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Massing of the Colors and Service Of Remembrance

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This year's Massing of the Colors was produced by the San Diego Chapter of the MOWW. Chapter Commander Ted Parson was the Master of Ceremony and impetus behind the superb gathering of Color Guard Units from the Military, JROTC, Veteran Groups, Civilian and local organizations. Past CINC Captain Debbie Kash was the official photographer and greeter for the event. This year the MOC was held on Saturday, October 13, th at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion in Balboa Park, from 1030am - 1130am. The Guest Speaker was CAPT Sheldon Margolis, USN (Ret.). Captain Margolis is the President and CEO of the Veteran's Museum in Balboa Park,



Orange Glen NJROTC Color Guard, lead by Unit Commander, LCDR Freddie Amos, was present, to carry the Holland Chapter Flag. Our gratitude and respect goes out to the young men and women of the OGHs. NJROTC.

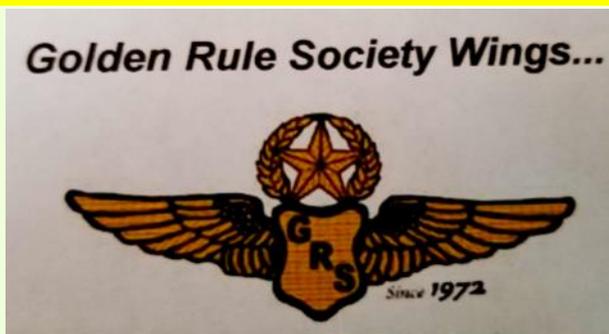


For the Good of the Order

Captain Len Kaine

Presents Golden Rule Society Wings to

LCDR Nick Herbka



Captain Len Kaine, USN-Retired, Founder & President

Presented to LCDR Nick Herbka, USN (Ret)

Your GRS Wings are the sign of your dedication to living the Golden Rule...

“Treat others the way you want to be treated...

Truthfully with Dignity and Respect.”

While wearing your GRS Wings, live the Golden Rule Society’s philosophy...

“To better the lives of others is your life’s greatest reward, which

Makes the rest of your life the best of your life.”

Your GRS Wings are a constant reminder...”**Have Faith, Hope and Courage.”**



Dear Nick, wear your wings in good health. GBY & Diane now & always.

Sincerely & Respectfully, Len Kaine



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Commander's Corner



Dear Companions and Friends of the Chapter

[We have a wonderful opportunity](#) to support one of the tenants of our Preamble - Patriotic Education, on November 9, 2018, 0830 - 1130, at the El Camino High School. El Camino High School has honored our veterans for the last 25 years with a beautiful Patriotic Program, performed by the students. The school band and choir play and sing beautiful and patriotic compositions which you will not forget, long after the day is over. The highlight of the celebration though, comes afterwards, in the various classrooms throughout the school. Veterans, individually or as two person teams, speak to students in their classrooms, during two different periods, that morning. The students are bright, respectful, and most interested in what we have to tell them. In today's society and schools, it is imperative that we take this opportunity and responsibility to pass on to these young men and women, the love of country and respect for military service we have, ourselves, experienced and learned. We, as experienced and wiser human beings, and have many more thoughts and ideas, to inspire these young men and women, who will soon become our future leaders. When the day is done and we sit together and enjoy a superb lunch provided by the school, we will smile and remember the things we said and the many students we talked to. It is then that we understand the importance of what we have participated in that morning. This program was founded by the two founders of this program that has been going on for 25 consecutive years. The names of these true Patriots are Bob Nelson and Jim Downs. I will present a plaque of Appreciation to Eileen Frazier, the school principal, in honor of these two men, **“For their dedication in honoring our Veterans and bringing history alive for our students here at ECHS, we are proud to honor our Founders, Jim Downs and Bob Nelson, in celebrating Veterans Day for the past 25 consecutive years, the longest tenure in all of San Diego County.”**

Calendar of Events

General Meeting November 3rd, GSP-Mark Carlson - Where did they go! Battle of Midway

General Meeting December 1st,

4th Annual Joint Chapter Christmas Party - Bernardo Heights CC.

Business Meeting-Nov 7th, IHOP RB 0930

Birthdays



November

- 6th Dave Piontek
- 9th Earl Wentworth
- 23rd Carl Swepston
- 25th Dorene LeCault
- 25 Charles Ham

December

- 11th Gary Linden
- 16th Tom Lettington
- 19th Jerry Hetherington
- 30th Jessica O'Brien
- 30th Diane Hirnwing

Anniversaries

November

None

December

None



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Guest Speaker November 3, 2018

Mark Carlson



Mark Carlson is a local aviation and military historian with more than two hundred published articles and three popular books to his credit. His specialty has always been the Pacific War, which led him to the topic he will be presenting for the MOWW in November.

“Which way did they go?”

During the pivotal and desperate Battle of Midway in June 1942, three American carriers launched a full-scale air attack on the four carriers of the Imperial Japanese Navy. Of the more than 130 planes that were hurled against the enemy fleet, scores of torpedo plane crews were killed in doomed attacks. Then the dive bombers, which arrived over the enemy fleet at precisely the right moment, rained near-total destruction on the helpless Japanese ships. In five minutes the Japanese hopes of conquest in the Pacific War were crushed.

But one entire American dive bomber squadron failed to arrive and missed the opportunity to add the weight of destruction to the enemy. *USS Hornet's* dive bombers never showed up. They took off at the same time and took the same course, but failed to find the Japanese fleet. Thus the last carrier, *Hiryu* was left untouched to attack and sink the *USS Yorktown*.

Now you will learn the real reason why they missed the boat.



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Guest Speaker January 5, 20189

John Shu

John Shu is an Attorney and Expert on political issues, Constitutional Law, and the Courts.



He is a regular columnist and media analyst and commentator. He served both President George H.W. Bush and President George W. Bush. He also served Judge Paul Roney, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit and Presiding Judge of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court of Review; and Judge Stanley Sporkin, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, who was CIA General Counsel. Mr. Shu also served as Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of the National Association of Administrative Law Judiciary. He is a member of the Pacific Council on International Policy, the Foreign Policy Association, and the National Committee on U. S. – China Relations.

Mr. Shu will talk about the history of the Supreme Court nomination process, and will discuss cases that he was involved in over the last 25 years.



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Guest Speaker February 2, 2019

Christina Olds



In 2010, Christina Olds published a memoir of her father's life titled ***Fighter Pilot; The Memoirs of a Legendary Ace Robin Olds***. The book became a national bestseller, heralded by reviewers and readers as an exceptionally literary and lyrical biography. Christina has begun work on a screenplay for FIGHTER PILOT, and is working on a second book, the story of her grandfather, Maj. Gen. Robert Olds, an instrumental leader in the development of early air power and the U.S. Air Force. A Vassar College graduate with a degree in creative writing, Christina is a sought-after speaker at Air Force and NATO bases, aviation museums and air shows, both nationally and abroad, and is dedicated to furthering her father's legacy to

inspire today's active duty fighter pilots around the world. She lives in Sacramento, CA and is the mother of a beautiful daughter, Jennifer Olds Newman, a costume designer in Los Angeles.

“Christina Olds is one of the most dynamic, charismatic, powerful presenters we have asked to speak at any Warhawk Air Museum event. Her articulate, emotional, truthful, loving presentation of her father's life brings him into the room and gives everyone listening a very personal feeling toward a true American hero. Christina's public speaking is a true gift which she generously shares all over the world.” Sue Paul, Executive Director, Warhawk Air Museum, Nampa, ID



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Guest Speaker March 2, 2019

Professor Bill Weeks

William E. Weeks has been teaching American History at San Diego State University since 1984. He received his PhD in 1986 in American History from UCSD, where he studied under Armin Rappaport. He specializes in antebellum US American Foreign Relations. His publications include *John Quincy Adams and American Global Empire* (1992) and *Dimensions of the Early American Empire, 1754-1865* (2013). His current professional focus involves developing writing seminars for Iraq and Afghan war veterans.

Education

Ph.D., American History, University of California, San Diego, December 1986

M.A., American History, University of California, San Diego, June 1982

BA, History, University of California, San Diego, June 1980

From the Shanghai Communique to a New Cold War: 50 Years (Nearly) of Sino-American Relations

Vice President Mike Pence's recent address to the Hudson Institute was widely seen as a de facto declaration of a new cold war with The People's Republic of China. Be it Chinese maritime expansionism in the South China Sea, the rampant theft of intellectual property from the US, enormous trade deficits driven in part by unfair trading practices, or the cultural infiltration of higher education via "Confucius Institutes," a consensus appears to be taking shape that China needs to be confronted as an enemy, not conciliated as an ally. Yet from the time of President Nixon's "opening" of Sino-American relations in the early 1970s until quite recently, elite opinion was overwhelmingly in favor of closer bi-national ties amid confident predictions that the Chinese would be responsible members of the emerging globalist community. Those predictions appear to have been incorrect.

This talk will provide a brief overview of the major turning points of Sino-American relations since 1972 and attempt to suggest how and why so many experts were so wrong on such a big question. The talk will conclude with some observations about where things may be going from here.



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Holland Chapter Presents Plaque of Appreciation

to

Dave Brooks



Holland Chapter Commander, LCDR Nick Herbka, USN (Ret), presents the MOWW Plaque of Appreciation to Mr. Dave Brooks, who is the President of the Spirit of the 4th Committee of Rancho Bernardo California.





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Pictures from the September 1st Meeting





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Pictures from October 6th Meeting





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Joint Christmas Party December 1, 2018

Military Order of the World Wars
4th Annual Joint Chapter
Christmas Party

Hosted by the BGEN J. P. Holland Chapter

In conjunction with the

San Diego and Camp Pendleton Chapters

December 1, 2018

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

At

The Bernardo Heights Country club

Plated Lunch

Entertainment by Alfonso the Magician

www.themagicofalfonso.com

Cost - \$30.00

Silent Auction to support SDYLC
(Donate a basket to auction off)

Raffle - to Support Holland Chapter YLC Candidates
(Donate items, gift Cards, Wine and Spirits)

Bring an Unwrapped toy for the Marine Corps Children's
Christmas Gift Drive





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Letter of Appreciation September 1, 2018



Letter of Appreciation

Presented to

Captain Len Kaine

The Companions and Guests of the General J. P. Holland Chapter sincerely thank you for sharing your most informative and passionate story on the conduct of the Vietnam War. Your Heartfelt presentation was most enjoyed. We wish you the very Best in your future endeavors.

"Fair Winds and Following Seas"

September 1, 2018

Nicholas S. Herbka

Gen. JP Holland Chapter Commander



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Letter of Appreciation October 6, 2018



Letter of Appreciation

Presented to

Colonel Vic Vizcarra

The Companions and Guests of the General J. P. Holland Chapter sincerely thank you for sharing your story of the "Spring High," the United States response to the first North Vietnamese surface to air missiles (SAMs) attack. We were most intrigued by your insight and delivery of this most informative and enjoyable presentation. We wish you the very Best in your future endeavors.

"Fair Winds and Following Seas"

October 6, 2018

Nicholas S. Herbka

Gen. JP Holland Chapter Commander



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Veterans Celebration November 9, 2018

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10/10/2018

Dear United States Military Veteran,

El Camino High School invites you to participate in our 25th Annual Veterans Day Program. We are proud to have the longest tenure of celebrating this event in all of San Diego County thanks to our founders, Jim Downs and Bob Nelson. Our celebration this year falls on a Friday, November 9th (the Veterans Day holiday is celebrated on Monday, November 12th and the actual Veterans Day is always Nov. 11th).

In the past, your presence on our campus has been educational as well as inspiring. The historical information that you share helps our students prepare for an uncertain future. This year, our theme will be Camp Pendleton, as the "Home of the Marines" recently celebrated its 75th Anniversary. We will have a short presentation about our neighboring Marine base during the Assembly lead by Guest Speaker and former Commanding Officer, retired General John W. Bullard. General Bullard's wife teaches science at our high school, ECHS.

The events you experienced and share can have a tremendous effect on how students of today, all born after the end of the Cold War, view US History.

We would like to invite you to participate in our first hour general assembly at 8:30am. 500 students and approximately seventy-five or more veterans will be in attendance. We will be entertained by the El Camino Band, Dance, Choir, and ROTC. Those who wish may participate in panel discussions in classes for two separate one-hour classes after the main program. Then, a complimentary lunch will be served to all attendees. You are welcomed to bring your spouse.

If you have any questions, or know of other people you feel we should invite, please contact Joe Gonzales at (760) 729-0351. Please respond to this letter by checking below and mail the response promptly or e-mail the address above. Feel free to attach a short BIO of your service as we will try to use it in the classroom panel discussions or fill out the enclosed worksheet.

Much Respect,

Thomas E. Voris

Tom Voris
Social Science Teacher
Veteran, US Army

I will attend
 My Spouse will accompany me
 Stay for lunch

I will participate in the panel discussions
 I will not participate in panel discussions

*Please let me know if you will attend this wonderful event, by the November 3rd Meeting. I also have room for five persons to ride with me in my SUV. You may call me at 858-212-4335 to arrange for a ride.
Nick*



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Chaplain's Corner



Carl Swepston, Navy SEAL, LT USN (Ret)

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The LORD is my Shepherd

“Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for thou art with me thy rod and thy staff they comfort me....”



LT Carl Swepston -
Vietnam

As I read the above bible verse it reminds me of my thoughts as I prepared to go into battle during the Vietnam War. I remember holding my M16 weapon in my role as the “Point Man” for a 7 man Navy SEAL patrol. When time would permit, on our way to our objective, I would repeat this verse under my breath. I found the 10-15 minute helicopter or boat ride to our objectives were often quite emotionally challenging. Having faith in my teammates as well as my LORD was quite comforting. Although, we are not in harms way today as we were in battle, I truly believe we need to maintain our faith. As I drive on the freeways today, I sometimes feel, truly at risk due to other driver's actions and attitudes. May GOD be with my fellow companions as we progress through our somewhat challenging times.