

The Dispatch

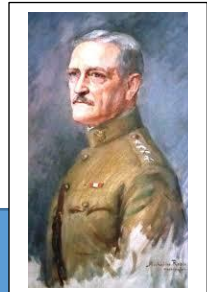


PUGET SOUND CHAPTER, MILITARY ORDER OF THE WORLD WARS

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The Association for all Military Officers

NEXT PUGET SOUND CHAPTER EVENT

12 DEC. 2021

Pearl Harbor Remembrance

with John Jensen



SCAN ME

Please RSVP to Keith Warren 360

4003485at <https://mowwpugetsoundchapter.org/monthly-meeting-rsvp/> or use this QR code with your smart phone:

When: 12 December

Time: 1230

Where: The Adriatic Grill at Oakbrook

Dress: Coat and tie or business casual

Cost: \$25 with option for raffle ticket

RSVP: Try our QR code with cell phone

Guest Speaker: John Jensen



November Puget Sound Chapter Meeting



CDR Ray Corrigan brought an excellent briefing to Chapter companions on 14 November, at the Adriatic Grill, all about the importance of Singapore,

a strategic ally and world trade center. The Corrigan's lived there in Singapore for 20 years.



On the receiving end of the MOWW Perpetual pin are CDR Corrigan (L), and Major Muri pinned by Lt Col Muri.

Making it official for our 2 new members is past VCINC John McConnel (R) with Dick Muri looking on.



Puget Sound registration table with Diane Gibson (L), CDR Mandigo, and MAJ Hogan working hard

Greeters Andy and Birgit Leneweaver making people feel welcome



Commander's Corner: December input by LTC Haskins



December starts out with a bang, the joint MOWW/MOAA Christmas party at the American Lake Conference Center, North Ft Lewis. The dinner/music/dance starts at 6pm and is highly recommended for fun and the Christmas spirit. December 12th is the Puget Sound Chapter's Pearl Harbor Remembrance meeting you won't want to miss. John Jensen will give a new perspective on the December 7th attack.

As in November, you will have a great lunch at the Adriatic Grill at Oakbrook, make sure you RSVP by the Monday before the 12th in order to have a seat. Now it is easier than ever to RSVP by clicking on the QR code on the first page of the Dispatch. This will take you to our new website and confirm your reservation. When you go to our website you will see an all-new look with tons of content, thanks to our website committee's work.

Thanks to Ed Murphy for leading an excellent November meeting while Heinz was getting some R and R. And, thanks to all for your generous contribution to Santa's Castle where youngsters will receive many presents of sports balls at Christmas.

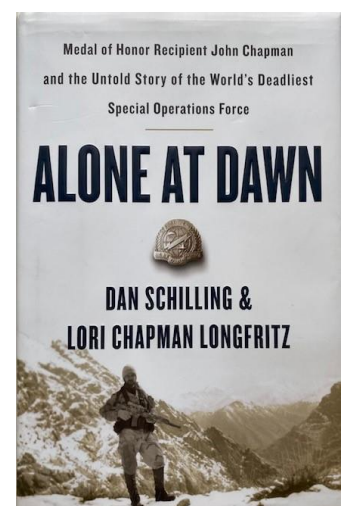
Of course, the main event in December is Christmas, which is everybody's favorite time of year. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Heinz

Book Reader

Medal of Honor recipient John Chapman and the untold story of the world's deadliest special operations force in Afghanistan is a chilling read. A long-overdue account, not just of one hero but an entire force of heroes during Operation Anaconda. Documenting Chapman's final mission, the authors re-create the blood-soaked, desperate battle in all its dramatic details. It is a story that will upset some and inspire many, but will leave no reader unchanged.

Alone at Dawn Dan Schilling and Lori Chapman Longfritz





Chapter Chaplain' s Notes— Chaplain Bill Johnson

Over the years many things have happened which we remember and which we do not want to forget. The month of December happens to be one of those times. Once you begin to remember the annual December events you will find them all very difficult to forget.

For instance, there is absolutely no way a Christian could substitute the high holy events leading up to the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ to some other occurrence. Let's face it the angels were reacting in a totally angelic way to the Holy Birth and the shepherds were doing exactly what you would expect considering what was occurring. The same story has been told for some 2000 years and no one has a legitimate complaint.

My own December remembrance has a different date that changes the total meaning of the event. On December 7th 1941 my whole family including Grandparents, Aunts and Uncles, mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, and cousins were all at worship at First Lutheran Church in Tacoma. The Japanese attack had been announced.

After the Service everyone was invited to my aunt and uncle's home in north Tacoma overlooking Puget Sound. When dinner was over the senior men were standing at the big window overlooking the Bay and discussing the Day's events and they could see a freighter at the Sperry Mill export dock and on the stern was a Japanese Flag. That's the end of story.

Coming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Outreach</u>	<u>Time/Date</u>
3 December	Christmas Party	Ft Lewis
12 December	Pearl Harbor Remembrance	1230 Oakbrook
9 January	Patriotic Education	1230 Oakbrook

Adjutant Angle: Great support for the Raffle last month. Keep it up! Last meeting, we started a new system, sign name on paper as you come in, put it on a table, saving your seat...then socialize! If we take our name tags home, and wear them each month, we can lighten the load for Keith Warren. Thank you, Birgit & Andy Leneweaver, for greeting companions.

Humor in Uniform: How do different military branches use stars?

The Army sleeps under the stars.

The Air Force navigates by the stars.

The Navy chooses its hotels by the stars.



HPM Major David Mummery, Canadian AF, TSA Officer

The United States Department of Homeland Security, DHS, is the U.S. federal executive department responsible for public security. Its stated missions involve anti-terrorism, border security, immigration, customs, cyber security, and disaster prevention and management.

While MOWW, Puget Sound Chapter, has had Homeland Security Briefings to include the Air Marshal Service and Air Defense, today's focus on air travel--which falls under the purview of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA). Therefore, we focus on TSA Seattle (SEA) and general TSA requirements.

TSA Mission - Protect the nation's transportation systems to ensure freedom of movement for people and commerce.

TSA Vision - An agile security agency, embodied by a professional workforce that engages its partners and the American people to outmatch a dynamic threat.

TSA Core Values - Integrity. Respect. Commitment.

TSA Workforce Expectations - Hard Work. Professionalism. Integrity.

TSA History - On the morning of September 11, 2001, nearly 3,000 people were killed in a series of coordinated terrorist attacks in New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia. The attacks resulted in the creation of the Transportation Security Administration, designed to prevent similar attacks in the future. Driven by a desire to help our nation, tens of thousands of people joined TSA and committed themselves to strengthening our transportation systems while ensuring the freedom of movement for people and commerce. The Aviation and Transportation Security Act, passed by the 107th Congress and signed on November 19, 2001, established TSA.

Now to focus on what TSA is to the traveling public. For most of us, TSA is the screening of passengers at US Airports and Seattle Tacoma International Airport (SEA) is our primary starting off point. SEA is operated by the Port of Seattle and TSA is responsible to the security of the travelling public. A quick internet search for **Obscure Prohibited Carry-On Items Not Allowed by the TSA** will serve you well but for the "honest" traveler Checkpoint carry-on luggage is what leads to problems. The most common items that will slow you down in security is liquids, aerosols and gels greater than 3.4 ounces or 100 ml (water bottles, shave cream, hair spray, anything that can be spread that is wet and needs its container to maintain its shape). Also, pocket knives, wine openers (they have a knife on the end), wrapped Christmas cheese cutting board and knife or the beautiful steak knife set that is wrapped still does NOT allow them on an aircraft. By all means pack any TSA permitted gift but place the wrapping paper and tape in your bag for later.



Today, there are many forms of screening and other layers designed to facilitate travel and increase security. However, for most of us its standard screening or PRECHECK. Common to both is the screening of bags using X-Ray technology – follow the advisements of the TSA Divesting Officer as you approach the screening area. If something SHOULD NOT be X-Rayed, let them know but remember - if you bring such an item, it will slow you, and others around you, down.



STANDARD SCREENING – Shoes off in a bin by themselves. Coats off. Pockets empty. Electronics (computer, e-readers, gaming systems notebooks etc.) single layer in a bin. Everything goes in a bin but do not over fill – the bin will enter the system and first encounter a lead-lined curtain that will sweep any light object (coat, hat scarf) out of the bin and it could result in TSA system damage and they would temporarily stop baggage screening. **STANDARD SCREENING EXEMPTIONS** – Passengers who have

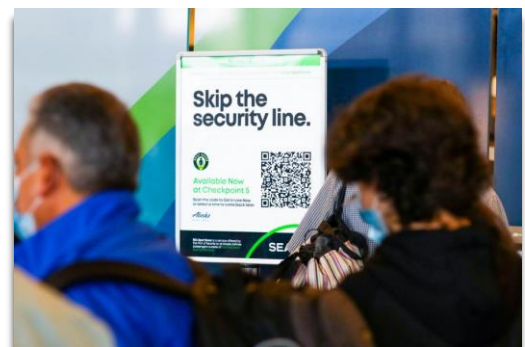
reached the age of 75 or older are exempt from removing their shoes. However, if a screening alarm is detected the shoes would need to be removed for screening (Metal shanks in shoes often cause an alarm).



PRECHECK SCREENING – A form of screening for vetted trusted travelers. If you are a PRECHECK traveler, your boarding pass (paper or electronic) will indicate PRECHECK – If there are no PRECHECK markings, arguing will not help, proceed to STANDARD SCREENING.

Skip the Security Line from 5 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Your time while traveling is important, let TSA help with SEA Spot Saver, a reservation program for TSA screening for passengers flying out of Seattle. Experience expedited screening without a membership and all contact-free. Schedule your appointment for screening beforehand or when you're at the terminal. SEA Spot Saver is only available to general screening passengers. See portseattle.org for more information.



Assistance for Veterans and Wounded Warriors



Injured, wounded service members, veterans and wounded warriors may contact TSA Cares to request assistance with the security screening process. TSA Cares is a helpline to assist travelers with disabilities and medical conditions. Call TSA Cares 72 hours prior to traveling with questions about screening policies, procedures and what to expect at the security checkpoint at (855) 787-2227. Veterans who are not enrolled in TSA PreCheck™ will be screened in standard screening lanes. Happy Travels.

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Memorials; MG Coffey

Vet Affairs: LTC Haskins

NWYLC: Gibson+CDR Mandigo

ROTC/JROTC: CDR Mandigo

Answer to November's Quiz: What to do now! Returning hero Blackjack Pershing was the talk of every town, newspaper, and kitchen table. He could have easily won the 1920 presidential race, but did not like politics and steered away from the nomination. As the Army's chief of staff, he presided over the disillusion of the 4-million-man army to a standing army of 100,000. Pershing preached vigilance and readiness—it was advice 2 American presidents later wished they had heeded.

Two relationships loomed large in the general's life after the war. One was Warren, his son, who lived with his aunt in Nebraska. Warren would visit his father during school vacations. The other great presence was Micheline Resco, living in Paris. She and the general kept up their correspondence, their love for each other undimmed by separation. He sent her monthly checks and brought her regularly to Washington DC, where she stayed in an apartment near him. The press circulated stories that the general was engaged to one socialite then another. Pershing was reported to have wedding plans with 23 different women.



Name 2 Army priorities during Pershing's time as Chief of Staff of the Army.

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Pershing Quiz