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American Revival 2021

The American Revival 2021 is an Outreach Program to remind every Citizen of the United States that America's Freedom has been sustained by the sacrifices and courage of our Veterans. It is an awakening to the core values of America, for all Americans. The Mission of the revival is to educate Americans of all ages, on the founding of our Country, by courageous Patriots, based on the principles of the United States and ordained as "One Nation Under God."

The American Revival is supported by a group of organizations who are concerned with the direction our country is headed. CJ Machado (March 2020 Guest speaker) and her associates have worked hard to make this effort a reality.

Below are several major events associated with the American Revival 2021.

LARGEST TRIBUTE OF 2021: WWII paratrooper, a Toccoa Original, Jim "Pee Wee" Martins 100th Birthday Jump Fest, will be held in Xenia, Ohio on April 22 - 25, 2021. This mass parachute drop will involve the Commemorative Air Force, 101st and 82nd Airborne Divisions and the U.S. Army Golden Knights Demonstration Team. The remaining "Screaming Eagles" that will be attending with Pee Wee Martin, are Dan McBride, Vincent Speranza (March 6' 2021 Guest Speaker), Tom Rice (August 8, 2020 Guest speaker), Bob Izumi. **This mass parachute drop will be part of the largest WWII re-enactment gathering of 2021.**

LARGEST Cross-Country Patriotic Motorcycle Ride: Honor Ride 2021 launches in San Diego, California, Mt. Soledad on May 15, 2021. WWII paratrooper Tom Rice who jumped into Normandy on D-Day will "Pass the Torch" to "Battle of the Bulge" veteran Vincent J. Speranza who was called in to replace D-Day losses. Speranza will lead the cross country patriotic motorcycle ride. Up to **100,000** motorcycles and **500,000** spectators will pay tribute to our fallen soldiers. Honor Ride 2021 is a collaborative effort to revive the Nation's spirit and to honor those who have served and sacrificed for our freedom.

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In addition, the Purple Foxes United character, LT William's "steel wings" will be traveling cross country and dog tag feathers will be attached to her steel wings representing the still 1585 MIA/POW from the Vietnam War. For more information visit: <https://purplefoxesunited.com/pow%2Fmia-wings>

Honor Ride is a collaborative effort with the Run for the Wall (RFTW) and Rolling to Remember organizations: *RFTW President and coordinator of the Midway Route, Les Williams, will also be attending the March 6th meeting for Q&A's.*

We are all asked to support three "Calls to Action." It is very important to act on each "Call to Action" and spread the word! *Prayers welcomed.*

1). **Watch and review Libertas** (Normandy Jump 2019). Bottom line, we need more reviews to be more effective and to attract larger platforms. **FREE** on Amazon Prime: <https://www.amazon.com/Libertas-Anniversary-D-Day-Tom-Rice/dp/B07YQ9S75D> (REVIEWS NEEDED and APPRECIATED)

2). **Pee Wee 100th Birthday e-card \$2.00.**

https://wandrvets.givecloud.co/product/JPMecard/birthday-card-for-a-toccoa-original-jim-pee-wee-martin-turning-100-please-fill-out-and-send-your-birthday-wishes?fbclid=IwAR3jdO9h8lhQF6iCZTYtvzZwPV_I1zPuD5EKy9atyjuGg0UuxugoooaQIXo

3). **Dog Tag sponsorship \$25,** <https://purplefoxesunited.com/shop-1>





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Commander's Corner



Dear Companions and Friends of the Chapter,

I am very proud, that the Holland Chapter is taking a significant role in supporting the American Revival 2021, organized by CJ Machado and her Associates. The Mission of the revival is to educate Americans of all ages, on the founding of our Country, by courageous Patriots, based on the principles of the United States and ordained as "One Nation Under God." Please read the front page article and decide if there is some part of the revival in which you may participate. Go on Amazon PRIME and download a Free copy of "Libertas" in support of CJ Machado. She needs more reviews to be more effective and to attract larger platforms.

Please take the time to call our older members and let them know that they are in our Thoughts and Prayers. Don Hershberger (Adjutant) is working on a way of allowing John Cantor (103 yrs. Old) to participate in our February General Meeting.

If you have any ideas to improve communications with our Companions and Friends of the Chapter, please contact myself (858-212-4335) or Don Hershberger (858-538-2513. Diane and I want to wish each and everyone of you and your family a most Happy and Loving Valentines Day, February 14, 2021.

"God Bless America"

Calendar of Events	Birthdays	
<p><u>General Meeting - Jan 2, 2021.</u> GSP-COL Christopher J. Douglas, USMCR</p> <p><u>Business Meeting - Jan 29, 2020.</u> Discuss - purchase of Challenge Coins and Flag pole,</p> <p><u>General Meeting - Feb 6, 2021, 2020.</u> GSP-LCOL Dave Worley, "Col Edwin and Nadine Ramsey</p> <p><u>Business Meeting-Feb 18, 2021.</u> Discus future ZOOM and In-person Meetings.....</p>	<p><u>January</u></p> <p>14th Andre LeCault</p> <p>18th Arnold Regardie</p> <p>27th Tom Morgan</p> <p>30th Rex Booher</p>	<p><u>February</u></p> <p>None</p>
Anniversaries		
	<p><u>January</u></p> <p>None</p>	<p><u>February</u></p> <p>1st Rex and Annette Booher</p>



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Perpetual Member - Bill LaBarge



Bill is a former Navy Carrier Pilot, Airline Captain, and a New York Times Bestselling Author. He is a member of the Writers Guild of America, National Bestselling Author of Aviation Book of the year, "Sweetwater Gunslinger 201," along with "Hornets Nest," "Road to Gold," and "Desert Voices." His latest book, "Lightning Strikes Twice," is being looked at for a feature film. He served as an advisor to the movies, *Final Countdown*, *Top Gun*, *Fire Fox*, and the TV series (*JAG*.)



IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF
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THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE WORLD WARS

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS,
KNOW YE THAT

LCDR WILLIAM H. LABARGE, USN (RET)

IS A PERPETUAL MEMBER OF THE
MILITARY ORDER OF THE WORLD WARS

EFFECTIVE THE 28TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2020.



ARTHUR B. MORRILL III
BRIGADIER GENERAL, USAF (RET)
CHIEF OF STAFF



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Perpetual Member - David Yorck



Lieutenant Colonel David Christian Yorck has remained very active with Military Veterans groups since his retirement from the United States Marine Corps. David has been an active Veteran's Advocate as the President of the California Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) and currently as the President of the Escondido Chapter, CA - 54. David is also a Perpetual Member (PM) of the BGEN JP Holland Chapter and has been a Guest Speaker for the Holland Chapter.



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USMC (Ret)

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EFFECTIVE THE 20th DAY OF DECEMBER 2020

ARTHUR B. MORRILL III
BRIGADIER GENERAL, USAF (RET)
CHIEF OF STAFF





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Guest Speaker January 2, 2021



COLONEL CHRISTOPHER J. DOUGLAS, USMCR

Colonel Douglas is currently assigned to United States Marine Forces Central Command as the Assistant Chief of Staff G - 5. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Communication from Marist College in 1990, where he played Division III football. From March 1985 to June 1991, he served in the U.S. Army Reserve as a combat engineer with Company C, 854th Engineer Battalion. In 1991, he completed the Marine Corps Officer Candidate School, The Basic School and Infantry Officer Course in Quantico, Virginia. He was then assigned to 3d Battalion, 6th Marines where he commanded three platoons, was an executive officer and the 3/6 battalion adjutant. During this tour he participated in Operation BATTLE GRIFFIN in Norway and served as part of the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit in Operations CONTINUE HOPE in Somalia, PROVIDE PROMISE and DENY FLIGHT in the Adriatic Sea and SUPPORT DEMOCRACY in Haiti.

In 1995, he transitioned from active military service to the United States Marine Corps Reserve. He was assigned to Company F, 2d Battalion, 25th Marines, where he served as a platoon commander from 1995 to 1997. In 1997, he was assigned to The Basic School in Quantico, Virginia, where he served as a warfighting instructor until 2001. In 2001, he assumed command of Company F, 2d Battalion, 25th Marines. As a company commander, he was recalled to active duty in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM and ordered to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, until December 2002. He then deployed as the commanding officer of Company F in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM, conducting combat operations and ongoing security operations in and around the city of An Nasiriyah, Iraq.

In December 2003, he relinquished command of Company F to serve as the operations officer of 2d Battalion, 25th Marines. He was again recalled to active duty as the commander of Company K, 3d Battalion, 25th Marines. Company K deployed to Iraq in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM and conducted counter-insurgency operations in Al Anbar Province. In March 2006, he relinquished command of Company K to attend the Command and Staff seminar, a year-long professional military education program. In October 2006, he was requested to reassume command of Company K, 3d Battalion, 25th Marines, and participated in Exercise TALISMAN SABER 2007 in Australia. He relinquished command of Company K in August 2007 and assumed duties as the executive officer of 1st Battalion, 25th Marines.

In September 2008, he was assigned to the operations section at 25th Marine Regimental Headquarters. From November 2009 until November 2012, he served as the battalion commander of 1st Battalion, 24th Marines. He was then assigned to 4th MARDIV G-3. In March 2013, he was selected to assume duties as the senior advisor for the 2nd Brigade, 215th Corps, Afghan National Army, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. Upon his return he was assigned to II MEF, Expeditionary Operations Training Group (EOTG) to facilitate the transition of Advisor Training Skills. He was selected as the Senior Leader for 23D Marines in September of 2014. In July 2015 he deployed as the Advisor Team Leader for Team Manion and Task Force Commander for TF Taqaddum in Al Anbar Province, Iraq in support of Operation INHERENT RESOLVE. He was assigned as the G-3 in Fourth Marine Division until his assignment to Task Force South West as the Team Police Team Leader for the 505th Zone in support of Operation FREEDOMS SENTINEL and Operation RESOLUTE SUPPORT. He assumed command of Marine Corps Advise and Assist Company B, (MCAC B), in April 2019 until he assumed the duties as the US MARCENT AC/S G-5 in October 2020. He completed the Air War College Distance Education Program in September 2019.

His personal awards include Legion of Merit, Bronze Star (2), Combat Action Ribbon (2), Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal (2), Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V" and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. He currently resides with his wife Susan and their son John Britian.

Col CJ Douglas, USMC, is currently on active duty, as the future operations planner for the Marine forces in the Middle East. He will talk about his experiences as an advisor in Iraq and Afghanistan and the future direction of the Marine Corps.



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Guest Speaker February 6, 2021



LIEUTENANT COLONEL DAVID J. WORLEY
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, RETIRED

Lieutenant Colonel David J. Worley served for over 27 years in the Air Force. He received his commission through the Air Force's Officer Training School program in 1983 after having served as

an enlisted Air Traffic Controller for nearly eight years: as a commissioned officer Lieutenant Colonel Worley served as an Air Battle Manager. After his military retirement, Lieutenant Colonel Worley served for over fourteen years as the Senior Aerospace Science Instructor (AFJROTC) at Crescenta

Valley High School, La Crescenta, California. Lieutenant Colonel Worley is an active member of American Legion Post 288 in La Crescenta, California, and serves as a local Chapter Commander

with the Military Order of the World Wars. He and his wife Gayle have two children and two grandchildren.

Lieutenant Colonel Edwin P. Ramsey, United States Army, and his sister, Nadine B. Ramsey, grew-up in the heartland of America, eventually serving their country during World War Two under completely different circumstances, yet becoming heroes through their extraordinary and selfless efforts. At the start of the war, Lieutenant Colonel Ramsey served in the Philippines and led the United States Army's last known calvary charge in history just before the fall of Bataan, then escaping Japanese capture and becoming a guerilla fighter in the Filipino jungles for three years before the Philippines were eventually liberated. Nadine Ramsey had a passion for flying, earning her pilot wings at a fairly young age, then during the war becoming a charter member of Jackie Cochran's Women's Flying Training Detachment (WFTD) which eventually became the Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) program. Nadine Ramsey was one of only 134 WASP pilots qualified to ferry pursuit aircraft within the United States such as the P-47 and the P-51.

The presentation by Lieutenant Colonel David J. Worley, United States Air Force (Retired) will bring to light this amazing account of two siblings who were two totally different personalities yet part of America's story of World War Two bravery and heroism.



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Guest Speaker March 6, 2021



Vincent J. Speranza

Vince was born March 23, 1925 to Frank and Frances Speranza in the Hell's Kitchen neighborhood of Manhattan, New York. He grew up on Staten Island in a large and extended Italian family during the Great Depression. After graduating high school, he was drafted into the United States Army on October 25, 1943 and officially entered the service on November 15, 1943. He was sent to Camp Upton in New York where he stayed until he was sent to Fort Benning, Georgia to train with the 87th Infantry Division. He volunteered for the Parachute Infantry and was sent back to Fort Benning for further training. Then, he was sent overseas with Company H, 3rd Battalion, 501st Parachute Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division from Camp Shanks on board the Queen Mary.

His unit arrived in France and he would later fight in the "Battle of the Bulge," December 1944. He engaged in his first firefight against German forces in freezing temperatures. That year, was the coldest winter in decades. Vincent was a machine gunner during the historic battle, earning him the nickname "Curse and Traverse" Speranza. The "Battle of the Bulge" resulted in the highest number of casualties of any operation during WWII.

His awards include: Fourragere, Combat Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge, Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Army Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with 2 Stars, World War II Victory Medal, French Croix de Guerre, Legion of Honour, Presidential Unit Citation with Oak leaf cluster. Vince returned home and married Iva Leftwich in 1948. They would go on to have two daughters and a son. Iva passed away on March 6, 2017. Speranza taught U.S. history in the New York City schools for over twenty years until he retired in Auburn, Illinois.

Today, Vincent travels all around the world sharing his war stories in hopes of reminding citizens of the value of freedom and the importance of leadership under adversity. In May 2021, Speranza will lead the Honor Ride, a cross-country tribute to all service members. Speranza and Super Hero character LT Williams' POW/MIA steel wings from the Purple Foxes United story will be escorted by *The Run for The Wall* and *Rolling To Remember* organizers to the Vietnam Wall in Washington, DC. After Speranza pays his respects to our fallen Vietnam War veterans, he will "Pass the Torch" to the next generation of veterans at the Wall on Terror in Marseilles, Illinois.

The "Pass the Torch" project and documentary is sponsored by PRAESIDUS, the creators of "The Battle of the Bulge" commemorative watch honoring Vincent J. Speranza's service.

To learn more about Speranza's memories of the war, you can read them in his book called NUTS! available on Amazon: <https://www.amazon.com/Airborne-Division-Machine-Gunner-Bastogne/dp/1941165516>



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Chaplain's Corner



**HAPPY, PROSPEROUS
AND
PEACEFUL NEW YEAR**



As we proceed through the first months of the year 2021, remembering the challenges we experienced in 2020, we pray that God will see us through it. We are blessed to be citizens of a nation in which we can choose our leaders and religion and have the God Given Rights to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness.

Due to the COVID crisis we have had limited contact with our families, friends and loved ones, during this holiday season. As we proceed through this year, keep in mind: We are a "United" Nation not a "Divided" nation.

May God bless my fellow MOWW Companions and Friends of the Holland Chapter, throughout 2021. I pray for our most Senior Companions (John Cantor, Royce Williams, Arnold Regardie, Eileen Baum, Earl Wentworth) that God will protect and keep them in Joy and Happiness. May God also watch over John Cantor's wife Lois.

Carl Swepston,

MOWW Holland Chapter Chaplain