

The Dispatch



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The Association for all Military Officers January 2021

NEXT PUGET SOUND CHAPTER EVENT

10 JANUARY 2021



**Patriotic Education with Lt Col
John Apostolides**

Join us on 10 December
at 1200 by tuning in to



Link will be sent prior to our
meeting



Commander's Corner: *January input by LTC Haskins*

Companions HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a safe New Year.

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Here it is January. Almost a full year of COVID 19. I do not know what to predict for 2021, but I feel we still have hope as the virus vaccine is provided to more and more people. Over one million people have been vaccinated so far and that number will accelerate as we ramp up vaccinations in the new year. ZOOM meetings will continue, to keep us in touch and together as a chapter. Remember our motto: "It is Nobler to Serve than to be Served".

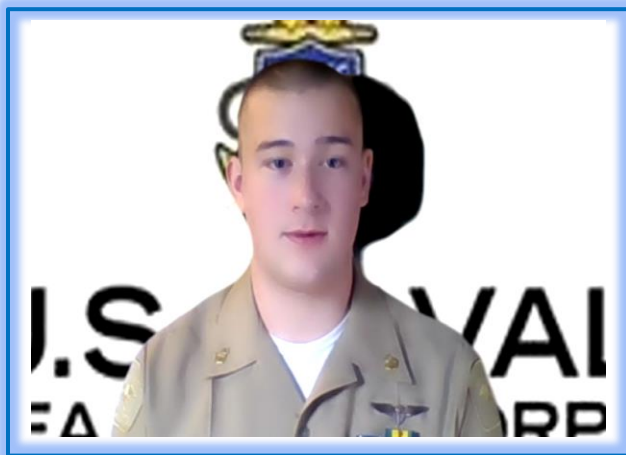
Our January meeting will be on the 10th, with Patriotic Education the theme and JROTC teens presenting. LTC John Apostolides will have his cadets helping with the program—one of which will receive a well-deserved award.

We welcome new members Brian Nelson, Sam Scott, Breck Lebegue, Ron Lucas. Three out of four have been inducted formally in December, and hopefully Brian will have the honors in January.

In February we look forward to a very interesting presentation on China from COL (Dr.) Author Tulak, from Hawaii. Additionally, a Washington State Patriotic Day program is scheduled for later in the month. Please join me on 10 January, Heinz

Thanks to LCDR Joe Martin for the Pearl Harbor Remembrance program on 6 December.

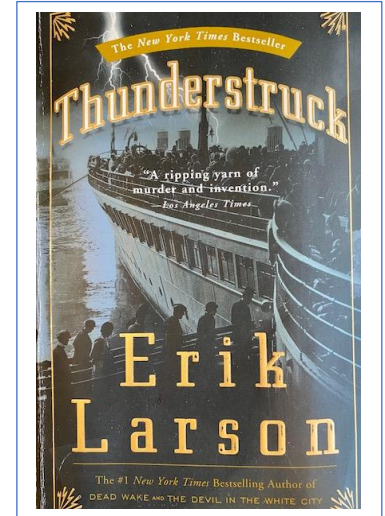
Congratulations to our Navy Cadets who received the MOWW Medal of Merit for their good work in the community.



Book Reader

In *Thunderstruck*, Larson tells of two men—Crippen, a very unlikely murderer, and Marconi, the obsessive creator of a seemingly supernatural means of communication—whose lives intersect during one of the greatest criminal cases of all time. Set in Edwardian London, this is a detective story on one hand and a peek into one of the greatest inventions of the century. These 2 stories come together in a most bizarre way. Erik knows how to write a gripping tale that makes the reader coming back for more.

Thunderstruck, Erik Larson



Chapter Chaplain's Notes—August, Chaplain **Bill Johnson**

It has been very difficult for us to understand all that has happened in 2020. All of us experienced a new normal as we lived through a world-wide pandemic and experienced the need to quarantine ourselves and our families in order to remain as safe as possible. For almost a year we prayed, "O Lord, How Long?" And so we begin the New Year 2021AD with renewed hope that our Lord will guide us and help us as always.

As we move through this pandemic, we should remind ourselves that we are in the midst of a completely new learning experience which requires careful planning. Look at what we have just gone through since last March. For those of us with children our homes have become schools. For others our homes have become offices and instead of a daily commute we find ourselves at home doing our office from the dining room table.

Now that the pandemic is still with us in 2021 vaccines will begin to become available in different phases beginning with health care personnel and those in long time care facilities. It is estimated that there should be enough vaccines to provide for the entire United States population by June of this year.

While all of this is happening, it is important for us to continue to care for those who depend upon us, our families while keeping safe distances when we help neighbors and friends. It continues to be important to pray for those who depend upon us for assistance. Pray also that 2021 will be a much healthier and happier New Year for all us of here in our beloved United States of America.

COMING EVENTS

10 January	Patriotic Education	Zoom
14 February	National Security--China	Zoom
20 February	WA State Patriotic Day	TBD
14 March	Bronze Patrick Henry Award	Zoom

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Adjutant Angle: Diane says, "Happy New Year!" Let's remember our companions who are recovering from health issues, Alan Mandigo, John Hemphill & Jack Jory. We all look forward to gathering together.

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Lt Col John **Apostolides** (R) with cadets from Bethel High School prepare our Patriotic Education Program for the Puget Sound Chapter

Pershing



Quiz

What was Pershing's biggest and final battle that caused the Germans to surrender?

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It's not whether you win or lose,
but how you place the blame.

The latest survey shows that
three out of four people make
up 75% of the population