira Eaker award, one of the highest levels of achievement in CAP.



On 8 November, John presented an MOWW Eagle Scout Certificate of Recognition to Paul Zietsman, of Troop 842, at the United Methodist Church in Coppell.



Fourteen days later, he attended the Court of Honor for Eagle Scout Nicholas Dean Reynolds of Troop 498, held at the Woods United Methodist Church in Grand Prairie. Both of the Scout Troops are members of the Circle Ten Council of North Texas.



Thanks, John, for everything you do for Scouting and for your outstanding work on behalf of the Dallas Chapter of MOWW.

### In Memoriam

#### **Earl V. Dunnington, Jr.** (25 Sep 1919 – 27 Oct 2011)

We have been notified that Perpetual Companion Earl Dunnington, Jr, *father* of Companion, Earl III, has answered the call of the Great Commander of us all. During World War II, he landed in Normandy with Oklahoma’s famous 45<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division.

DALLAS CHAPTER COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN		
Law & Order	John Hayes	SROTC & JROTC
Membership	Ron Forest	National Security
		Don Munson
		2013 MOWW NATIONAL CONVENTION
		Mike Christians
		Patriotic Education
		Cliff Way
		Publicity
		Wes Gross

## KNOW YOUR CHAPTER COMPANIONS

### Capt Dorian Barton, US Air Force (1958-2011)



Dorian Barton was born 27 October 1958. He died of a sudden heart attack on 28 November 2011. He was 52 years old.

He joined the Dallas Chapter as a Regular member in September 2009 and became a Perpetual member in December

2009. He was installed during the June 2011 Installation dinner as our Junior Vice Commander.

Dorian received his Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Marketing from North Texas State University in 1980. Upon graduation he was commissioned through the USAF ROTC Detachment 835 at North Texas State University. Dorian served as a Weapons Director and Instructor Weapons Director on board the E3 Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) aircraft in the 552 AWAC Wing participating in missions in the continental U.S., Puerto Rico, Europe, Iceland and Saudi Arabia. He separated from the U.S. Air Force in 1985.

His decorations and awards included the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Outstanding Unit and Senior Air Weapons Controller Badge.

In 1994, he earned a second BBA degree, in Real Estate, from the University of North Texas. Dorian was active in real estate and business education for the last 17 years. He recently was the coordinator of the Real Estate Program at Richland College.

Dorian owned and operated a North Texas real estate company, specializing in residential brokerage and apartment locating, for many years.

Dorian and his wife, Diane, were married for over 28 years. Diane currently lives in The Colony, TX. Their son, Ian, is a senior at Texas A&M University and a member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band.

### Maj Gen Jeffrey Kahla, US Air Force (Ret)



Jeffrey Kahla was born in 1939, in Helena, MT. He earned a BS degree in Business Administration from the University of Washington in 1961 and a MS degree from Stanford University's Graduate School of Business in 1982. He completed Squadron Officer School in 1967, Air Command and Staff College in 1972, and the Air War College in 1980.

Maj Gen Kahla began active duty in August 1961 at Sheppard AFB, TX. After completing computer programming school, he was assigned to Norton AFB, CA., where he served as a programmer, systems analyst and computer operations chief. From 1964 until 1967 he was assigned to Headquarters USAF Logistics Command, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH.

In 1967, he was assigned to Military Assistance Command-Vietnam, Tan Son Nhut Air Base. In 1968, he transferred to Wheeler Air Force Base, HI. In 1971, he was assigned to the Office of the Inspector General, U.S. Air Force, Norton AFB, CA.

After graduation from Stanford University in July 1982, he served as Deputy Chief, Office of the Comptroller, Washington, D.C., and later became director of cost and management analysis. He became Commander of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, in 1989 with Headquarters in Dallas, TX.

Major General Kahla's military decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, and Air Force Commendation Medal. He retired Oct. 1, 1991 and has since been active in veterans' organizations to include MOWW, the Veterans Day Parade, and the Military Ball.

# CHAPTER ACTIVITIES DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

## Scenes from the 2011 Veterans Day Parade



2011 Parade Chairman MG Al Zapanta US Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson and Dallas Mayor Mike Rawlings



Al and Pete Sessions (R, TX) are flanked by "Patty, Maxine, and LaVerne", who go by the name of **The New Andrews Sisters**



Ron Forest chairs the Pass in Review King Moss is in charge of VIP's Dignitaries and special guests



BG Larry Patterson, Texas Natl Guard pinned Captain's bars on his nephew, Jacob, a 4<sup>th</sup> Generation TX NG Engineer



Bob Dickson was last year's Announcer MG Al Zapanta assisted former CINC Rollie Stevens present Art contest awards



MajGen Jim Williams (USMC) was the Parade's Keynote Speaker. Don Munson handled Parade Entries



The Parade featured the largest gathering of World War II veterans in the nation 200 chose to ride in convertibles



Wes Gross and his sweetheart, Ginny, relax after the Parade. Wes is in charge of the Massing of the Colors ceremony



Highlight of the Eleventh Hour ceremony is the Massing of 100 US flags and flags from each of the 50 states



Jim Patterson, WW II Bomber pilot, was selected to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance



Walt Capps is OIC of the Assembly Area charged with creating order out of the chaos of assembling 5,000 participants



Each of the 200 WW II veterans rode in a sports car or vintage classic car provided by 16 Dallas auto clubs

## *The Chaplain's Corner*

*Chaplain (Capt.) Dr. Weldon Estes*



### **“God’s Greatest Gift”**

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)

The wise men came requesting: “Where is He that is born King of the Jews?” (Matthew 2:2)

Jesus is the most notable figure upon 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 earth’s greatest philanthropies. More books have been written about Him than have been written of all the kings who have ruled from earthly thrones.

In Isaiah 9:6, Isaiah prophesized: “...and His name shall be called wonderful.”

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

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**To Bring a Guest!!**

### **THIS DAY IN HISTORY 25 DEC 1776**



On December 25, 1776, George Washington crossed the Delaware River and attacked the Hessians in Trenton, NJ. It was a turning point in the war.