# The Dispatch



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## The Association for all Military Officers



NEXT PUGET SOUND CHAPTER EVENT

10 Oct. 2021

# **National Security/Ft Lewis Museum**

Please RSVP to Keith Warren at <a href="mailto:gabbywar10@comcast.net">gabbywar10@comcast.net</a> or 360 584-8414

When: 10 October In-person Meeting!

Time: 1230 Back together again

Where: Oakbrook Golf Course, Adriatic

Restaurant

Dress: coat and tie or business casual

Cost: \$25, free for first-timers

**RSVP**: see above





Beginnings of Camp Lewis...



... And the Ft Lewis Museum



# September Report—Puget Sound Chapter Zoom Meeting

Western Air Defense Sector (WADS) controls the skies over all states from Texas to Washington and keeps us safe from hostile aircraft.

Homeland defense is provided by the Washington Air National Guard.





Major Dennis Martin provided an excellent briefing about homeland defense, Bigfoot Country, and the men and women who ensure our safety.

Aircraft like the F-15 are on 15-minute alert to protect the air defense zone along the Pacific and Mexican boarders





Also in September, the Puget Sound Chapter companions (left to right) CDR Mandigo, CDR Kirkland, LTC Haskins presented checks totaling \$1200 to LCDR Hood (uniform) and his NJROTC cadets at the new Peninsula HS unit

Can't forget the Birthday of the USAF in Sept.



### Commander's Corner: October input by LTC Haskins



Here it is, October already. Get ready for the Goblins.

We hope to have our first in person Chapter meeting on October 10th, at Oakbrook Golf Club, Adriatic Grill. We will begin meeting at 1230PM and have a Buffet style Lunch.

I was just recently informed by Ted Parsons, Region 14 commander that we are in the lead in the region for recruiting 4 new members so far. We plan on installing new members at the October meeting.

We will also be posting our award ribbons from the national convention onto our MOWW Chapter flag. Speaking of awards, hope you read your current Officer Review Cover to Cover, many references to Puget Sound Chapter in the award recipients' pages. Kudos to all.

There is going to be a Region 14 Zoom conference on October 23rd at 5 PM Pacific time. Will provide link when available. All companions are invited for those interested in region activities.

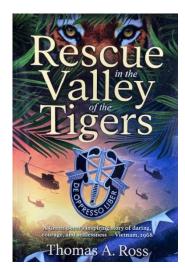
Remember: It is nobler to serve than to be served.

Heinz

#### **Book Reader**

LT Thomas Ross, Special forces solder and author, spins a fascinating tale about his 3-day mission to rescue over 100 Montagnard villagers from the grasp of VC and NVA oppressors. This book is the sequel to Along the Way that talks about Tom's year in Viet Nam. When LT Ross arrived in-country he hoped that he could accomplish something good and meaningful during his tour of duty. When 3 Montagnards begged Tom to rescue their village from enslavement, he knew this was "something meaningful". Read Rescue in the Valley of the Tigers to know what the courage of Americans can do.

Rescue in the Valley of the Tigers Thomas A. Ross



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

One of the interesting facts about the month of October is that it has two days of international interest and I will share some thoughts about both of them a little later. Currently October has its share of monthly events recognized by the supporting groups. Here are a few of them: 1 Oct. International Coffee Day, 3 Oct. German Unity Day, 5 Oct. World Teachers' Day, World Mothers' Health Day, 15 Oct. Global Hand-Washing Day, 24 Oct. United Nations Day and the list goes on until the end of the month. However, the list does not have the two most important days which are included on most of our calendars. The first one is Columbus Day which is observed on the second Monday of October each year and celebrates the arrival of Columbus in America on Oct.12 1492. I remember this poem from grade school:

Columbus sailed the ocean blue in 1492.

They said, "You'll fall off the edge if you sail like that."

But Columbus sailed and he sailed some more

until he reached America's shore.

Columbus was looking for a faster way to get to the Far East and accidentally he discovered the New World. The beginning of Halloween is more complicated since it has both Pagan and Christian origins. All Hallows Eve is the evening before All Saints Day and was established by Christians to convert Pagans and is celebrated on Nov. 1st. When the Irish came to America, they began the tradition of going door to door asking for treats and sweets on Halloween. Children still continue that tradition on Halloween today.

	Coming Events	
Date	Outreach	Time/Date
10 October	National Security	1230 at Oakbrook
14 November	National Security/ w MOAA	1230 Oakbrook
3 December	Christmas Party	Ft Lewis
12 December	Pearl Harbor Remembrance	TBD

Adjutant Angle: With our in-person October meeting, we will have a raffle table. Bring a thing or goodie you'd like to contribute. Tickets will be \$5, proceeds support Northwest Youth Leadership Conference

**Humor in Uniform:** Marching in basic training, an Air Force cadet was always enthralled with plans flying overhead. He was also constantly getting reamed out for not keeping his eyes cadged forward. Finally, the instructor had had enough and devised an appropriate punishment. For the rest of the day, the cadet had to stand on the edge of the training area and wave to every plane that flew past, shouting, "Bye-bye! Have a good flight."

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Membership: Lt Col Muri National Security: MG Coffey Scouting: CDR Ron Kirkland

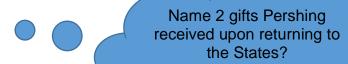
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