

# The Dispatch



**PUGET SOUND CHAPTER, MILITARY ORDER OF THE WORLD WARS**

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**The Association for all Military Officers**    **May 2021**

**NEXT PUGET SOUND CHAPTER EVENT**

**16 MAY 2021**

**JROTC/ROTC with COL  
“Ben” Bird**

Join us on **16 May** at  
**1300** by tuning in to



Link will be sent soon



**Guest Presenter: Colonel “Ben” Bird, USA,  
Commander, 8th Brigade (ROTC)**

**Join the Puget Sound Chapter’s meeting on  
16 May at 1300 when you will hear  
everything about how high school and  
college students are being educated in  
military science.**

## **Commander's Corner: April input by LTC Haskins**

Although COVID is still with us. get those vaccine shots and make sure we are all safe. I'll bet all Puget Sound Companions have already accomplished this goal. Was hoping that May would be an IN-Person meeting—but not to be. The Puget Sound meeting start time has been changed to 1300 hrs., due to many companions going to their religious services again, now that they are allowing more in-person participation.

I would like to thank all for continuing to Zoom. April's chapter meeting was very enlightening—a wonderful Law & Order theme, recognizing 1<sup>st</sup> responders. We also had our drive for gift cards to support homeless veterans. Generous contributions of \$1500 was collected thanks to companions.

Our May meeting will be on the 16<sup>th</sup> at 1300 hrs. (a change due to Mother's Day on the 9<sup>th</sup>). The program will be ROTC/JROTC. May holidays to look out for are: Armed Forces Day & Memorial Day.

Our June meeting will be about recognizing Past Commanders and awards to companions.

The weather is getting "summer like" so enjoy, but don't overdo it.

As a final note, congratulations to Past Commander Dick Muri on his election to Steilacoom Mayor. Heinz

### **DVA Dennis Brown**



Dennis says thank you to the Puget Sound Chapter for the generous \$1500 that will go for gift cards to help homeless veterans



## **Armed Forces Day**

**This We'll Defend June 14<sup>th</sup> 1775**



## Always Courageous    October 13, 1775

### Book Reader

A firsthand account of World War II alongside one of our US Army's greatest Generals. Frank Sisson was born in 1925, and in 1944 he deployed to France with the 667<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery. As a sergeant, he participated in much of the most significant fighting of the latter part of the war, including the Battle of the Bulge and freeing Dachau concentration camp. After the war he served as a military police inspector in war-torn Berlin. An excellent firsthand look at the last 6 months of the war and the aftermath of what was left of the German capital city.

### I Marched with Patton    Frank Sisson



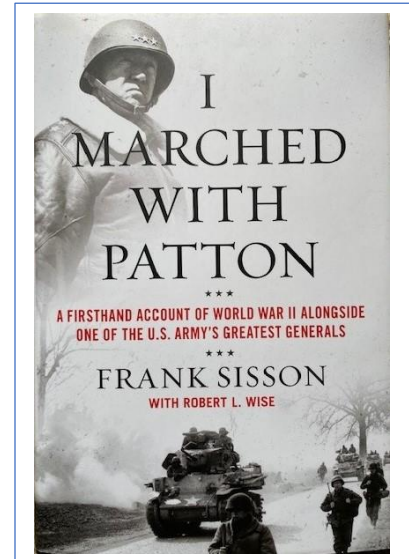
### Chapter Chaplain's Notes—April, Chaplain Bill Johnson

During the month of May we observe Mother's Day as well as some very important military observances all of which have important meaning for every American. Armed Forces Day helps us to remember how important the military has been to provide protection for our country over the years. The third observance, Memorial Day, provides us with the opportunity to be thankful for all the Veterans who have served at home and abroad in defense of their beloved country.

Mother's Day is a celebration honoring the mothers of our families. This year it is celebrated on Sunday the 9th of May. The modern observance of Mother's Day was first celebrated in 1907. In 1908, the U.S. Congress rejected making Mother's Day an official holiday. Joking that they would then have to proclaim a "Mother-in-Law's Day". In 1914 President Wilson signed a proclamation designating Mother's Day to be on the second Sunday of May as a national holiday to honor mothers.

In 1949 the Defense Secretary created Armed Forces Day to replace the separate Army, Navy and Air Force days. The single celebration was the result of the unification of the armed forces under one agency, the Defense Department. President Truman praised the creation of the day as vital for the security of nation. President Truman also began Armed Forces Day on Saturday, May 20, 1950. This marked the first demonstration of America's progress under the National Security Act which continues to the present time.

Memorial Day originally honored only those lost while fighting in the Civil War. But during WWI when the United States was again in a major conflict the day evolved into remembering American military personnel who died in all wars including WWII, the Viet Nam War, the Korean War and the wars in Iraq and in Afghanistan. Originally Memorial Day was observed on May 30th, but in 1968 Congress passed a law which established the last Monday in May as Memorial Day. The same law also declared



Memorial Day a Federal Holiday. Cities and towns across the United States host Memorial Day parades each year, often including Active-Duty Military as well as members of Veteran's organizations.



**Always Faithful**

**November 10, 1775**

### COMING EVENTS

16 May	JROTC/ROTC Presentation	Zoom
13 June	Chapter Awards and Recognition	???
11 July	Northwest Youth Leadership Conference	Pacific Lutheran U

### Adjutant Angle:



**As Heinz mentioned the raffle was a success. Let's double the companions who participated. Here is how it works; you send a check in increments of \$5 (minimum of \$5) to Treasurer Alan Mandigo at 4610, 29<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, Tacoma, WA 98422. Each \$5 will give you one chance to win. On the day of our meeting a random drawing will determine the winner, who will receive a portion of the pot. The other part of the pot will go to a scholarship for students of the Northwest Youth Leadership Conference. Give it a try, send in your entry check. Do It Now...we seniors have a way of forgetting 😊**



**Always Ready**

**August 4, 1790**

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**Committee Chairs:**

<b>Law and Order:</b> CWO Lee Leddy	<b>Homeland Security:</b> Mummy's	<b>WSPD:</b> Maj Keith Warren
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<b>NWYLC:</b> Gibson+CDR Mandigo	<b>ROTC/JROTC:</b> CDR Mandigo	



**Pershing Quiz**



What special guest visited Pershing after the war and stayed 6 months?

Email me at [dave\\_digib@comst.net](mailto:dave_digib@comst.net)



**Aim High ... Fly-Fight-Win.**

**September 17, 1947**



**Always above**

**December 20, 2019**