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*Greetings to all USAWC graduates and friends of the Foundation!*

Our Foundation Board met near Ft. Meade, Maryland in March 2023 for a productive meeting and a follow-on tour at the National Security Agency/Cyber Command. A major highlight of our meeting was hosting our first regional Alumni Dinner since COVID. You can read more about that fun and successful gathering on page 6.

Here's a photo of our Board members in March at our hotel in Hanover, Maryland.



One of the most significant results of our March meeting is that our Trustees approved funding for the proposed Alumni Park and Hall, subject to U.S. Army agreement, which we are seeking in the coming months. Our architect has made great progress designing this and preparing the documents we need to obtain approval. We know that the class graduation plaques and stained glass windows are important to you and all graduates, and we are committed to this project and will keep you posted.

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## OUR MISSION

To support the U.S. Army War College and its graduates in the preparation of outstanding senior leaders by

**ENRICHING** the academic environment,  
**ENHANCING** outreach and events, and  
**ENCOURAGING** alumni connections.

We also elected two new Trustees who will join us at our September meeting in Carlisle. Please welcome **Mr. Bill Pinsky, NSS '22**, and **COL (Ret) Vivian Gaz, DDE '16**.



The big news for the entire College is that the new academic building is now occupied and AY24 is underway. The Foundation is proud to have contributed \$2.2M to the College's *margin of excellence* needs pertaining to the Innovation Hub and a digital communications venue in the central atrium of the building. The Foundation offices and Gift Shop have moved, as well, and the process of "settling in" is underway.

Please see our tributes on the back cover to **LTG (Ret) Dick Trefry, RES '69** and **LTG (Ret) Tom Rhame, RES '81** who both recently passed away. They each held top leadership roles in our Foundation for a decade or more. Dick Trefry was the President of the Alumni Association and was instrumental in its successful merger with the Foundation, creating the strong organization we have today. Tom Rhame took the merged organization to new levels as Chairman of the Board and enabled it to reach unprecedented goals in its support to the College.

You can count on us to continue supporting the educational programs that you are familiar with throughout the College. I look forward to sharing updates with you at every opportunity.

**LTG (Ret) Roger C. Schultz, RES '92,**  
*Chairman of the Board*



As always, thanks to the College's PAO and Photo Lab for their many courtesy photos. Special thanks to K. Scott Finger, Photo Lab Director, Liz Bukowski, and Amanda Zeiders.

# U.S. ARMY WAR COLLEGE COMMANDANT'S UPDATE

*Dear Alumni,*

Change is inevitable, and the U.S. Army War College is in the midst of it right now. After 1,215 days of construction, we have finally occupied the impressive 201,000-square-foot facility you see on the cover. Our transition to the new Root Hall isn't just a relocation; it's a testament to the Army's belief in our mission to be the leading institution in developing defense leaders and the foremost authority on strategic Landpower.

The resources devoted to our new facility provide for innovative learning spaces that genuinely set it apart and underscore our vision for the College's future. With 24 seminar rooms and many other spaces tailored for interactive and collaborative learning, it is clear that Root Hall is dedicated to student excellence. Empowered by our world-class faculty and staff, this inspirational educational environment will enable the rich and productive discussions and exploration of deeper insights that are so necessary for shaping thought leadership.

During this last busy year of construction, both our resident and non-resident programs have achieved noteworthy milestones. With over 720 students graduating this year from those two programs alone, our influence in molding the future of defense leadership remains evident. Each diploma conferred signifies a renewed commitment to strengthen and promote our nation's defense.



GEN James E. Rainey, CG, Futures Command, was the graduation speaker for the Resident Class of 2023 and congratulated COL Fran Taylor, Class President, as she received her diploma on June 9, 2023.



Ms. Susan Eisenhower, noted national security expert, was the graduation speaker for the Distance Class of 2023 and congratulated LTC Matthew Bialy as he received his diploma on July 28, 2023.

But our mission doesn't begin or end with teaching. Our research and our collaboration across the entire defense and national security communities of practice, nationally and internationally, place us in daily positions to make significant contributions to the nation and our Allies. Every school, center, institute, and program across the College has been achieving amazing results with their individual and group research, conferences, and leadership engagements that continually shape the global defense perspectives and capabilities. You'll read about many of them in this magazine and in the multiple communications that are linked to the U.S. Army War College homepage and to War Room, Decisive Point, and so many great and informative sites.

We are also helping confront immediate challenges, such as the nation's recruitment challenge. This year's National Security Seminar tackled "Building Tomorrow's Army," which wasn't just a theme; it was a mission. That seminar and the Commandant's National Security Program brought over 220 influencers to the College from a cross-section of society and all regions of the country. These two College programs are among the dozens that interface internally and externally to create a vibrant hub for exchanging ideas and fostering collaboration, then spreading knowledge into new communities about military contributions to society. We delved deep into actionable strategies with programs like the International Security Crisis Negotiation Exercise and the Eisenhower Series College Program, both conducted at colleges and universities across the U.S. Most notably this year, we created the Civil-Military Relations Center and sponsored our first conference with the theme, "Military and Society: The All-Volunteer Force Turns 50."

As USAWC graduates with profound understanding of collective sacrifice and consequence, your role in the nation's future is indispensable. The College's role in preparation of future senior leaders to tackle the uncertainties of the future is also clear and compelling, so every decision, every program, and every initiative is geared towards this goal of preparing leaders for tomorrow.

As I reflect on my tenure as your 53rd Commandant, I am struck by the dedication, passion, and commitment I see around me every day and it reinforces to me that we are shaping the future. The College's history is rich and storied in how it has prepared future leaders for over 120 years to see challenges, face adversities, and emerge stronger to elevate the security of our nation and those of our Allies. I am comfortable and proud that we are equipping our students with the knowledge and the vision to see beyond the horizon – to address the landscape of defense and strategy as it evolves and to find solutions for new challenges as they emerge.

Thank you for being a part of the Army War College legacy and future. As I write this, I'm uncertain as to when I will depart for my next assignment, but I have no uncertainty whatsoever about the privilege I experience every day serving here. An added privilege is being the Commandant who sees the new academic building completed, after many Commandants before me who made it happen over years of design, funding, and construction, and I do not take that for granted. The Army's continued investment in the education of leaders for tomorrow is real, and we will keep you informed about opportunities to visit when the finishing touches are made. My best to you, always!

*Strength and Wisdom!!*

*MG Dave Hill*

53<sup>rd</sup> Commandant, USAWC



MG and Mrs. Hill with CSM and Mrs. Gregory in the grandstands of Indian Field.



# KEY LEADER TRANSITIONS

In our last magazine, we said good-bye and hello to several USAWC Command Group leaders. Our Deputy Commandant, COL Kimo Gallahue, RES '11 retired and was replaced by COL Jake Larkowich, USAWCF '19, and CSM Brian Flom was replaced by CSM Chuck Gregory.

## Farewell to our Second Provost

This summer, additional transitions have occurred and we want to highlight them for you. **Dr. James G. 'Jim' Breckenridge** retired in early July after six years as Provost of the College. When introducing himself even after all these years, he would clarify that being Provost meant that he was the “Chief Academic Officer” of the College, realizing how many military personnel might confuse the term with “Provost Marshal.” Dr. Breckenridge’s great sense of humor and positive approach were bonuses throughout his tenure as he applied his extensive expertise integrating academic resources across the College. He always had the strategic view when it came to unscrambling complexities and then re-scrambling them to achieve focus and excel where needed. He deserves tremendous credit for the open and flexible design of the new academic building. Jim and his wife Missy (also Dr. Breckenridge) were incredible members of the USAWC community and they will be greatly missed.



## Message from the New Provost

I am excited to start work as the third Provost of the College. A special note of thanks to all the staff, faculty, and students that I have worked with over all these years. You make this a great place to learn, live, and work.

This will be a memorable year. We are changing out many of our senior leaders, standing up a center for the study of Chinese landpower, updating programs, going through Joint Staff certification of our senior service college curricula, and occupying a new academic facility. These transitions provide the USAWC an opportunity to introspectively examine what we do and how we do it, helping us become an institution of choice.

The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Mark Milley, recently wrote an article in which he asserts that our nation is at a strategic inflection point while witnessing an unprecedented fundamental change in the character of war. Regional conflicts in Europe and the Nagorno-Karabakh region illustrate this change. The USAWC must continue to

explore new ways to educate strategic leaders and conduct impactful research that is of value to the Army and Joint Force if we are to keep pace with the ever-changing international security environment.

The USAWC is a remarkable institution which provides a unique set of capabilities to our nation. We are continuing to refine options for delivering assessment-informed tailorable education for our students while also examining how we can better coordinate the various research capabilities across the College. The school, centers, institutes, and programs of the USAWC are uniquely poised to explore strategic issues from the lens of past, present, and future.

I do have a few goals as Provost. The first is to get us thinking of USAWC as a campus. The move to our new academic facility located next to our Center for Strategic Leadership provides us opportunities to rethink the use of space. This will be a significant change in mindset. In the old Root Hall, learning mainly occurred within the seminar rooms. Now, learning can start from the moment a student steps foot on the campus. A

plethora of outdoor and indoor collaborative spaces, easy access to spaces designed for classified discussions, and an innovation laboratory made possible by the Army War College Foundation all provide opportunities never seen before at Carlisle Barracks.

We are also working to ensure that the USAWC is a place where students, staff, and faculty feel safe, enjoy their jobs, and see a path for personal and professional advancement.

Finally, we have a cross-organizational working group exploring the subjects of artificial intelligence and data literacy. These emerging topics have the potential for tremendous impact on our profession.

Thanks again to all in our great USAWC community.

*All the Best,*  
**Dave Dworak, RES '06**  
**Provost**



## Deputy Commandant for Reserve Affairs

After three years serving as Deputy Commandant for Reserve Affairs (and dual hatted as Commander of the Maryland Army National Guard), **MG Janeen L. Birckhead, DDE '13** became the 31st Adjutant General of Maryland in April. She was also inducted into the Maryland Women’s Hall of Fame in March 2023 by the Maryland Commission for Women. She is shown here being congratulated by Maryland Governor Wes Moore and Lt. Gov. Aruna Miller.



Welcome to **BG Robin B. Stilwell, DDE '16**, South Carolina Army National Guard, who is now the USAWC Deputy Commandant for Reserve Affairs. In his civilian career, BG Stilwell was a Circuit Court Judge for the State of South Carolina, where he remains in an Active Retired status.



# KEY LEADER AND FACULTY TRANSITIONS

## Deputy Chief of Staff



COL (Ret) Tim Keasling, RES '05 replaced COL (Ret) Keith Norris, RES '00 as Deputy Chief of Staff when Keith retired this March.

## Chief of Staff



COL Lance D. Oskey, RES '15, retired as Chief of Staff in early June and was replaced by COL Frederick J. Toti, RES '18. Fred's photo is below as he officiated the retirement of COL Fred Gellert.



COL Fred Toti, RES '18, Chief of Staff

COL (Ret) Fred Gellert, RES '08 joined the faculty in 2012 and retired in July 2023. He came first to the teaching faculty of the Department of Command, Leadership, and Management and held several positions, notably Director of Force Management and Professor of Resource Management. He helped conduct the Defense Enterprise Management program and curriculum, and worked tirelessly to add science and futures to academic programs. He was selected for the Center for Strategic Leadership position as Professor of Science and Technology in 2019 and broadened the impact he had across the College. If you ever met Fred, you know personally how he advocated for the College and its students, while also maintaining his 24/7 schedule as a Scout leader, Rotarian, Jim Thorpe Skeet Coach, and so much more. And yes, Fred's farewell social was at the Tiki Bar, with drinks on Fred and Donna!

## Long-time Faculty Members



Dr. (COL, Ret) Kevin J. Weddle, RES '99, retired this summer after USAWC service since July 2001. Prior to selection to his most current position in October 2007 as Professor of Military Theory and Strategy in the Department of Distance Education, he was Director of Theater Strategy in the Department of Military Strategy and Operations (DMSPO), then Director of the Advanced Strategic Art Program; and then Deputy Dean of Academics. He has held the Elihu Root Chair of Military Studies and the General Maxwell Taylor Chair of the Profession of Arms. He has been an influential teacher-scholar and leader, author, mentor, staff ride leader, friend, and colleague. Please see page 27 to read about the incredible honor Kevin recently received for his latest book.



Prof. (COL, Ret) John M. Tisson, RES '04 joined the faculty in the Department of Command, Leadership, and Management (DCLM) in July 2007, and then served from 2008-2011 as DCLM Department Chair. Upon retiring from active duty, John moved into a new leadership position and flawlessly executed the Senior Leader Feedback Program for over 12 years. Hundreds of Resident and Distance students, plus USAWC Fellows, have benefitted from John's counsel. He retired as the Professor of Strategic Leader Development in March 2023 but he and his wife, Becky, remain active members of the USAWC and Carlisle community.



Prof. William 'Trey' Braun, RES '03 began his faculty tenure with the Strategic Studies Institute (SSI), where he served since 2009, initially as the Deputy Director of the SSI, and then as a Professor of Practice for National Strategy and Policy Analysis. He utilized his great experience and moved in 2022 into a teaching position with the Department of Command, Leadership, and Management and contributed there as Professor of Defense Management. He retired in March after outstanding service to the USAWC for 15 years.



Dr. Marybeth Ulrich, long-serving faculty member in the Department of National Security and Strategy (DNSS), has moved this summer to a leadership position in the Department of Strategy and Policy at the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. She has been an integral part of the USAWC and DNSS faculty since 1999, when she was a pioneer as a female civilian professor in the College where there had primarily been military women and female Visiting Professors for short periods before. Dr. Ulrich's leadership and mentorship of women across the College, her academic contributions in the field of civil-military relations, and her passion for teaching reverberated across the department and the College. She was also incredibly active in community events and was the Jim Thorpe Tennis coach. We wish her the best at the Naval War College. She is shown in this photo with the USAWC Dean, Dr. Ed Kaplan.



LTC (Ret) Edwin M. 'Mike' Perry, DCS '97 retired after 26 years of service to the USAWC community. He arrived at Carlisle Barracks in the summer of 1997 and served initially as Director of Operations and then as Director of the Military History Institute in Upton Hall from 1998 to 2002. He played a significant role in the SecArmy's authorization for the creation of the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (USAHEC) in October 2001. In the fall of 2004, Mike became the Executive Director of the Army Heritage Center Foundation which directly supports the USAHEC and other programs that bring an enlightened understanding of military history to multiple audiences, including to school age patrons and their teachers who use USAHEC in meaningful, educational, and fun ways. Mike also led the Foundation-sponsored construction program that added the Visitor and Education Center, the Hall of the American Soldier, and the Event Pavilion to the USAHEC campus.



# MARYLAND ALUMNI EVENT

On March 15, 2023, USAWC graduates from the greater Baltimore area and across Maryland joined the Army War College Foundation, USAWC senior leadership, and members of the Foundation's Board of Trustees in Hanover, Maryland. Over 90 local alumni assembled for a night of entertainment and fellowship, and to receive a College update from the 53rd Commandant, **MG David Hill**. He gave the keynote presentation on USAWC programs, leadership changes, and an update on the highly anticipated new academic facility. This was the first Foundation-organized Alumni Dinner since the pandemic and it was a great success.



The Six String Soldiers from the Army Field Band at Fort Meade, Maryland, dazzled the audience with their musical performance. Gifted singers and musicians alike, the band performed a wide variety of country and Irish songs to the tune of their guitars, banjos, and fiddle. The band also played "Star of the County Down", featuring a 102-year old mandolin-banjo, a gift from **COL (Ret) Ruth Collins, RES '98** and a family heirloom of her late husband, LTC (Ret) Woodie Collins. The band delighted, playing crowd favorites and encouraging audience participation.

L-R: SFC Joseph Bennett; Collins; MSG Glenn Robertson; SSG Megan Browning; SFC Brandon Boron; SSG Renee Bennett; and SSG Clay Parler; Tour Coordinator. Also present was the Six String Soldiers Audio Engineer, SFC Jonathan Pusztai.



SIX STRING SOLDIERS, U.S. ARMY FIELD BAND



# CIVIL-MILITARY CONFERENCE

## Inaugural Civil-Military Conference Addresses Army Recruiting Challenges

In the last magazine, we announced the establishment of the USAWC Civil-Military Relations Center (CMRC). Over the course of AY23, the CMRC successfully expanded the scope and scale of education and research opportunities on civil-military relations in the U.S. and across the world—programming that established the College as a national leader in bridging both the civil-military and academic-practitioner divides.

In just our first year of existence, the CMRC, established an educational area of concentration, and offered a research project for students interested in helping the Army think about its recruiting challenges. In addition, the Center hosted 12 talks by leading scholars and authors and promoted research on contemporary issues facing the nation, all while its 16 faculty affiliates published eight articles and participated in half a dozen podcasts.

In response to major recruiting challenges and calls from senior leaders, the Center's inaugural conference took place on May 5-6, 2023, with the theme, "Military and Society: The All-Volunteer Force Turns 50." The Center received over 70 paper proposals in the fall of 2022 from scholars and practitioners, and hosted over 100 scholars and practitioners in person at the Army Heritage and Education Center for this conference, with another 40 participants tuning in virtually from across the country. This resulted in a two-day program that featured plenary sessions by experts to help us trace the past, present, and future of the All-Volunteer Force, alongside 12 breakout panel sessions that showcased student and faculty research and writing. The conference also featured keynote fireside chats with **LTG (Ret) David W. Barno, RES '95** of Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, and **Dr. Peter Feaver** of Duke University.



LTG (Ret) David Barno, RES '95

Throughout the conference, participants presented work and research that revealed new and important thinking on the future of the U.S. military's recruiting, effectiveness, and the force's ability to respond to modern threats. Panels covered a wide range of topics, including the history of the draft to the state of the Reserves, to the future of selective service, decisions about the use of force, and the role of veterans in American society. As a result of the quality and importance of the work presented, the CMRC is partnering with Army University Press to produce a special issue of *Military Review* with highlights from the conference.



Panelists L-R: Dr. Jacqueline Whitt, Dr. Adrian Lewis, Dr. Kara Vuic, and Dr. Beth Bailey.



Panelists L-R: Dr. Doyle Hodges, Dr. Heidi Urben, Dr. Jess Blankshain, and Dr. David Burbach.



Dr. Jacob Stoil



Dr. Dan Vallone and Dr. Hannah Smith

As the Center enters its second year, we continue to expand our reach and programming to address some of the most pressing challenges facing Army leaders today. While we said goodbye to our co-director **Dr. Marybeth Ulrich** in June as she left to take on a leadership role at the Naval War College, we welcomed **COL Johnathon Kupka** as our deputy director of the Center in July, and are looking forward to working with our new postdoctoral fellow, **Dr. Alexander Marino**, in August.



Dr. Marybeth Ulrich



Dr. Alexander Marino

We will resume our weekly Thursday workshops beginning on September 7, which will be broadcast as a webinar for public viewing, and include a bonus podcast discussion with our speaker that will be released as a special series with the official War Room podcast, *A Better Peace*. In addition, USAWC students will continue to research the causes and consequences of the Army's recruiting challenges, and we look forward to sponsoring additional faculty research and publications. Finally, we look forward to hosting our second annual conference on May 3-4, 2024, and hope that you will be able to join us! You can stay up to date with our programming and faculty at our website: <https://cmrc.armywarcollege.edu>.

by **Dr. Carrie Lee**  
Chair, Department of National Security and  
Strategy and Director, Civil-Military  
Relations Center





# NEWS AND EVENTS

## Jim Thorpe Sports Days



Students opened the games on April 20, 2023, passing the torch as they represented the entire community of military and civilian students from participating senior service colleges. Yes, the Army War College did retain the trophy, but it was tough competition and you cannot take that for granted!

## Legacy Circle



Each year, the Barracks is honored to host Native Americans at the Jim Thorpe Sports Days in April to remember not only the extraordinary life of Jim Thorpe but the thousands of Native American children and young adults who were brought to Carlisle from 1879-1918. Thanks to this great group of men and women pictured above who work tirelessly to focus on the legacy and the sacrifices of Native Americans. In the rear are the senior leaders representing each of the competing war colleges.



## USAWC Grad honored with Post Name

Ft. Lee was re-named **Ft. Gregg-Adams** on April 27, 2023 in honor of our living graduate and Outstanding Alum, **LTG (Ret) Arthur J. Gregg, RES '68** and in memory of **LTC Charity Adams**, Commander of the 6888 Central Postal Directory Battalion. At the time of the ceremony, LTG (Ret) Gregg was just shy of his 97th birthday and he amazed the audience with his wit, energy, and insights as he reflected on his long history serving the U.S. Army and Ft. Lee community through historical periods of growth and change.

## Quite the Singing Trio!



L-R: Lt. Col Robert L. 'Bobby G' Geary, USAF, COL Justin Schlanser, and COL Lee 'Spencer' Wallace.

The National Anthem is always special but this year on June 9, 2023, it was incredibly special thanks to these three **RES '23** graduates. They teamed up to sing it at Jim Thorpe Sports Days in April and again at the Joint Ball in May, and finally at their graduation ceremony. The harmony, the perfect pitch, and the joy of graduation combined for a gift that all in attendance enjoyed.

## Graduation in the Heat Wave!



The **Distance Class of 2023** graduated on July 28, 2023 when the heat index was predicted to reach 104 degrees by early afternoon. The ceremony started early and as you can see from the smile on **COL Jason C. Small's** face, the celebration was cool once those diplomas were in hand!



# NEWS AND EVENTS CONTINUED

## Two Integrated Research Project (IRP) Teams Brief at DoD Level

Two USAWC student IRPs were selected by Joint Staff J7 and Deputy Secretary of Defense (DSD) staff to be presented on June 2, 2023 to DSD Hicks and the Vice Chiefs at a concepts roundtable. The projects were selected as part of a yearlong DSD research challenge among all senior service colleges and senior Professional Military Education institutions. Of the final five selected, two were from USAWC.

Representing the USAWC at the roundtable was the Commandant and the two faculty project advisors, **Dr. Gregory Cantwell, RES '07** and **Dr. Kathleen Moore**, both from the Center for Strategic Leadership.

Dr. Cantwell's student, **LTC Matthew Inglis, RES '23** briefed his research project on Air and Missile Defense and Deception in the

Competition Continuum. Dr. Moore's Futures Seminar student, **LTC Chris Wilson, RES '23** briefed his group's research paper on China's Devine Move.

**MG Dave Hill**, Commandant, recognized in his office the students whose research projects were selected for the DSD research challenge.



**LTC Matthew Inglis, RES '23**, also presented his research at the second annual Strategic Landpower Symposium.



## Peggy's Book Club

On April 12, 2023, spouses in the Executive Leadership Development Course met with Mrs. Chris Hill at her quarters for 'Peggy's Book Club,' an event supported by the Foundation with the sponsorship of **Ms. Moira**

**Kelly, NSS '12** in memory of her late mother, Margaret 'Peggy' Casserly Kelly. This session featured Barry Altland who discussed his book, *Engaging the Head, Heart and Hands of a Volunteer*.



## DeMarco Visit

Dr. Charles and Mrs. Marie DeMarco of Webster, New York, visited on March 30-31, 2023 and their unique tie to Carlisle Barracks was too special not to share. Charles was assigned to Carlisle Barracks for duty as a young Army physician in the mid-1950s, just a few years after the Army War College moved to

Carlisle. He and Marie lived in the Stanwix Apartments, obtained by the post to help alleviate the severe housing shortage with all the new students, faculty, and staff. Charles left the Army as a Captain and returned to New York to start his own practice and raise their family, but he and Marie never forgot their experiences here and they enjoy stopping through.



## U.S. Ambassador USAWC Grad

**Amb. Kristina Kvien, DDE '14**, is a career member of the Senior Foreign Service with the rank of Minister Counselor. She arrived in Yerevan on February 16, 2023, to serve as the tenth U.S. Ambassador to Armenia. Prior to this from 2020 until 2022, Amb. Kvien served from as Chargé d'Affaires at U.S. Embassy Kyiv, Ukraine. She has three decades

of public service to deepening U.S. relations with Europe, and with advancing the vision of peace and security across the world. We are really proud that she's our USAWC grad!

## JOINT DELI's Last Day



The Joint Deli in the old Root Hall closed on August 4, 2023. **LTC Priscella Nohle (right)**, the new Carlisle Barracks Garrison Commander, came that day to thank **Ms. Jeannette Yost (center)**, MWR Food and Beverage Cook, on behalf of the hundreds of MWR employees who served the USAWC community in that snack bar over almost six decades of operation. **COL (Ret) Ruth Collins (left)**, Foundation Pres & CEO, was on hand to represent the thousands of students, faculty, and staff who enjoyed gathering in that Root Hall Snack Bar from early morning through early afternoon for coffee, lunch, and everything in-between.

## ROCKS Event



**LTG Kevin Vereen, RES '11**, Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army, returned to Carlisle to participate in a Leader Professional Development session for USAWC students at part of Carlisle ROCKS in February 2023.



# CLASS GIFT UPDATE



## 2023 RESIDENT CLASS GIFT

The 2023 Resident Class gift was presented on June 8, 2023, the day before graduation. The class joined with the Resident Class of 2022 in order to create the **Elihu Root desk in the entry way** of the new academic building. Root was the Secretary of War who established the U.S. Army War College in 1901 in Washington, D.C. and for whom the main College academic building is named. The name “Root Hall” has been transferred to the new building. The Foundation will represent the classes as design, contracting, and installation takes place in the coming months.

Shown to the left are members of the 2023 Resident Class Gift Committee. The Class President is **COL Fran Taylor** (right front) and the Gift Committee Chair is **LTC Christopher Jurney** (left rear in black shirt).

## 2023 DISTANCE CLASS GIFT

The 2023 Distance Class gift was presented in Bliss Hall on July 27, 2023, the afternoon before graduation. The class joined the Resident Class of 2021 to build a **wall and fireplace on the North Terrace** of the new academic building. These additions to the terrace patio extend its uses as a discussion space, ceremonial space, or social space overlooking the LeTort Spring Run. The wall and fireplace will be made from limestone, which matches a nearby pillar and accents the views over the famous stream. The Foundation will represent both classes in the final design, contracting, and installation.

Shown to the right are members of the 2023 Distance Class Gift Committee. The Class President, **COL Jennifer Saenz** is to the far right and the Gift Committee Chair, **COL Sharon Rosser**, in the right of center in the front row.



## Updates on Four Other Class Gifts Supporting the New Academic Building

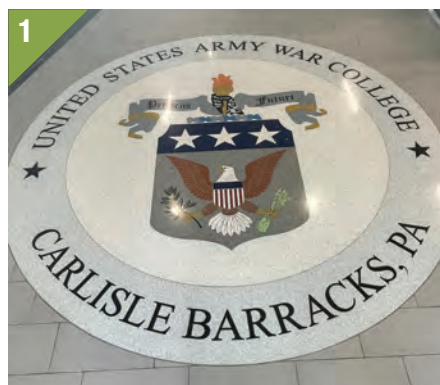
✓ **1. The Distance Class of 2020** donated the beautiful terrazzo floor crest for the main foyer of the new Root Hall and it has been completed.

“Strength and Wisdom” and the third floor “Prudens Futuri,” the official motto of the College which means “Provident for the Future.” Each has a USAWC shoulder patch rendering on both ends. This installation is complete and the results are outstanding.

✓ **2. The Resident Class of 2020** donated a USAWC bronze coat of arms for the front of the new Root Hall and it has been completed.

✓ **3. The Distance Class of 2022** donated funds for etching mottos and logos on the second and third floor glass railings of one side of the atrium of the new building. Construction issues caused a review of the concept and high-quality commercial clings were installed instead on both sides of the atrium, both floors. The railing on the second floor reads

**The Distance Class of 2024**, which graduates next summer, has voted to donate class gift funds for the Alumni Park, specifically to help relocate the bronze graduation plaques for the classes with no living members. *What a wonderful decision!* More on this next year!





# CLASS OF 2000 REUNION

Members of the USAWC Class of 2000 returned to Carlisle Barracks May 18-20, 2023 for their delayed 20-year reunion. Over a three-day period, members of the class reunited with friends and reflected on memories that shaped their USAWC experiences and their lives.

Both the Resident and Distance Class Presidents and their spouses were in attendance -- **COL (Ret) Ron and Mary Ann Perry**, and **COL (Ret) Jay and Alice Harmon**, respectively. The USAWC Fellows of 2000 were represented by **COL (Ret) Felix** and **Nicofina Castro**. A huge bonus for the class was that their Commandant and his wife, **MG (Ret) Bob and Diana Scales**, as well as their Dean and his wife, **Dr. Jeff and Marianne McCausland**, attended along with a number of faculty members.



Class Presidents, Ron Perry and Jay Harmon

After an ice-breaker on Thursday evening, the class convened in Bliss Hall on Friday morning for an update from the College's Provost, **Dr. Jim Breckenridge**. After a special

welcome to the class's two International Fellows (IFs) in attendance, **LTG (Ret) Koichiro Bansho** from Japan and **Gen 'Pang' Kornmai** from Thailand, Dr. Breckenridge noted the impact that our international students continue to have at the College and in the community. Seven IFs have been inducted into the USAWC IF Hall of Fame from this class.

**Dr. Ed Kaplan**, the current Dean of the School of Strategic Landpower, and **Dr. Jeff McCausland**, Dean in 2000, provided a joint brief on the curriculum and its evolution over the last 23 years. Both leaders highlighted key changes that had occurred and reflected on reasons why. Of great interest to the group was the impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and how it was impacting national security policy and being addressed in the College's instruction.

The class enjoyed lunch and a self-guided visit at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center, which opened several years after the Class of 2000 graduated. On Friday afternoon, the class conducted a memorial



service in Bliss Hall foyer for 30 classmates. Attendees provided personal tributes, describing the richness of the lives of their deceased colleagues and friends.

The Friday evening event was dinner at the LeTort View Community Center (LVCC). The highlight of the evening came when **MG (Ret) Scales** made deeply personal, reflective remarks to the group. It was evident that he and Diana had an intimate relationship with this class, and that their experiences from that



LTG Bansho, IF-Japan, and COL (Ret) You-Ying Whipple with MG (Ret) Bob and Diana Scales

year had not faded in the least.

The evening at LVCC was "topped off" with 30 minutes of dancing led by Seminar 10's faculty member, **COL (Ret) Frank Hancock, RES '93**. The laughter and joy from attendees was genuine and appreciated. Saturday was left for personal choices of activities and further gatherings, as desired. Thanks to all who attended and made it a wonderful reunion!



L-R Front: Felix Castro, Nicofina Castro, Betsy Wiley, Joan Eitzen, Kathy Perry, Dee Connelly, Alice Harmon, Jay Harmon, Chris Acker, Dwight 'Ric' Thomas, Shirley McGonigle, Darrell Williamson, Judy Knott, Sally Wallace, Pang Kornmai, MG Bob Scales, Diana Scales, Koichiro Bansho, Deb Hayward, Peter Hayward, Paul Smulian, Kurt Ubbelohde, Kent Abernathy, Charley Higbee, Chris Higbee, Sherri Mayes, Bill Coburn, Elizabeth Beedenbender, Brian Salerno, Father Greg D'Emma.

L-R Back: Pat Nossov, Bob Nossov, Andrew Whipple, You-Ying Whipple, Ron Perry, Mary Ann Perry, Stanley Jacques, Rita Jacques, Cindy Thompson, Rick Thompson, Ken Jones, GM Knott, Jeannette James, Rick Hoefert, Beverly Young, Mo Young, David Gerstenlauer, Justine Sincavage, Chan Mohney, Bill Crock, Fred Aikens, Roger Allen, Jeff McCausland, Mark Bellini, Frank Hancock, Ann Marie Bocklage, Brian Bocklage, Hank Steinhilber, Kelly Mayes, Mark Beedenbender, Kevin Connelly.

Attended but not in photo: Gary Dawson, Terry Wiley, George and Debbie Teague.



# IF HALL OF FAME

Since our last magazine, seven International Fellows (IFs) have been inducted into the USAWC IF Hall of Fame. This Hall of Fame was established to provide a prestigious and visible means of honoring USAWC IF graduates who attained the highest positions in their respective nations' armed forces or who have held an equivalent position by rank or responsibility in a multinational organization. The first induction was held in March 1988.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS OF THE IF HALL OF FAME



**LTG Sitali Alibuzwi, IF-Zambia, RES '13**, and **MG Joseph Seelo, IF-Botswana, RES' 13** were inducted by the Commandant, MG David Hill, as members #74 and 75 in a joint ceremony on March 2, 2023. Both officers were attending the African Alumni Symposium held at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center that week.



**LTG Iulian 'JJ' Berdila, IF-Romania, RES '14**, member #77, was inducted on April 14, 2023.



**GEN (Ret) Riccardo Marchio, IF-Italy, RES '00**, was inducted as member #79 on May 17, 2023 in Italy.



**LTG Romeo S. Brawner, Jr., IF-Philippines, RES '17**, was inducted by MG Hill as member #76 on March 7, 2023.



**LTG Lars S. Lervik, IF-Norway, RES '17**, was inducted as member #78 on April 27, 2023.



**LTG Valdemaras Rupsys, IF-Lithuania, RES '11**, was inducted as member #80 on June 5, 2023 in a ceremony hosted by **COL Jake Larkowich, USAWCF '19**, Deputy Commandant.

## FINAL PREPARATIONS FOR CENTCOM IFCEP

The College is preparing to conduct the fourth IF Continuing Education Program (IFCEP) this fall bringing together alumni from partner nations in the Central Command Area of Responsibility. The IFCEP is designed to refresh, update, and introduce contemporary issues taught at USAWC and provide our alumni academic and professional resources to support their lifelong learning. It is a forum where participants interact and dialog on issues, expose differing national perspectives, and identify concerns in the region amongst neighbors in order to develop a collaborative community of security stakeholders.

The six-week course is divided into two phases with four areas of emphasis focused on Leadership, Policy, Doctrine, and Regional Issues. Topics in each area are introduced during Phase I in September via distance learning using readings, videos, lectures, and asynchronous discussions. Phase II, held in October, reinforces the topics during a face-to-face symposium where the alumni openly discuss each other's perspective in a non-attribution environment.

The first IFCEP was held in 2019 with nations in the central and southern Americas, with 12 grads coming together in Mexico City for the final week. The second in October 2021 involved 14 IFs who assembled in Zagreb, Croatia to focus on the European region. Most recently last November, the third IFCEP focused on INDOPACOM, uniting attendees in Bangkok, Thailand.

This year, 32 IF alums from across the Middle East have been invited to attend the IFCEP that culminates in Amman, Jordan in mid-October. Discussions are also ongoing with regional commands and organizations with interests in the region for 10 to 15 more U.S. graduates. In 2024, the College hopes to double the number of IFCEP events from one to two a year, increasing attendance while maintaining small seminars on relevant security topics. Planning for the first ever IFCEP focused in the AFRICOM area of responsibility has already begun, pending approval of the expanded educational effort. The resident phase of that event is projected in Lusaka, Zambia in April 2024. We will keep you posted on future IFCEP plans.

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L-R: U.S. Embassy in Thailand Defense Attaché COL Kurtis A Leffler, USAWCF '19, facilitated discussions at the 2022 INDOPACOM IFCEP event in Bangkok, Thailand with Prof. Albert Lord, RES '03, COL Michael Ake, DDE '17, MG Santosh Kumar Dhakal IF-Nepal, RES '17, and COL Elmer Suderio, IF-Philippines, RES '20.



# ADVANCED REGIONAL STUDIES (ARS) TRAVEL

## EUROPE

The purpose of the AY23 Advanced Regional Studies (ARS) Europe was to deepen selected students' understanding of the U.S.' external strategic environment across the Atlantic Ocean. This Term II elective in April centered around an 11-day trip to explore the defense and security interests of and challenges for Europe through a variety of lenses and engagements in different countries. A major focus this year was the ongoing war in Ukraine and questions about strategies of victory and war termination. Another primary goal of the ARS course was to develop students' appreciation for U.S. interests in Europe and the role that values play in the transatlantic relationship. Europe's evolving relationship with the Peoples Republic of China was another important topic for discussion.

All ARS courses build on various perspectives developed in the core regional studies program. The concepts of "Strategic Empathy" and "Historical Mindedness" are essential for this process. During several pre-trip sessions, ARS Europe students in AY23 engaged in classified briefings and conducted several focus sessions on Europe's eastern, northern, southern, and western flanks.

ARS Europe traveled to Finland (Helsinki), one of the newest NATO members; Poland (Warsaw), a key NATO ally on Europe's eastern flank; and France (Paris and Bayeux), the U.S.' oldest ally in Western Europe, with significant global interests and ambitions. Major engagements in Helsinki were meetings with the Finnish Ministry of Defense, the Aleksanteri Institute on Russia and Eastern Europe, the oldest European think tank that focuses on Russia, and the Finnish Institute of International Affairs. Highlights in Warsaw were commemorations for the 80th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising in 1943, an insightful meeting with a member of the Polish Sejm, and deep discussions with students and faculty from the University of Warsaw, some of them refugees from Ukraine.



ARS Europe with Polish students and faculty at the University of Warsaw, Poland.

## EURASIA

Eurasia ARS students traveled over 12,000 miles from April 15-29, 2023 by planes, train, and bus to cities in Türkiye, Latvia, and Lithuania with faculty members **Dr. Robert Hamilton, USAWCF '09** and **Dr. Leone Musgrave**. At the start of each country visit, each embassy provided a team brief outlining the state of security, the economy, the impact of the Russia/Ukraine war on the region, and other current and historical issues for their location.

Key engagements in Ankara, Türkiye included meetings with the NATO-accredited Center of Excellence Defense Against Terrorism, Ministry of National Defense, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Turkish Aerospace Industries, and a visit to Anıtkabir, a complex located in the Çankaya district of Ankara, which includes the mausoleum of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. The group traveled from Ankara to Istanbul by train and spent two days visiting major cultural and historical sites such as the Basilica Cistern, the Hagia Sophia Grand Mosque, and the Dolmabahçe Palace.

Once we arrived in France, ARS Europe first visited some of the sites of the Allied landings in Normandy during World War II. In Paris, among other engagements, ARS Europe met with the *Centre d'analyse, de prévision et de stratégie* at the French foreign ministry, the *Institut de Recherche Stratégique* at the French ministry of defense, and noted journalist Daphné Benoit and others from *Agence France-Presse*.



Dr. Michael Neiberg, USAWC Chair of War Studies, at the alumni dinner in Warsaw, Poland, with IF alums BG Maciej Klisz, RES '20 (left) and BG Grzegorz Potrzuski, RES '21 (right). BG Klisz is currently commander of the Polish Territorial Defense forces and BG Potrzuski is currently the chief of Polish artillery forces.



AY23 students at the memorial for the 1943 Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. L-R: COL Mark Sturgeon, LtCol Jeremy Nelson, LTC Sarah Witt, and Dr. Cheri Roseberry. Yellow daffodils are a symbol of remembrance for the 1943 uprising.



Next up was a flight to Riga, Latvia where the Ministry of Defense, the National Armed Forces Joint Headquarters, the NATO Force Integration Unit, the NATO-accredited Strategic Communications Center of Excellence, and the Baltic Security Foundation all provided briefings. In Latvia, with help from the U.S. Embassy, the Eurasia ARS students organized a USAWC Alumni Social at Folkklubs Ala.



# ADVANCED REGIONAL STUDIES (ARS) TRAVEL CONTINUED

The event included Latvia IF graduates **Gaidis A. Zeibots, RES '99**, **Juris Maklakovs, RES '04**, and **Janis Karlsbergs, DDE '07**.



On the final leg of the trip, the group traveled by bus to Lithuania and met with the U.S. Belarus Affairs Section, the Ministry of National Defense, the enhanced Forward Presence NATO Force Integration Unit, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Vilnius University and toured the Ninth Fort and parliament. Lithuanian IF alumni **Arvydas Pocius, RES '04**, **Almantas Leika, DDE '06**, and **Viktoras Bagdonas, RES '21** attended a mixer with the ARS students and faculty at the Old Green Grill House.



The highlight of the trip was on the final day when the group met with the exiled Belarusian opposition leader **Sviatlana Tsikhanouskaya** and her team – a formidable ending to a deeply enriching USAWC experience.

*by Ms. Amy U. Brayshaw, RES '23*

## AMERICAS



### Brazil

Advanced Regional Studies (ARS) students gathered in Brasilia, Brazil on April 25, 2023 for an alumni dinner at Coco Bambu restaurant. The interaction allowed the group to dialogue, share stories, and increase the power of the USAWC network. The Brazilian IF alums who attended were **LTG (Ret) Joarez Alves Pereira, RES '03**, **MG Rodrigo Vergara, RES '13**, **MG Miriano Eder, RES' 14**, **MG Valerio Lange, RES '16**, and **COL Joao Alberto Nunes de Paula, RES '17**.



### Chile

On April 20 2023, ARS students and alumni gathered at the Club Militar Chile in Santiago for a night of fellowship, dialogue, and networking. IF alums who attended: **MG (Ret) Sergio Bejares, RES '97**; **MG (Ret) Andres Polloni, RES '98**; **COL (Ret) Sergio Larrain, RES '02**; **COL (Ret) Rene Garcia Reyes, RES '03**; **COL (Ret) Gustav Meyerholz, RES '09**; **LTG (Ret) Osvaldo Vallejos, RES '11**; **LTG Cristian Vial, RES '12**; **BG Jorge Salinas Schlack, RES '15**; **MG Juan Solari Valdes, RES '16**; **COL Rodrigo Arce Ducassou, RES '17**; **COL Carlos Urrutia Array, RES '18**; **COL Felipe Cerda Carrizo, RES '19**; **COL Roberto Lazo Santos, RES '20**; and **LTC Ricardo Kaiser Onetto, RES '22**.

## IF Grads from Indonesia Celebrate USAWC Connections

Recent Indonesian IF graduates met in September 2022 at a restaurant in Bandung, Indonesia along with their families to celebrate their Carlisle experiences. L-R: **BG Elphis Rudy, RES '21**; **BG Tedjasukma Ekaputra, RES '20**; **BG Jannie A. Siahaan, RES '19**; **BG Erwin H. Suherman, RES '18**; **Lt Gen Ignatius "Yogo" Triyono, RES '16**; and **MG Anton Nugroho, RES '15**.





# RES '97 INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS REUNION

**Berlin, March 16-19, 2023**

The IFs of 'The Great Class of 1997' have met regularly since 2007, with reunions in Belgium, Jordan, Norway, Qatar, Nepal, the U.S., Australia, Sweden, and now Germany. As we have become older, we have felt the need to shorten the time between reunions. However, that was not the reason why the reunion of 2023 in Berlin was held within nine months of the wonderful reunion in Stockholm in June 2022. As our loyal readers may remember, our classmate from Qatar, **H.E. Sheikh Abdulla Al-Thani**, offered then to host the next reunion in Berlin, where he is Ambassador for Qatar. Remembering the epic reunion that he hosted in Doha in 2013, we could not pass on this opportunity.

On Thursday, March 16th, we gathered in our splendid Marriott Berlin Hotel, where Abdulla welcomed us. Two Embassy mini-vans then whisked us to Hotel de Rome for our first dinner, hosted by diplomat Mr. Nawaf and, as usual, it took no time to feel young again, remembering our Carlisle days.



The next morning, we walked to the 'Brandenburger Tor' and witnessed an impressive ceremonial procession involving Prime Minister Netanyahu of Israel. Our highly professional guide, Tobi, showed

us many historic places, including the original line of the Berlin Wall. He also helped us to re-live a great part of history. We had all seen Checkpoint Charlie before, and our British friend had even served a couple of years in Berlin during the Cold War. Tobi was raised in East Germany, and he could impressively sketch how people there felt, including how the older generation now feels about the re-unification of Germany and attitudes towards Russia with the Ukraine situation. It was a reminder of a wise lesson that we were taught at the War College: Imagine how others think (not just opponents, but also people who live in another environment, who are less fortunate, and have had differing experiences and influences). Finally, we walked through the overwhelming Holocaust Memorial and saw where Hitler spent his last days, in a now destroyed bunker.



From L-R: Nick Tay (Singapore), Martin Vine (U.K.), Serene Tay, Lars and Ingegerd Fagerburg (Sweden), Mandy Vine, Abdulla Al Thani (Qatar), John and Mali Vaagland (Norway), and Willem and Zinnia Bek (Netherlands).



On the afternoon of March 17th, we walked along 'Unter den Linden,' witnessed tourists on 'Trabi-Safari' (driving in Communist East Germany's now obsolete Trabant motor cars) and visited the German Historical Museum. Here the thought-provoking exhibition 'Roads not taken' showed how

historical outcomes could have been totally different, if other decisions had been made – some with disastrous results, others pre-empting disaster. We were hosted for dinner at the Titanic Hotel by diplomat Mr. Ahmad who had picked the best place in Berlin to enjoy perfectly-cooked steaks.

We started Saturday with a short walk to the fascinating German Spy Museum, where we regretted not having brought our grandchildren since many features had been part of our lives in our younger days. We were particularly impressed by a scale model of the Glienicke Bridge, where U.S. pilot Gary Powers was exchanged for Soviet intelligence officer Rudolf Abel in 1962. We would cross this bridge ourselves the next day on our trip to Potsdam.

Abdulla then led us on a guided tour through the German Bundestag. It was a privilege to see the work of internationally renowned architect Norman Foster. The buildings weave in stunning new concepts, while retaining significant parts of the old fabric of what had once been the old Reichstag, largely burned down in 1933. The most recent building is the Jakob-Kaiser Haus, home to 2000 offices hosting staff members and parliamentary employees. The other two buildings, located on both sides of the Spree River, are connected by a bridge. The Paul-Löbe Haus has 1000 offices for the members of parliament and the Marie-Elisabeth Lüders Haus has the parliamentary library. Highlight of the tour was climbing up inside the glass and steel dome to access the Reichstag's roof, where beautiful clear panoramic scenes over the city were not possible 30 years ago with its significant air pollution.

After lunch at Einstein Restaurant Unter den Linden, we walked to the Museum of Islamic Art located in the Pergamon Museum for a guided tour inside impressive reconstructions of ancient buildings, including the Market Gate of Miletus (Roman Empire). Smaller, but just as impressive, was the Aleppo Room, a reception room with the original wall panelling from the Ottoman Period. Carved by a Persian artist in 1603, the panelling depicts biblical scenes, and features the Virgin Mary, Christ, and his disciples. A must-see exhibit was the iconic bust of Nefertiti, principal wife of Egyptian pharaoh Akhenaten, believed to have been crafted around 1345 BC and discovered by a German archaeological team in 1912.

We set off Sunday for Potsdam, Capital of the German state of Brandenburg, and residence of the Prussian kings and the German Kaiser until 1918. Our main goal was a walking tour at the grounds of Sanssouci Palace, summer residence of Prussian King Frederick the Great, well known for its beautiful garden with vineyard terraces and an originally preserved 18th century interior.

We continued in the afternoon walking through Potsdam with its 1000-year-old past as Imperial Capital and garrison town of the Prussian kings. It is also the place where Hitler's Reichstag held a meeting for the first time in 1933. In 1945, the Potsdam Agreement sealed the end of the Nazi regime at the Cecilienhof Palace. We also visited the military historic museum with its many aeroplanes, helicopters, unmanned, and anti-aircraft systems at Airfield Berlin-Gatow, formerly used by the German Luftwaffe and British Royal Air Force.

On Sunday evening we gathered at the Divan, an Arabic Culture House in Berlin, hosted again by Abdulla. We thanked our dear friend for his generous hospitality and his perfect arrangements for us. Our British friends, Martin and Mandy Vine, offered to host the next reunion in 2025 and this proposal was unanimously accepted.



*by BG (Ret) Willem Bek, IF - Netherlands*



# CHAIR UPDATES

## Chair of Executive and Strategic Leadership

My service as the Chair of Executive and Strategic Leadership comprises two principal duties or, really, privileges. First, I serve as an educator for students in the Carlisle Scholars Program, which I direct. My educational focus is on cultivating leaders who are adept at strategic problem-solving in any context. My teaching colleagues and I realize this vision by administering weekly in-depth exercises that enable the students to develop skills in the conduct of original research, analytical collaboration, and policy and strategy formulation. By the time our students complete their sixth month here, they will have engaged in no fewer than 15 research-driven, two-day exercises on a range of historical and contemporary challenges. This approach is unique in American military and policy education.

My second role as Chair is to conduct outreach for the College with an emphasis on leader development within national-security contexts. Outreach can take the form of showcasing the work that USAWC faculty are doing, including my work on ethics, military and policy leadership, and the relationship between the military professional and various ways of understanding politics.

I recently presented my research at several academic conferences, including at the International Studies Association in Montreal, Canada; the Southern Political Science Association St. Pete's, Florida; the Department of Social Sciences Security Seminar, West Point, New York; and the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.

I also presented talks on the theme of "Strategy, Ethics, and Due Diligence," emphasizing the obligation for senior military and national-security leaders to conduct—on their own and in collaboration with others—rigorous, theory-informed analysis requisite to understand the policy and strategic problems they encounter. I gave short versions of this talk to the faculty and leadership of Joint Special Operations University in Tampa, Florida; participants at the Irregular Warfare Center's conference on military education in Arlington, Virginia; and the International Society of Military Ethics in Athens, Greece.



A great honor was leading one week's worth of instruction on the theme of "Thinking Strategically" to senior leaders in the Defence and Strategic Studies Course at the Australian War College in Canberra. The themes included critical thinking, cognitive bias and misperception, collective-action problems, and systems thinking and complexity. The week ended with the students applying the lesson material to the challenge China presents to the international community.

In Paris this spring, five students in the Carlisle Scholars Program participated in a series of professional forums, formal training in debate techniques, and an actual debate of two mixed teams comprising students from both France's Ecole de Guerre and the U.S. Army War College. Much of the professional discussions centered on the war between Russia and Ukraine, as well as the international role played by the People's Republic of China. The students' formal debate centered on whether the U.S. or China has an advantage over the other with respect to the development of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence. Our colleague in Paris, Ms. Emily Cleret, did a tremendous job structuring a week's worth of challenging experiences for our students. Among the skills they strengthened through formal debate included the conduct of research, crafting arguments, oral communication, and thinking on one's feet. All leaders could benefit from such high-pressure education and training.

We expanded the Second Annual Strategy Competition in April to ten military education programs from the various Services, as well as three civilian policy schools. Each program sends one or two six-person teams to compete over three days. The students' task this year was to assess U.S. strategy towards China, assess weaknesses, and propose alternatives. Moreover, a team of Ph.D. researchers, led by Dr. Megan Hennessey at Air University, observed the various teams to identify patterns of strengths and weaknesses in how students researched, developed, and briefed their strategies. This year's final round featured a team from our National Security Policy Program and a team from the Air University's mid-career program, Joint All Domain Strategist Program. The USAWC team took the win after receiving tough questioning and fine-tuned feedback from the judges, including Ambassador (Ret) C. Steven McGann, Professor Stephen Biddle of Columbia University, Professor Risa Brooks from Marquette University, and **BG (Ret) Kimberly Field, RES '08**, the J5 of Special Operations Command. The competition allows student participants and their teachers to assess the military- and policy-education programs. Hence, the competition creates an opportunity to improve how American and partner-nation leaders confront national-security and military challenges.



*by Celestino Perez, Jr., Ph.D., RES '15  
Chair of Executive and Strategic Leadership and  
Director, Carlisle Scholars Program*



### STRATEGY COMPETITION 2023 WINNING TEAM

L-R: LTC Feby Collins, COL Mike Tobias, Col Alison Gonzalez, Ms. Aria Lu, and COL Scott Smith, all RES '23 students in the National Security Policy Program.



# CHAIR UPDATES CONTINUED

## Chair of War Studies

**Dr. Mike Neiberg**, remains busy and active as a speaker and writer, in addition to his seminar, program, and course teaching duties. He also connects and re-connects with USAWC grads wherever they are as he is one of the College's most internationally-engaged faculty members.

In February in Spain, Dr. Neiberg engaged with three USAWC International Fellows who are leading efforts at the University of Navarra in starting an international affairs program and hosting a conference under their highly-regarded law school in response to Ukraine and other events. All three pictured below with Dr. Neiberg couldn't say enough about how much their USAWC studies have helped them.



L-R: José Luis Calvo Albero, DDE '18; Dr. Neiberg; Salvador Sanchez Tapia, RES '09; and Pedro Vazquez de Prada Palencia, RES '12.



In April, Dr. Neiberg and **Prof. Daniel Krebs** led students on a ten-day trip to Helsinki, Warsaw, and Paris to examine issues related to NATO and the Ukraine war with our allies and partners (see p. 13). The group is shown above in the courtyard of the École Militaire, where they met with the French military's main policy planning group. Dr. Neiberg also linked up with **COL Arnaud Goujon, IF-France, RES '13**, Chief of Plans at the French Army HQs (below).



This June, Dr. Neiberg delivered two talks at the Chalke Valley History Festival in Wiltshire, England. Chalke Valley is one of the largest gatherings of people interested in history held in Europe. He also attended the Royal Uniform Service Institute Conference on Landpower inside Westminster Abbey's conference center in London, an event attended by three former USAWC International Fellows, including **Marcus Evans, IF-U.K, RES '15**, **BG Fernando Luis Moron Ruiz, IF-Spain, RES '15**, and another from Bulgaria.



Dr. Neiberg continues his work to help government and defense organizations improve their ability to think historically and apply insights expertly and appropriately – historical mindedness. He is also a frequent contributor to the advancement of accurate and contextual history, not only with his own books but as a reviewer of others. He recently had a review of two books by Jade McGlynn published by the *Washington Post* titled, “What we've Misunderstood about Russian Motivations for the War in Ukraine.”

## De Serio Chair of Strategic Intelligence

**Dr. Genevieve Lester** will depart this fall after seven years as the Chair. She has traveled extensively representing the College on topics of strategic intelligence. She dedicated herself to helping establish a firm role in the academic discourse on intelligence and leadership through speaking, writing, and bringing senior officials to speak at the College. She worked with the Army staff and throughout the Army enterprise on issues of intelligence education and intelligence consumption. She also contributed to two studies on intelligence education while on special assignment to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Dr. Lester has continued to publish and lecture internationally on oversight and accountability. Her books on covert action and the consumption of intelligence and technology will be coming out soon, to add to her other publications. She has organized and moderated a number of De Serio Lectures, culminating in this year's lecture with Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, William Burns. The Foundation dedicated this year's De Serio Lecture to Director Burns' late parents, **MG and Mrs. Wm. F. Burns, RES '72**, former Deputy Commandant, and former President of the Foundation. **Mrs. Charlotte Watts**, widow of **Mr. Francis W. De Serio, RES '72** for whom the lecture is named, also attended the lecture in memory of her long-time friends, the Burns.



CIA Director Bill Burns with Dr. Genevieve Lester for the 2023 De Serio Lecture on February 23, 2023.



MG (Ret) and Mrs. Wm. F. Burns, RES '72



# NEW AWCF LIFE MEMBERS

CLASS CODES

RES – Resident  
 DCS – Department of Corresponding Studies  
 DDE – Department of Distance Education  
 (DCS renamed as of 1 Jun 98)  
 SRCOC – Senior Reserve Component Officers Course

USAWCF – U.S. Army War College Fellow  
 FAC – Faculty  
 NSS – National Security Seminar  
 SIS – Strategy Implementation Seminar  
 CNSP – Commandant's National Security Program

DSC – Defense Strategy Course  
 SLS – Senior Leader Seminar  
 RCNSIS – Reserve Component National Security  
 Issues Seminar  
 AGNSS – Adjutant General's National Security Seminar

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 DDE – Department of Distance Education  
 (DCS renamed as of 1 Jun 98)  
 SRCOC – Senior Reserve Component Officers Course

USAWCF – U.S. Army War College Fellow  
 FAC – Faculty  
 NSS – National Security Seminar  
 SIS – Strategy Implementation Seminar  
 CNSP – Commandant's National Security Program

DSC – Defense Strategy Course  
 SLS – Senior Leader Seminar  
 RCNSIS – Reserve Component National Security  
 Issues Seminar  
 AGNSS – Adjutant General's National Security Seminar

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*Thanks to all new Life Members for supporting our Foundation!*



# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT/CEO

I am very pleased to introduce our two newest Foundation staff members who joined us this summer. **Julia Wertz** (*left*) is our new Admin Assistant and **Sarah Fletcher** (*right*) has joined our great Gift Shop team. Both are very impressive professional women who also are part of the broader military family. Julia is the spouse of an Army veteran and Sarah is the spouse of an Air Force RES '23 graduate who is staying on the faculty as part of the DMSPO teaching team. We are very lucky to have such talented and dedicated folks serving you, the Foundation, and the College.



We have now completed the 35% design that is required for submission of our real property gift of the proposed Alumni Park and Hall to the U.S. Army. To the right are our architect's renderings to show you the plan to accommodate the eventual relocation of the stained glass windows

and the bronze class plaques. We still have coordination and many legal reviews to accomplish, but we are working as expeditiously as possible. Yes, we continue to need your help with funding, so please be generous in designating support for the Alumni Park/Hall to preserve the ways that all graduates are honored.



Since the big news for this edition of this magazine is that the new academic building is now occupied, we wanted to give you some answers to your most frequently-asked questions:

**Now that the College has occupied the new academic building, what will happen to the old Root Hall?** Root Hall and Bliss Hall are scheduled for demolition (estimated 2025) and the ground they currently occupy will be returned initially to "green space." The Root Hall Gym will remain as is, and will continue as a fitness and wellness center for the Carlisle Barracks community.

**Is the new academic building going to be called "Root Hall" and what will the address be?** Yes, the "Root Hall" name has been transferred to the new academic building and the new address will be 651 Wright Avenue, Carlisle, PA 17013. Mail for the College and the Foundation will continue to find us using the 122 Forbes Avenue address for some time.

**What will happen to the graduation plaques and the stained glass windows?** In the not-too-distant future as part of the demolition prep that will be required, they will be moved into storage areas. The graduation plaques will be stored in a special area by the DPW and the stained glass windows will be stored professionally until they are ready for re-installation in the new Alumni Park and Hall in a few years. (*See above*)

**Will the College continue with graduation plaques for future classes?** Yes. There is no plan to change that time-honored tradition and there will be room in the new Alumni Park for decades more. There will be several years' delay with plaque dedications while the transition occurs.

**What will happen to other class gifts that are not stained glass windows?** Most class gift commissioned oil paintings have already been safely moved to the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center. There are curation committees in place now to make decisions about the future display of the entire collection of artifacts across the Barracks and the College.

**Will bricks from the old Root Hall be available as mementoes?** The bricks on the old Root Hall are government property until declared otherwise. When a demolition contractor is identified, the Foundation will request consideration to obtain some number to make available as mementoes.

**Has the Foundation Gift Shop moved to the new academic building?** Yes, our Army War College Foundation Gift Shop and office spaces are co-located in the new academic building. As a private organization, we maintain our authorization to operate on Carlisle Barracks IAW AR 210-22.

**Will there be a ribbon-cutting ceremony and tours of the new Root Hall at some point?** As this magazine is going to press, the official ribbon-cutting ceremony is still being planned. Construction contractors will continue working for several months to complete all aspects of the new building so "open house" tours are not planned for the immediate future. We will do our best to keep you informed as the College's plans develop and are finalized.

*Thank you for your continued support and we'll keep you posted!* Ruth Collins



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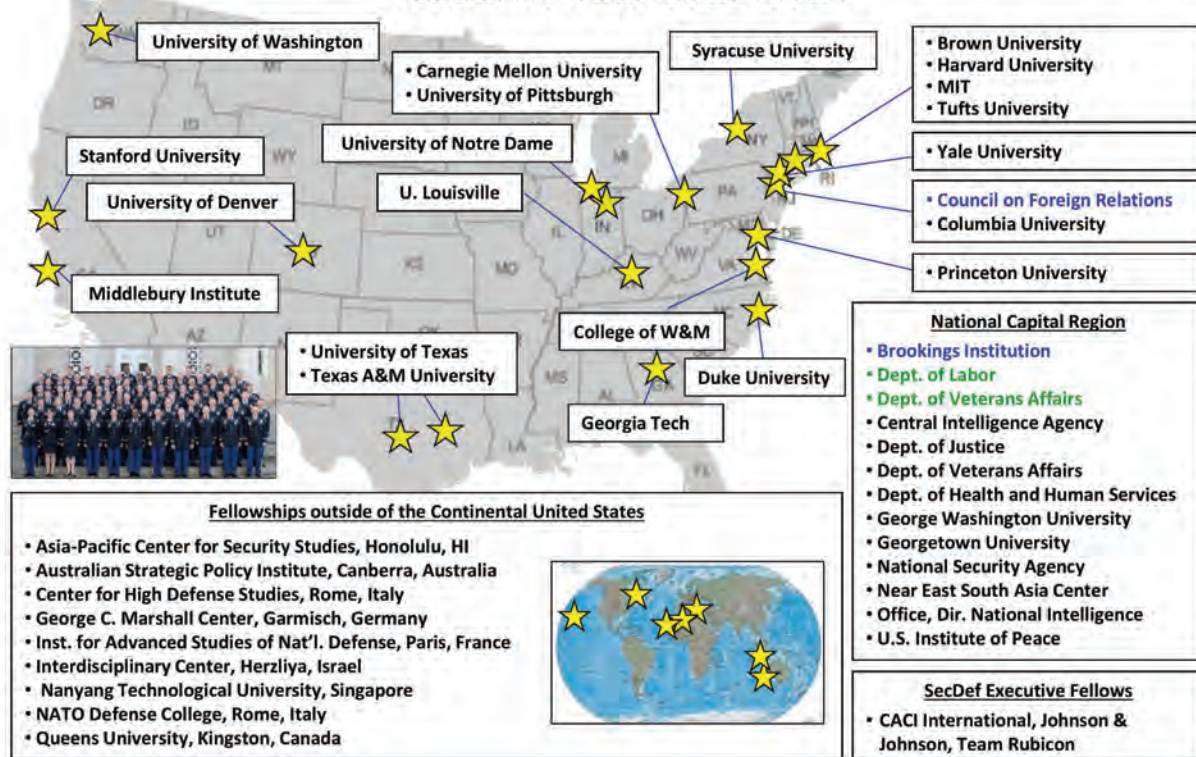


# U.S. ARMY WAR COLLEGE FELLOWS UPDATE



The USAWC-administered Fellows Programs is comprised of both CSA/SMA Senior and USAWC Fellows and both are commencing AY 2024 in August 2023 after orientations at Carlisle Barracks. There are 83 Fellows assigned to 50 separate programs in the U.S. and overseas.

## 79 USAWC Fellows, 2 CSA Senior Fellows, 2 SMA Fellows Academic Year 2023-2024



The USAWC Fellows' charter remains two-fold in terms of Army expectations. The Fellows take advantage of a learning environment that is separate and distinct from that which is traditionally offered by the war colleges, and they are to use that education for the betterment of the Army. As a matter of alignment of senior Army leader expectations, the Fellows also pursue Individual Learning Plans that parallel the learning outcomes expected of their peers in other USAWC programs. The second and equal thrust is for Fellows to represent the Army, formally and informally, at the institutions and areas to which they are assigned. Fellowships satisfy the goal of placing appropriately-educated Army ambassadors where they can represent the enterprise in both the near and long term as they hold positions of broad scope and great responsibility, work in highly complex, ambiguous environments,

and deal with problems without clear-cut solutions. The CSA and SMA Senior Army Fellows are the most seasoned, helping assist those who would deliberate on the larger security challenges faced by the nation at senior Army leadership levels.

The photographs that follow are primarily of the AY23 cohort that just graduated, with several former Fellows included. These future senior leaders continued to enhance their critical thinking skills, academic expertise, and professional networks during the latter half of the academic year, and as you can see, a number of them attended the Resident course graduation in person.

*by COL (Ret) Phil Evans,  
Fellows Director for Academics and Engagement*



# U.S. ARMY WAR COLLEGE FELLOWS UPDATE CONTINUED

1. AY23 USAWC Fellows participated in the resident graduation and award recognition on June 9, 2023. Shown here after the end of the ceremony, L-R: LTC Maria Pescatore (GWU), COL Chante Pondexter (NSA), LTC Anthony Calingo (Carnegie Mellon), COL Dan Brice (Indiana University), LTC Ben Donham (Harvard), LTC John Turner (MIT), LTC Ryan Leary (ODNI), and COL Jason Schuerger (Tufts).



2. LTC Ben Donham (Harvard), is congratulated by LTG Jim Rainey, former Fellow at the University of Denver's Korbel School, on June 9, 2023. Ben was a CJCS writing award winner this year.



3. LTC Anthony Calingo (Carnegie Mellon University) was interviewed about his Fellowship experience by Ms. Patricia Hayes from the Fellowship Program following the June 2023 resident class graduation ceremony.



4. The Army has a new Fellowship at Brown University's Watson Institute in AY 24. In order to set final conditions for the start of a new year, the Fellows Program visited the campus in June 2023. L-R: Prof. Dave Polatty, Fellowship host; Mr. Phil Evans, Fellows Program Director for Academics and Engagement; COL Lauren Miller, Fellows Chair; and MAJ(P) (USMC) Kingslee Gourrick, on hand to discuss the student experience at Brown.



5. USAWC Program visit to the Duke Sanford Fellowship in March 2023. L-R: COL (CH) Jay West; COL Lauren Miller; Ms. Luz Ruiz (FBI Fellow); COL James Stultz; COL Andy Brokhoff; COL Nate Whitfield; and Duke Program Administrator Prof Tim Nichols.



6. Chante Pondexter (National Security Agency Fellow) and a USAWC Writing Award winner, was promoted to Colonel with the assistance of his family in April 2023.

7. LTC Cody Workman (Texas A&M), describes his completed USAWC research requirement for an audience of academics and students at the Bush School of Government.

8. The Carnegie Mellon University's Institute for Politics and Strategy (IPS) held their Military Fellows Reception on April 26, 2023 for officers from the Coast Guard, Army, and Navy. Shown center right is USAWC Fellow COL Kelly Ryan, and at center left is Ms. Abby Schachter, NSS '23, Fellows Program Manager at IPS.



9. BG Rebecca McElwain, center, with her spouse, on the occasion of her promotion to that rank. BG McElwain was a former Fellow at NESAs (AY18). To her left, in order, are former Fellows COL Sara Dudley (Yale AY18), COL Tina Schoenberger (ODNI AY23), and COL Tim Renahan (Yale AY21).



10. Shortly after departing his Fellowship at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, COL Jason Williams, center, assumed command of the 32nd Medical Brigade on July 13, 2023.



# U.S. ARMY WAR COLLEGE FELLOWS UPDATE CONTINUED



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**11.** GEN **James McConville**, CSA and USAWCF '02, congratulated USAWC Fellow **LTC Aaron Teller** (Harvard) at the completion of the 26.2-mile Tough Ruck competition. The event is associated with the Boston Marathon held the day prior in Concord, MA. Aaron placed first in his age category and raised support for the Military Friends Foundation.



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**12.** USAWC Fellows with duty in the National Capital Region met for lunch in Pentagon City on January 19, 2023. Fellows reconnected with one another, talked about current progress within each Fellowship, and had a collegial conversation regarding prep for academic deliverables.

**13.** COL **Dan Brice**, right, USAWC Fellow at Indiana University, met with IU Provost **Dr. Rahul Shrivastav** to discuss the value of the academic year and the Russian and East European Institute.

**14.** LTC **Randall Cobb** (Medtronic), COL **Ernest Lane** (AT&T), and COL **Steve Walker** (Pratt and Whitney) gathered as part of the SecDef Executive Program where they learn at corporations across the U.S. The joint service participants assemble throughout the year at company days sponsored by their hosts. This one was hosted at the Honeywell Company Day on February 14 2023.



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**15.** Mr. **Rob Elliott**, host, and COLs **Aaron Teller** and **Bridget Dalziel**, USAWC Fellows at Harvard University, participated in a studio broadcast professional development session arranged by the Liberty Mutual Insurance for their remote employees. This is a way Fellows can support topics of mutual interest, such as leadership, change management, and cybersecurity.

**16.** GEN **James McConville**, CSA, and SGM **Eric McCray**, SMA Fellow at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, for a CSA session held at AUSA Headquarters for Fellows, plus other junior officers and NCOs whose day-to-day duties place them in external organizations such as the interagency and on Capitol Hill.



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**17.** There are **four USAWC Fellows** participating in the joint SecDef Executive Program. Each host conducts a Company Day to expose members of the cohort to different host sites throughout the Fellowship. The program held a Company Day at Deloitte in Rosslyn, VA, on January 26, 2023 and had multiple guest speakers to include CEO **Dan Helfrich**.

**18.** SMA Fellows past and present meet with SMA **Michael Grinston** during a celebration of the Army's Birthday in the NCR. L-R: SGM **Eric McCray**, at the Department of Veteran's Affairs; SGM (Ret) **Kris Rick**, formerly at the Department of Labor; SMA **Grinston**; and SGM (Ret) **Jeff Cereghino**, formerly at the VA.



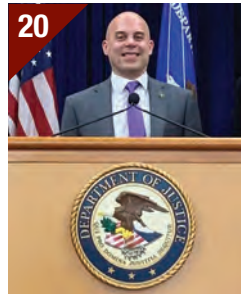
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**19.** The USAWC assists Texas A&M every academic year for the conduct of an International Strategic Crisis Negotiation Exercise. The ISCNE tests the ability of student participants to press the point of their assigned nation on an international stage. CDR (Ret) **Cliffy Zukowski**, USN, at left is the CSL point man for the ISCNE and **current and past USAWC Fellows** typically assist as small group mentors for the student groups.



# U.S. ARMY WAR COLLEGE FELLOWS UPDATE CONTINUED

**20. COL Rob Rodrigues**, Fellow at the Department of Labor's Office of Legal Policy, checked out the podium in DOJ's Great Hall.



**21. COL Jon Warr**, left, Fellow at the Daniel K. Inouye Asia Pacific Center for Security Studies, at the end of a security cooperation course he facilitated as part of his Fellowship.



**22. COL Phil Buswell**, Fellow at the Institute of Higher National Defence Studies in Paris, is decidedly not in Paris in this photo, taken at the Jungle Warfare School in French Guiana. Phil is at center left.



**23. LTC Wendy Tokach**, Fellow at Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, with Canadian Fellow **Col Cathy Blue** at the Canadian Defence and Security Network Year Ahead Conference.



**24. LTC Saul Arroyo**, SecDef Executive Fellow, was able to visit key organizations in the UK as part of his Fellowship with Leidos. He was able to observe how the UK conducts warehousing and supply chain management in detail. He is shown here with **Brigadier General Anna Luedicke**, Head of Commissioning and Management Organization, Ministry of Defense at MOD Abbey Wood.



**25. LTC Jason Kim** (Stanford's Freeman Spogli Institute), conducted a policy workshop on February 1, 2023 discussing U.S. national security strategy.



**26. COL Lauren Miller**, Fellows Program Chair, conducted a visit with **LTC Maria Pescatore**, Fellow at the George Washington University, in May 2023 and also met with her host advisers and faculty members.



**27. COLs Henry Brown and Joshua Gaspard**, Fellows at Stanford University, attended an event hosted by the Hoover Institution.



**28. COL Joshua Gaspard**, right, Fellow at Stanford University, at the Bay Area West Point Society Founders Day dinner. Pictured also are twin son and daughter Joshua and Penelope Gaspard, with West Point Dean **BG Shane Reeves** at center.



**29.** The University of Texas at Austin's Clements Center for National Security recognized the Military Fellows at graduation. L-R: Navy Fellow **Commander Kevin Barrett**, and Army Fellows **LTC Clay McVay**, **LTC Kyle Baer**, and **LTC Joe Handke**.



**30.** L-R: **LTC Maria Pescatore** (GWU), **COL Tina Shoenberger** (ODNI), and **LTC Sarah Eccleston** (HHS) attended a spring 2023 AUSA presentation.



**31. COL Kim Pringle** (University of Louisville) and **COL Jason Williams** (VA) met at the Colonels Pre-command Course at Ft. Leavenworth in March 2023.



**32. COL Phil Buswell** (Institute of Higher National Defence Studies in Paris), in a photo taken on the Korean DMZ, part of a field studies trip to South Korea sponsored by IHEDN.





# BOOKS BY GRADS AND FACULTY

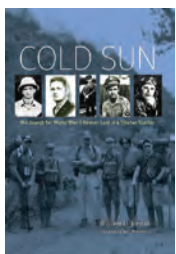


**Mr. President** by **W. Hugh Long, DCS '80**. In this novel, John Rock was a country boy from humble beginnings, but that never stopped him from dreaming big. Always dedicated to being the best, John's ambition was only matched by his love for his God, family, and country. As John Rock grows from a boy to a man, he must decide what is most important. In this coming-of-age story, we witness John's transformation from a poor kid growing up in Mississippi to the most powerful man in America.



**Outnumbered 20-to-1: A Vietnam Biography** by **COL (Ret) William P. Collier, Jr., RES '84**. Like many of his fellow soldiers and officers who returned home from the Vietnam War, Collier kept many of the stories

of his experiences to himself. However, there is one story that Collier knew had to be shared in his lifetime, the story of the Battle of Mo Duc—one of Vietnam's final high-intensity slugfests leading up to the signing of a peace agreement that would conclude the war. Then Major Collier and his team went into the Battle of Mo Duc believing it was a hopelessly unwinnable situation with all the odds stacked against them. Yet, even as they faced their seemingly sure defeat and certain death, they persevered to victory through what Collier feels can only be described as the grace of God. Collier's story is not only a story of perseverance and heroism, but of our communion with the divine fabric of existence itself.



**Cold Sun: The Search for WWII Airmen Lost in a Tibetan Glacier** by **COL (Ret) William H. Jordan, RES '90**. In January 1944, a U.S. Army Air Corps transport, enroute

to its home base in India, crashed into a remote snowfield in Tibet. The snowfield glaciated, completely hiding the aircraft until

its accidental discovery by a Tibetan hunter in 1993. A nearby Chinese army garrison launched a reconnaissance of the site, brought out remnants of the plane and remains of the crew, and then notified the American Embassy in Beijing. Jordan, then commander of the U.S. Army Central Identification Laboratory in Hawaii, was assigned to investigate the site and to recover, identify, and repatriate the remains of the crew. He recounts these events, including the final, solemn duty of officially informing the family members of the fate of their loved ones. He weaves the mission of the aircraft and the crew's fate through the prism of America's history and progress recovering, identifying, and honoring our fallen warriors.



**For Those Who Still Care: The Vietnam War, An Engineer's Story** by **COL (Ret) Ivan V. Beggs, DCS '93**. With the context of the Vietnam War still debated after 50+ years — how and why the U.S. became mired in student unrest, political assassinations, anti-war protests, civil rights, corrupt and incompetent Vietnamese governments, and U.S. leaders with doubts about the war — Beggs relates that his soldiers would ask, "Why are we here?" and he would most often respond, "Let's do our jobs and go home." He writes about how they served their country as engineers, not as fighters engaged in active combat, but quietly going about the nuts-and-bolts business of building and repairing roads, bridges, and infrastructure. They accomplished their missions through difficult conditions, including heavy workloads, drug abuse, racism, doubts about the war, arguments, homesickness, and heated discussions about getting the job done.



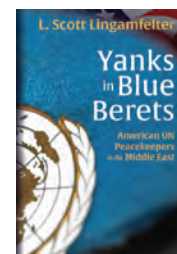
**A Tour in Chuong Thien Province: A U.S. Army Lieutenant with MACV Advisory Team 73 in the Mekong Delta, 1969-1970** by **COL (Ret) John S. Raschke, USAWCF '94**. In the summer of 1969, as the Vietnam

War was being turned over to the South Vietnamese, then Lieutenant Raschke arrived in Chuong Thien Province deep in the Mekong Delta, eager to have a positive impact. Recounting his assignment to a provincial advisory team of military and civilian personnel, this memoir depicts the ordinary and the extraordinary of life both inside and outside the wire—mortar attacks, firefights and snipers, hot showers, good meals and comradery, the life and death struggles of the Vietnamese people, and the bonds he formed with them.



**The Man Who Lived Too Much: A Wondrous Tale of the End of Days** by **COL (Ret) Shand Stringham, RES '94**. This is a novel of science fiction and fantasy that examines the fragility

and duplicitous nature of what passes for history today. While some "history" claims to provide a clear picture of past events, the veracity of written and oral histories is suspect as not entirely complete nor true and faithful in reporting what transpired in the past. The reality of the phrase, "History is written by the victor," frequently skews what ends up being recorded. Thus, although it has exceptional, rare shining moments, what passes for history throughout the ages is an artificial exposition on warfare, human bloodshed, and savagery written by those who survived to tell their version of what happened. The novel suggests a unique remedy for laying bare the elusiveness of truth provided by a group of unbiased, immortal Watchers, who observe and record the unvarnished and undistorted doings of mankind throughout the ages with all its warts, thorns, and imperfections.

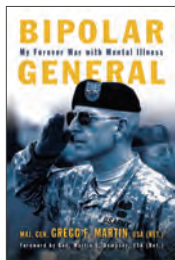


**Yanks in Blue Berets: American UN Peacekeepers in the Middle East** by **COL (Ret) L. Scott Lingamfelter, RES '97**. In 1948, the United Nations launched the UN Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO) following the conflict that erupted between Israel and its Arab neighbors opposed to the



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creation of a Jewish state. UNTSO quickly found itself overseeing the ceasefire lines between combatant parties. In the ensuing decades, as countries along the eastern Mediterranean engaged in a series of escalating military conflicts, UNTSO was continually challenged in its peacekeeping mission, often having to alter its configuration. Matters came to a head in 1982, when Israel invaded Lebanon for a second time, calling into question the efficacy of UN peacekeeping operations and U.S. support for them. As a former UN military observer with personal experiences of the conflict, Lingamfelter chronicles the role of the U.S. military in UN Middle East peacekeeping operations and examines the difficulties faced by UN forces wedged between warring sides with limited trust in their authority. This is a "boots on the ground" perspective of the Arab-Israeli tensions and geopolitics preceding the 1982 invasion of Lebanon.



***Bipolar General: My Forever War with Mental Illness* by MG (Ret) Gregg F. Martin, RES '00 and former Cmnt.**

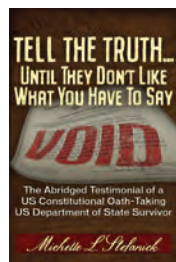
Martin describes his personal journey with undiagnosed mental illness as he rose through the ranks of the U.S. Army. As a successful Engineer officer, he was chosen to lead at virtually every level, to including leading the combat engineers who paved the way for troops to battle to Baghdad in 2003. Only years later would he learn how the pressure of organizing dozens of simultaneous life-or-death missions each day altered the biochemistry of his brain. The Iraq War triggered what psychiatrists ultimately diagnosed as late-onset bipolar disorder, a chemical imbalance that sends sufferers whipsawing between grandiose imaginings and suicidal depressions. His increasingly erratic behavior led to his forced resignation as President of the National Defense University and ended his military career. He discusses why his condition went undiagnosed for so long and explores what can be done in and outside the Armed Forces to diagnose and treat mental illness. He provides a first-hand look at

available treatments, ranging from powerful medications to electroconvulsive therapy, and the role of family, friends, and caregivers.



***The Girls Who Fought Crime: The Untold True Story of the Country's First Female Investigator and Her Crime Fighting Squad* by MG (Ret) Mari K. Eder, Ph.D. DDE '01.**

This book is about corsets, crime, and the woman who would help change modern policing forever, Mary "Mae" Foley. When women were fighting for the vote, Mae was also fighting crime in the heart of New York City with the New York Police Department, taking down rapists, bootleggers, Nazis, and serial killers. One of the first women to be sworn into the police force, Mae not only fought crime in the city that never sleeps, but also did something much bigger; she challenged the patriarchal systems that continually tried to shut her and other women down. The result of her efforts was a long career that helped over 2,000 women join her auxiliary police force, the 'Masher Squad.'



***Tell The Truth... Until They Don't Like What You Have To Say: The Abridged Testimonial of a US Constitutional Oath-Taking of State Survivor* by Ms. Michelle L. Stefanick, RES '09.**

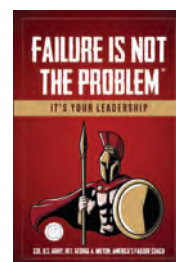
The author was assigned to the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi, Kenya as the Financial Management Center Director, when on August 7, 1998, a truck bomb exploded outside. Minutes later, a second truck bomb exploded outside the U.S. Embassy in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. She was off-site that morning or likely would not have been able to write this book about how she found herself to be a tiny hub on a "Deep State" wheel, with the spokes—the U.S. Department of State, Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Justice, FBI, and the military—all connecting to her because of money. After years as a federal auditor and then as a Foreign Service Financial Management Specialist, she became aware of and took actions regarding money

that, unbeknownst to her at the time, had linkages to covert operations. She describes what can happen when you innocently seek one truth, but discover quite another. While not a political story, it is certainly one with political overtones.



***Getting Started: An Introduction to Systematic Theology for Students and Laymen*, by CH (COL, Ret) Ralph J. Gore Jr., DDE '10.**

Gore brings more than thirty years of Reformed theological teaching experience to this introductory guide to biblical, Christian theology. This is meant to help students and those new to or intimidated by theology "get started" in the right direction as they first learn about the God of the Bible. Gore explains key terms, historical movements, influential theologians, and different approaches to theological inquiry in a warm, approachable, and easy-to-understand tone. He also teaches methods that anyone, regardless of experience, can use to integrate theology in a biblical and balanced fashion. For students, newcomers to Christianity, or anyone with an interest in Christian theology, this is a valuable introduction to what Gore hopes will be a lifelong journey.



***Failure Is Not the Problem: It's Your Leadership* by COL (Ret) George Milton, RES '12.**

Most people in positions of leadership and authority will only talk about how to become successful when discussing leadership. In his book, Milton focuses primarily on how to become successful using your failed experiences. When he examines wildly successful people in all industries, he finds a common denominator is that they all learned how to understand, accept, embrace, and learn from their failures. No one wants to fail, but when it happens, failure can be the greatest resource to help you be all that you can be. Of course, there are many aspects to why individuals and organizations fail, but Milton wants to help



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you fail graciously, get comfortable with your failed experiences, and learn from those experiences.



### **The New Agent Orange: Comparing Dioxin Exposure in Vietnam to Gulf War Syndromes and Sicknesses** by John A. Siegfried, NSS '12.

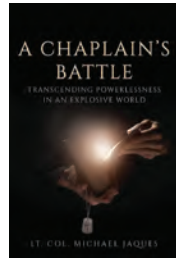
This work takes readers on a gripping journey over decades through the hidden dangers and devastating health consequences faced by servicemen and women. It weaves together personal accounts from veterans and rigorous scientific research, demanding a critical reassessment of government healthcare providers. It lays bare the urgent need to confront the health issues that burden our service population and it advocates for expedient diagnoses and comprehensive support. The PACT Act has emerged as a glimmer of hope, expediting appointments and approving claims related to toxic exposure. Yet, formidable challenges persist on the path to justice and care for afflicted veterans. Siegfried paints a vivid and haunting portrait of the situation and urges society to honor the service of veterans by confronting the ongoing health crises head-on.



### **Jon Robert Cavaiani: A Wolf Remembered** by John A. Siegfried, NSS '12 and Michael B. Evers.

From his early years to his service in the military, to his life beyond the military, the authors delve into Jon's profound commitment to serving his country. They explore the defining moments of his military career, including his deployment to conflict zones and his unwavering loyalty to his comrades. Through vivid storytelling and personal anecdotes, they provide an intimate portrayal of Jon's indomitable spirit and unwavering resolve, revealing his profound impact on those around him. By exploring the challenges and triumphs he encountered on the battlefield, they showcase his resilience and selflessness in the face of adversity. Jon was also a

multifaceted individual beyond the military, with passions, dreams, and unwavering love for his family. Through heartfelt recollections and personal insights, the authors offer a comprehensive and touching portrait of a man who embodied bravery, compassion, and dedication.



### **A Chaplain's Battle: Transcending Powerlessness in an Explosive World** by CH (COL) Michael D. Jaques, DDE '23.

Jaques confronts the sense of powerlessness often experienced by those called to the chaplaincy. A chaplain stands with people in the most challenging moments of their lives, helping them to find the strength to navigate what are often life and death struggles. Relying on the Apostle Paul's paradoxical idea of strength through weakness (2 Cor. 12:9, NIV), Jaques postulates that powerlessness is not a curse to be vanquished, but is a state of grace to be embraced. Combining the discussions of a pair of fictional chaplains with interviews with real Army chaplains, Jaques describes a journey toward spiritual maturity through a set of five Attainments. The first Attainment is the acceptance of powerlessness; the fifth, a simple statement, "I am changed." This book is helpful for chaplains of every faith and denomination, and for caregivers at home and around the world.

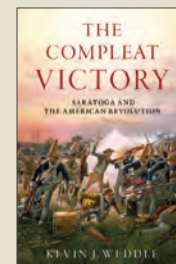


### **General & Mrs. Earle Wheeler: Their Rise to Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Amid America's Descent into Vietnam** by COL (Ret) Mark A. Viney, former FAC.

This is the biography of U.S. Army General Wheeler, a member of the small, elite fraternity selected as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He became the senior military advisor to President Johnson in 1964 and continued in this capacity under President Nixon through 1970. In disgust with their administrations' Vietnam War policies, Wheeler shredded his memoirs and died three years later in 1975. Now, based on available correspondence,

recently declassified top-secret documents, interviews with participants and their memoirs, this book and its companion book by Viney, **Determined to Persist: General Earle Wheeler, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the Military's Foiled Pursuit of Victory in Vietnam**, enable you to trace the internal debates, tensions, and critical inflection points of the Vietnam War relating to the most senior officer of the U.S. Armed Forces at that time. General Wheeler's exceptional, 46-year military career and the vital roles played by his spouse are highlighted against the backdrop of growing American involvement in Southeast Asia.

## Recent Faculty Book Honor



### COL (Ret) Kevin J. Weddle, Ph.D., RES '99 was awarded the 2021 Gilder Lehrman Prize for Military History for **The Compleat Victory: Saratoga**

**and the American Revolution** (Oxford University Press). The presentation of this prestigious award took place in New York City on November 2, 2022, hosted by the New York Historical Society, the first museum in New York City. The \$50,000 prize is bestowed in recognition of the best book in the field of military history published in English during the previous calendar year. Kevin's book also won the 2020 Society of the Cincinnati Prize and the 2022 Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award.

If you are a USAWC grad, faculty member, NSS or CNSP alum, and you published a new book, send us details at: [info@usawc.org](mailto:info@usawc.org).



The Strategic Studies Institute (SSI) and the USAWC Press continue to pursue excellence in research and publications for the U.S. Army. We continue our regionally-aligned research agenda covering significant areas of interest for combatant commands, Army Service Component Commands, and other senior leaders across the defense enterprise.

This spring we formally launched our year-long research project focused on the Korean Peninsula. This effort is examining the challenging dynamics of the U.S.-Korea alliance (now 73 years old), and the changing nature of security in northeast Asia. Part of this project will look at the nature of the U.S.-Japan-Korea trilateral cooperation and how it can foster higher levels of interoperability and security cooperation among the most important partners in the region. Other aspects will examine the evolution of the nuclear deterrent on the peninsula and how U.S. and Korean officials are maturing that aspect of the relationship. Most importantly, we will articulate how the Korean security establishment is finding nuanced ways to help preserve a free and open Indo-Pacific.

SSI continues its strong relationship with the NATO Centre of Excellence-Defense Against Terrorism (COE-DAT) and recently we were honored to participate in two events at their headquarters in Ankara, Türkiye. The Border Security in Contested Environments workshop brought in experts to discuss, examine, and share best practices in border security in non-permissive environments with the goal of providing practical recommendations for NATO and other partner nations. **LTC Paul Milas** presented on the topic of security challenges and terrorist activities in the eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo and Rwanda. At the end of June, **Dr. Carol Evans**, SSI Director, provided training support for NATO COE-DAT's basic and advanced Critical Infrastructure Security and Resiliency Against Terrorist Attacks programs.

SSI researchers continue to produce rigorous research in their respective fields and regions. **Dr. Bob Hamilton**, USAWCF '09 has been in Mongolia and Kazakhstan doing field research for a book project on China-Russia relations. The goal of the research is to examine how they interact on the ground in countries where both have important interests at stake. **Dr. John R. Deni** traveled to Bucharest, Romania and Berlin, Germany in late June, conducting research meetings in support of a research project co-authored with National Defense University's Dr. Lisa Aronsson on the role of European allies in supporting Ukraine. **Dr. Evan Ellis** and **Dr. Deni** each delivered a guest lecture to the Romanian National Defence College's student body on the future of NATO defense and deterrence posture in Europe. **Dr. Tony Pfaff** attended the International Symposium on Military Ethics conference in Athens, Greece and presented his paper "Ukraine and the Ethics of Conflict Termination."



L-R: Dr. John Deni and Dr. Evan Ellis in Bucharest.

Dr. Tony Pfaff

In our last update, we introduced the plan to establish the China Landpower Studies Center (CLSC). We are happy to report that our hiring actions for the resident research faculty are nearly complete and are pending for two research intelligence analysts. We are welcoming **COL Richard Butler, RES '16** as the CLSC's first military director, and **Mr. Josh Arostegui** as the Chair of China Research. The increased capacity and ability to focus deeply on China landpower research is important.

The USAWC Press hit a milestone in July 2023 with 1 million downloads from its Digital Commons website! The current top downloads, the monographs and books published in 2023, and the USAWC Journal *Parameters* can be viewed on the Press website at [press.armywarcollege.edu](http://press.armywarcollege.edu). A new online book review feature, launched in the spring to showcase more of the great book reviews the Press receives, can be found at [press.armywarcollege.edu/parameters\\_bookshelf](http://press.armywarcollege.edu/parameters_bookshelf). The Decisive Point and Conversations on Strategy podcasts series continue to grow their listenership with 23 episodes produced through June 2023. They can be found at [ssi.armywarcollege.edu/category/decisive-point-podcast](http://ssi.armywarcollege.edu/category/decisive-point-podcast) and [ssi.armywarcollege.edu/category/conversations-on-strategy](http://ssi.armywarcollege.edu/category/conversations-on-strategy). Two new websites hosted by the Defense Media Activity are currently in development and will be available in September. Look for the new SSI and USAWC Press website then.



**Kaitlyn Guettler** joined the USAWC Press in April 2023 as a visual information specialist. She has concentrated on building the new SSI and USAWC publications websites and handling other design needs for SSI and the Press. Kaitlyn received her bachelor's degree in digital media (with a concentration in interactive design) from Messiah University in fall 2021.



We bid farewell this summer to **LTC(P) Rob Greiner, RES '22**. Rob was a tremendous asset to SSI this past year, serving as the Deputy SRAD Director, authoring our inaugural Strategic Assessment of the Environment, and leading on numerous projects during his short time with us. Rob and his family are heading to Norfolk where Rob will assume duties at the Joint Enabling Capabilities Command.



**Dr. Nathan Freier** departed this spring after 10 years at SSI. Nate's research areas focused on national security and defense studies, and he spent the last year representing SSI and the USAWC at the Pentagon working with the Office of the Secretary of Defense. Nate assumed a permanent position there this summer and will be continuing his excellent work.

Finally, we bid farewell to **Mr. Chuck Reed**. Chuck served as SSI's administrative officer for the past five years. He took great care of SSI and USAWC Press team, managing everything from personnel actions and institute operations, to travel and conference support. Chuck is known throughout the College for his exacting management of Army processes and procedures, which allowed SSI and the Press to focus on research and publishing missions. He will be greatly missed as he takes a position with the Carlisle Barracks Installation human resources office. Thanks to Chuck.

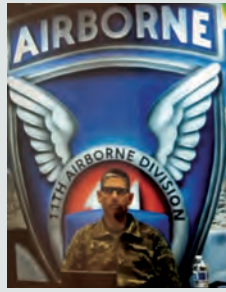
by **COL (Ret) Thomas J. Kardos, RES '10**  
Deputy Director, SSI





## POLAR BEARS

MG Brian Eifler, RES '12, CG, 11th Airborne Division, met virtually with members of the Army War College "Polar Bears" on March 16, 2023 to discuss their group research project on developing strategic relationships with indigenous people of the Arctic. AY23 Resident students COL Todd Fitzpatrick, COL Kevin Miller, Amy Brayshaw, and Distance student LTC Deborah Fisher, discussed their project and received important insights and feedback.



Four students, COL Davin Bridges, LTC Jeremy Nelson, LTC Deborah Fisher, and COL Shannon Thompson, were virtual panelists on their group research project on April 6, 2023 at the University of North Georgia Conference on Human Security. Dr. Charles Pfaff of Strategic Studies Institute was one of the conference coordinators and our panel was titled, "Putting the Past on Ice: Evolving Security Considerations Among Human Populations in a Warming Arctic."

It was a personal and professional privilege to spend Memorial Day weekend in Troy, Michigan with the Polar Bear Memorial Association. I met with the descendants of the real 31st Infantry Division\* "Polar Bears," the 5,200 nearly forgotten U.S. soldiers who fought in northern Siberia in 1918-19 as part of the American Expeditionary Force in North Russia. Many of the Polar Bears are buried in the Whitehall Cemetery in Troy, as approximately 70% of the infantrymen were from Michigan, having been selected for the North Russian campaign because of their experience with extreme cold. The bodies of those who died in Russia were returned a decade later to the cemetery in Troy. The grandchildren of those Polar Bears were very touched that a faculty member from the U.S. Army War College "Polar Bears" came to visit them at their annual remembrance event. They showed me family photographs and described the extreme service and sacrifice of their relatives who served or died in Russia as Polar Bears more than a hundred years ago, and they look forward to continued USAWC connections.

\*correction: Regiment



L-R: Mike Grobbel, President of the Polar Bear Memorial Association; Bill Munday, reenactor and member of the Color Guard; Kevin Stark, grandson of Polar Bear veteran Pvt. Louis H. Stark; Dr. Michele Devlin, USAWC; Charles Ray, reenactor and member of the Color Guard; and Jon Bozich, curator of the Michigan Heroes Museum. Photo by Sue Grobbel Davidson at the Polar Bear Monument inside White Chapel Memorial Cemetery, Troy, Michigan, May 29, 2023.

Our "On Thin Ice" Environmental Security Course students were able to tackle many complex Arctic issues this year, as many had recent experience with 11th Airborne Operations and SOCNORTH Arctic SOF Medicine. Three of our RES '23 students spoke in January at AHEC during the Great Decisions Lecture Series on Arctic Environmental Security: COL Stewart Lindsey, LTC Justin Pritchard, and LTC Sarah Witt. They discussed their group research project on command and control options in the Arctic, as well as their own specialty areas in cold weather engineering, paratrooper operations, and logistics in extreme environments. Several other students spoke at Dickinson College's Arctic Environmental Security Forum in April. COL Ben Ogden, RES '17 was a fascinating guest lecturer on the links between Antarctica and Space during our elective.

## Polar Environmental Security Forum in June.

CSL, along with the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations, Energy, and Environment) and the DoD's Ted Stevens Center for Arctic Security, sponsored a three-day Environmental Security Workshop in June 2023 focused on the two polar regions. Long-range strategic environmental security and intelligence issues impacting the Arctic and Antarctic regions were discussed by approximately 70 senior leader representatives from the DoD, DoE, State Department, National Science Foundation, NASA, and other key organizations. We extend a special thanks to the Office of the ASA-IEE HON Rachel Jacobson, as well as the Ted Stevens Center for Arctic Security, for their co-sponsorship of the event.

Michele Devlin, DrPH, RN, EMT  
Professor of Environmental Security



L-R: COL Mark Read, U.S. Military Academy; Ms. Kristen Fletcher, Naval Postgraduate School; Dr. Michelle Devlin, USAWC; and DASD Caroline Baxter, Defense Force Education and Training. DASD Baxter described how and why organizations are introducing concepts of environmental security into professional military education and through climate literacy.



L-R: Mr. Ken Quail, HQDA G2; Dr. Justin Berman, USACE; and Dr. Stephanie Schollaert Uz, NASA. Dr. Schollaert Uz described how the intelligence community and earth sciences are structuring research, data collection, and information products in response to defense agencies' intelligence requirements and how they are staying current.



L-R (standing): Dr. Lillian "DOC" Alessa, Ted Stevens Center/J7, and Mr. Lawrence Waller, USAWC. Dr. Alessa presented outcomes from the breakout group's focused discussions on operational factors for shaping polar environmental security.



# ADVANCED STRATEGIC ART PROGRAM

The Advanced Strategic Art Program (ASAP) wrapped up AY23 with the annual capstone staff ride to Sicily and Normandy. The group followed the progress of the Allied invasion of Sicily in July 1943 (Operation Husky) from the beach landings to the final evacuation of Axis troops from the island. Students were then able to assess the lessons taken from Sicily considering the Operation Overlord landings a year later in Normandy. Issues related to everything from statecraft and operational planning to defense management and strategic leadership were central to the staff ride discussions. The program finished the staff ride with an exchange at the Institute for Strategic Research at the Ecole Militaire in Paris. The focus issues for this year's presentations included Space, Lessons from the War in Ukraine, and NATO's potential response to the challenge of China. This was the 24th year the College has conducted the ASAP program.

by COL Darrell W. Driver, USAWCF '15



## Valley of the Temples in Agrigento, Sicily

**L-R front:** Kevin Hoadley, Alex Young, Donna Whittaker, Lois McKay, William "Echo" Gery, Darrell Driver, Douglas Douds, and Mary Ricks.  
**L-R back:** Shaun Conlin, Brian Riordan, Douglas Baker, Elizabeth Felling, Matthew Myer, Joseph Malone, Chuck Benton, and Douglas Graham.



## Point de Hoc in Normandy France

**L-R front:** Donna Whittaker, Alex Young, Chuck Benton, Lois McKay, Mary Ricks. **L-R back:** MG David Hill, Kevin Hoadley, Douglas Baker, Douglas Graham, Matthew Myer, Joseph Malone, Brian Riordan, William "Echo" Gery, Douglas Douds, Darrell Driver, and Shaun Conlin.



*War Room*, the Army War College's on-line journal, typically publishes one article and one half-hour podcast episode each week. Much of our content comes from faculty and students, so *War Room* is a great way for alumni to keep up-to-date with some of the cutting-edge work being done at Carlisle.

The big news for the year is the new website, which includes better search functions and the ability for users to choose light or dark backgrounds for easier reading. Please take a look by using the QR code below, going to the Army War College website and clicking on "War Room" on the main banner, or entering warroom.

armywarcollege.edu into your browser. Those interested can also subscribe to the free notification service that alerts you to new articles and podcasts.

*War Room* publishes a wide range of content. Many alumni will appreciate **Dr. John Nagl** and **Dr. Matthew Woessner's** playful article, "Ten Things I Learned by Skimming Thucydides." So far in 2023, in addition to the normal weekly releases, there have also been a number of special episodes and series, including a panel on podcasting at the Society for Military History Annual Conference, the keynote discussion of the USAWC's inaugural Civil-Military Relations Center, How *Should* the Army Run, and a three-part Afghanistan War retrospective hosted by Army War College Fellow Ranjini Danarj.

by COL J.P. Clark, Ph.D., RES '20



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# U.S. ARMY HERITAGE AND EDUCATION CENTER (USAHEC)

## Army Expo 23

Beginning this fall of 2023, USAHEC will build upon the well-established foundation laid over the years by Army Heritage Days, with a significant expansion of the program intended to better connect the American public with their Army, and to update the program into the future. In keeping with this dramatically expanded programming, Army Heritage Days will become “Army EXPO”- and the first year of this new event will be “Army EXPO 23” conducted **October 14-15, 2023**.

Army Heritage Days has been the flagship public program of the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center (USAHEC) for well over a decade. This historically-themed event has presented nearly 250 years of Army history and heritage to tens of thousands of guests in south-central Pennsylvania; and has proven to be extremely successful at fulfilling USAHEC’s mission of telling the Army story.



Visitors interact with Living Historians at Army Heritage Days.

The focus of previous Army Heritage Days was on Army history and heritage. The most dramatic and obvious upgrade in future Army EXPO events will be a substantially increased presence of contemporary and future U.S. Army operations. Future Army EXPO visitors will interact with a full range of conventional and reserve component Army organizations; and will be able to learn how the future Army is envisioned to appear. Eventually, the goal of Army EXPO will be a balanced interpretation of heritage and history, the Contemporary Army, and the Army of the Future.



The U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center is where the Past Educates the Future – modern soldiers wearing developmental vision goggles traverse a recreated World War I trench.

For this year’s Army EXPO event, Living Historians will continue their presence, demonstrating the history of the U.S. Army from the Colonial Militia of the French and Indian War, through the American Revolution. Reenactors will tell the story of World War I Doughboys, World War II and Korean War G.I.s, and the Grunts of Vietnam.

Programming that looks at the current Army will also be included in this year’s event. USAWC teammates are working towards the Army Golden Knight’s parachute team having a presence. Today’s Pennsylvania National Guard will contribute one or more pieces of Army equipment to include modern 155mm howitzers, ballistic radars, a range of military vehicles, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) and a UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter to this year’s expanded event. Contemporary U.S. Army bands and special groups will make appearances. Army recruiters will bring a trailer filled with interactive, educational exhibits for our younger audiences. Regional Veterans’ groups will also be well represented with table displays.

The new Army EXPO 23 is an integrated U.S. Army War College (USAWC) event. The various Schools, Center, Institutes and Programs (SCIPs) at the USAWC will be represented. For example, guests can anticipate multi-purpose rooms at USAHEC being filled with wargames utilized by the Army War College’s Center for Strategic Leadership to train our nation’s future warfighters, robotics, special lectures or presentations from USAWC students and faculty, and displays that look at how USAWC is experimenting with technology and modernization.

There will be an increased emphasis on the myriad of contributions that Department of the Army civilians make every day at USAWC. As Army EXPO gathers momentum, the intent is for the full realm of USAHEC facilities to be maximized.



These young visitors learn about trench warfare with doughboys in the Army Heritage Trail’s recreated World War I trench, making history a part of their future.

Come visit this year’s Army EXPO on October 14-15, 2023 and put Army EXPO 24 on your calendar for October 12-13, 2024. Each year we will increase the number and type of Army functions and operations represented and also encourage Army partners to do the same. Our intent is to attract future technologies to Carlisle Barracks so that young guests who will be our Soldiers in Army 2035 and Army 2045 will have the opportunity to explore the hardware of their future. By 2026, the full vision of the newly imagined Army EXPO will be realized.



Vietnam Firebase on USAHEC’s Army Heritage Trail.

by Douglas R. Cubbison,  
Education and Information Curator  
USAHEC

Photo by Jason Whitman Photography





## 1960s

COL (Ret) Francisco 'Frank' Ramos, RES '65 ..... April 15, 2023  
 Mr. John J. Onufrak, RES '66 ..... January 3, 2023  
 CAPT (Ret) Burl A. Troutman, Jr., USN, RES '67 .... November 29, 2022  
 MG (Ret) Phillip Kaplan, RES '68 ..... October 18, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Harry V. Dutchyshyn, RES '69 ..... May 29, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Bertram L. Parr, RES '69 ..... December 15, 2022  
 LTG (Ret) Richard G. Trefry, RES '69 (see back cover) .... February 25, 2023

## 1970s

MG (Ret) Andrew H. Anderson, RES '70 ..... April 19, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Skinner 'Andy' Anderson, RES '70 ..... February 20, 2023  
 LTG (Ret) Bennett L. Lewis, RES '70 ..... April 5, 2023  
 BG (Ret) Marion Mann, M.D., DCS '70 ..... August 20, 2022  
 Mr. Howard G. Neuberg, RES '70 ..... January 20, 2021  
 COL (Ret) Richard R. Peabody, RES '70 ..... July 7, 2021  
 COL (Ret) Thomas E. Anderson, RES '71 ..... April 7, 2023  
 MG (Ret) William E. Cooper, Jr., RES '71 ..... March 1, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Frederick E. Garman, RES '71 ..... April 26, 2022  
 BG (Ret) Theodore S. Kanamine, J.D., RES '71 ..... March 2, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Robert B. Lander, RES '71 ..... March 11, 2023  
 LTG (Ret) Bernhard T. Mittemeyer, M.D., RES '71 ..... January 25, 2023  
 BG (Ret) James E. Armstrong, RES '72 ..... April 27, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Clark A. Burnett, RES '72 ..... May 17, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Oscar 'Red' Davis, Jr., DCS '72 ..... April 29, 2023  
 COL (Ret) William A. Greynolds, RES '72 ..... October 29, 2020  
 COL (Ret) Guy M. Huskerson Jr., DCS '72 ..... December 16, 2022  
 COL (Ret) John 'Jack' Plunkett, RES '72 ..... July 16, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Frederick R. Pole, RES '72 ..... April 19, 2022  
 LTG (Ret) George R. Stotser, RES '72 ..... July 1, 2022  
 LTC (Ret) Richard H. Sugg, DCS '72 ..... April 2, 2023  
 LTC (Ret) Robert W. Welsh, RES '72 ..... January 1, 2023  
 MG (Ret) Robert E. Barrett, FAC '73-'74 ..... January 11, 2022  
 Col (Ret) William D. McWilliams III, USAF, RES '73 ..... May 10, 2023  
 COL (Ret) William J. Moran, RES '73 ..... March 12, 2023  
 MG (Ret) Scott B. Smith, RES '73 ..... July 11, 2023  
 GEN (Ret) Frederick F. Woerner, Jr., RES '73 ..... March 29, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Harold J. Bender, DCS '74 ..... December 20, 1984  
 COL (Ret) Donald R. Brown, Ph.D., DCS '74 ..... March 19, 1982  
 LTC (Ret) H. Lawrence Chambers, FAC '74-'77 ..... May 21, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Robert G. Hertel, RES '74 ..... September 12, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Wallace G. Hunt, RES '74 ..... December 19, 2022  
 CH (COL, Ret) Ernest D. Lapp, DCS '74 ..... October 25, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Laurence G. Moses, RES '74 ..... February 1, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Muri 'Dee' Munger, RES '74 ..... June 7, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Barney L. Brannen, Jr., RES '75 ..... February 21, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Gregory Darling, DCS '75 ..... February 17, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Frederick C. DeLisle, RES '75 ..... August 7, 2021  
 Col (Ret) Sergi L. Demchuk, USAF, RES '75 ..... January 4, 2022  
 Col (Ret) Robert G. Dilger, USAF, RES '75 ..... August 18, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Glenn G. Finkbiner, RES '75 ..... December 12, 2021  
 COL (Ret) Eric E. Forslin, DCS '75 ..... December 11, 1992  
 The Honorable John G. Grimes, RES '75 ..... April 14, 2023  
 Col (Ret) Jack C. Strasser, USAF, RES '75 ..... April 12, 2023  
 COL (Ret) James L. Young, RES '75 ..... July 6, 2022

COL (Ret) Charles A. Beitz, RES '76 ..... April 22, 2023  
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 BG (Ret) Harry J. Mott III, DCS '77 ..... April 19, 2023  
 MG (Ret) Thomas D. Reese, RES '77 ..... March 30, 2023  
 MG (Ret) Joseph M. Lank, DCS '78 ..... July 10, 2022  
 COL (Ret) David J. Lynch, RES '78 ..... May 9, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Paul F. Darnauer, DCS '79 ..... July 22, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Norbert 'Norb' Johnston, DCS '79 ..... February 3, 2023  
 LTC (Ret) Richard D. Lyons, FAC '79-'81 ..... May 1, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Carlos Madrid, DCS '79 ..... February 6, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Walter F. Piff, Jr., RES '79 ..... June 16, 2023

## 1980s

COL (Ret) Paul Bazilwich, Jr., DCS '80 ..... April 19, 2023  
 CAPT (Ret) Theodore E. Deming, USCG, RES '80 ..... June 12, 2022  
 COL (Ret) William G. Hanne, Ph.D., DCS '80 ..... April 22, 2023  
 Ms. Kathleen B. Hayden, RES '80 ..... June 23, 2021  
 Lt Gen (Ret) John E. Jaquish, USAF, RES '80 ..... August 19, 2021  
 BG (Ret) Richard J. Mallion, RES '80 ..... February 23, 2023  
 COL (Ret) McDonald Jones, DCS '81 ..... December 2, 1993  
 COL (Ret) Darryle 'Sam' Kouns, RES '81 ..... March 3, 2023  
 MG Slew Meng Leong, IF-Malaysia, RES '81 ..... May 6, 1986  
 MG (Ret) Robert E. Murray, J.D., RES '81 ..... April 14, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Herbert F. Prewitt, DCS '81 ..... May 4, 2004  
 LTG (Ret) Thomas G. Rhame, RES '81 (see back cover) .... June 27, 2023  
 Col (Ret) John D. Phillips, USAF, RES '82 ..... November 11, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Franklin D. Simmons, Jr., DCS '82 ..... January 25, 2023  
 LTC (Ret) Walter C. Studdard, DCS '82 ..... July 13, 2023  
 MG (Ret) Jerald N. Albrecht, RES '83 ..... April 13, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Michael B. Allen, RES '83 ..... February 15, 2023  
 BG (Ret) Douglas D. Bradley, M.D., DCS '83 ..... September 7, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Ronald J. Lenart, DCS '83 ..... September 6, 2013  
 LTC (Ret) Robert L. Vance, DCS '83 ..... November 5, 1993  
 COL (Ret) Robert A. Holden, RES '84 ..... February 10, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Osborne 'Gene' Powell, Jr., DCS '84 ..... March 18, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Wayne J. Scholl, RES '84 ..... February 8, 2001  
 COL (Ret) W. Patrick Lang, Jr., RES '85 ..... April 5, 2023  
 COL (Ret) John R. Brown, P.E., RES '86 ..... January 27, 2023  
 MG (Ret) John W. Cudmore, DCS '86 ..... February 28, 2023  
 BG (Ret) James R. Daniel, DCS '86 ..... December 17, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Douglas J. Goard, Ph.D., DCS '86 ..... December 17, 2022  
 COL (Ret) James J. Henry, DCS '86 ..... March 17, 2022  
 BG (Ret) James L. Kays, RES '86 ..... January 6, 2021  
 Col (Ret) John F. Lewis, USAF, FAC '86-'87 ..... October 28, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Alan H. Sherman, DCS '86 ..... December 28, 2021  
 COL (Ret) V. Paul Baerman, USAWCF '87 ..... March 8, 2023  
 COL (Ret) C. William Bickel, DCS '87 ..... August 27, 2022  
 CAPT (Ret) Howard S. Crosby, USN, RES '87 ..... April 16, 2022



COL (Ret) James M. Eyre, Sr., DCS '87 ..... March 23, 2022  
 LTG (Ret) Joseph R. Inge, RES '87 ..... March 23, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Michael M. Morse, Sr., DCS '87..... January 14, 2023  
 COL (Ret) David E. Shaver, RES '87..... November 9, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Franklin W. Trapnell, Jr., DCS '87 ..... May 31, 2014  
 COL (Ret) William H. Adair, DCS '88..... March 5, 2023  
 BG (Ret) R. Ogden DeWitt, Jr., D.O., RES '88 ..... June 14, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Beverly A. Greenlee-Davis, RES '88..... February 25, 2022  
 LTG (Ret) Charles S. Mahan, Jr., RES '88..... May 27, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Louis J. Darnell, RES '89..... May 1, 2023  
 COL (Ret) John 'Jack' Gloriod, RES '89..... February 18, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Edward P. Kane, DCS '89..... June 25, 2023  
 CH (COL, Ret) Marvin K. Vickers, Jr., DCS '89..... October 19, 2022

## 1990s

COL (Ret) Ronald M. Calvert, RES '90 ..... February 20, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Andrew J. Eschen, DCS '90 ..... April 7, 2015  
 BG (Ret) Ronald B. Flynn, RES '90 ..... April 8, 2023  
 BG (Ret) Robert F. Griffin, M.D., RES '90..... March 12, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Richard 'Monty' Haight, DCS '90 ..... January 20, 2023  
 COL (Ret) John Redmond III, DCS '90 ..... April 10, 2023  
 COL (Ret) George 'Dusty' Rhoades, RES '90..... February 10, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Edward J. Fitzgerald III, RES '92..... July 22, 2017  
 LTC (Ret) John D. Messer, Jr., Ph.D., DCS '92 ..... September 27, 2022  
 CH (COL, Ret) Willie P. Peacock, DCS '92 ..... January 7, 2023  
 Col (Ret) J. Walter Davis, Jr., USMC, RES '93..... February 11, 2023  
 BG (Ret) Kenneth P. Bergquist, Jr., RES '94..... June 7, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Joseph Campano, DCS '94..... July 16, 2018  
 CH (COL, Ret) John H. Cooper, RES '94..... September 14, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Michael A. Hodge, RES '94 ..... April 15, 2023  
 COL (Ret) William 'Corky' Lowe, DCS '94 ..... May 24, 2023  
 BG (Ret) Holsey A. Moorman, SRCOC '94 ..... February 7, 2023  
 BG (Ret) Kenneth L. Penttila, RES '94..... June 10, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Burton W. Tulkki, RES '94..... March 8, 2023  
 COL Paul A. White, DCS '94..... May 28, 2000  
 MG (Ret) Gary L. Harrell, RES '95..... February 14, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Alton C. McKennon, Jr., RES '95..... May 15, 2023  
 Mr. Richard J. Courtney, RES '96 ..... September 14, 2021  
 LTC (Ret) Daniel J. Davis, DCS '96 ..... June 27, 2023  
 LTC (Ret) Harold E. Hale, DCS '96 ..... August 31, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Greig W. Mitchell, RES '96..... February 9, 2023  
 MG (Ret) T. K. Moffett, USAWCF '96..... June 9, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Charles 'Chuck' Stratton IV, DCS '96 ..... March 21, 2022  
 MG (Ret) William H. Wade II, DCS '96..... August 27, 2021  
 MG (Ret) Abner C. Blalock, Jr., DCS '97..... December 13, 2022  
 COL (Ret) William L. Faistenhammer, RES '97..... November 2, 2021  
 COL (Ret) David J. Griffith, Jr., DCS '97 ..... January 25, 2023  
 BG (Ret) Thomas C. Lawing, DDE '99 ..... February 17, 2021  
 LTC (Ret) Douglas R. Thomson, RES '99 ..... December 14, 2022

## 2000s

COL (Ret) Joseph D. Celeski, RES '00..... February 13, 2023  
 CH (COL, Ret) Gene 'Chip' Fowler, Jr., DDE '00..... July 6, 2022  
 COL (Ret) Neil R. Porter, Jr., DDE '00 ..... May 12, 2022  
 Col (Ret) Glenn L. Wagner, USMC, RES '00 ..... May 6, 2023

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 COL (Ret) Jose 'Cheo' Gotay, D.M., DDE '04 ..... September 26, 2022  
 Mr. Fred Heller, NSS '05 ..... February 7, 2020  
 Mr. Mark S. Kaufmann, NSS '07 ..... November 17, 2022  
 MG Anthony W. Potts, RES '07 ..... July 25, 2023  
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 Mr. Shon D. Owens, NSS '16 ..... May 26, 2023  
 Mr. José E. Andrade, NSS '17..... October 24, 2021  
 COL (Ret) Derrick C. Long, RES '17 ..... May 20, 2023  
 Mr. Michael A. Peters, DDE '17 ..... May 4, 2023  
 COL (Ret) Edmund 'Beau' Riely, RES '18..... May 3, 2023  
 Mr. Richard B. Kelson, NSS '19..... February 13, 2021  
 LTC Francisco 'Frank' Junkin, DDE '23 ..... April 8, 2023

## Spouses

Mrs. Gloria Anderson ..... June 3, 2023  
 wife of MG (Ret) Thurman 'Gene' Anderson, RES '73  
 Mrs. Marge McIlroy ..... July 4, 2021  
 wife of COL (Ret) Wilmer L. McIlroy, Jr., RES '75  
 Mrs. Joan Watt Privette..... December 11, 2022  
 widow of COL (Ret) Jacob H. Privette, RES '76  
 Mrs. Barbara Jean Faught..... May 1, 2023  
 wife of COL (Ret) Jesse E. Faught, RES '79  
 Mrs. Alice Irene Kolin ..... June 1, 2022  
 widow of COL (Ret) Raymond A. Kolin, RES '79  
 Mrs. Cynthia Patterson ..... February 24, 2023  
 wife of COL (Ret) Joseph M. Patterson, RES '79  
 Mrs. Patricia Sciple..... April 18, 2023  
 wife of COL (Ret) Carl B. Sciple, RES '81  
 LTC (Ret) Patricia Voelz..... June 23, 2023  
 widow of COL (Ret) James H. Voelz, DCS '85  
 Mrs. Marcella Anderschat ..... March 15, 2023  
 wife of COL (Ret) Richard W. Anderschat, RES '86  
 Mrs. Annette Cowan..... July 1, 2022  
 wife of COL (Ret) Charles E. Cowan, RES '86  
 Mrs. Sharon Nix ..... April 24, 2023  
 wife of LTG (Ret) Jack P. Nix, Jr., RES '89  
 Dr. Patricia Powers..... October 22, 2022  
 wife of COL (Ret) Christopher J. Powers, DDE '98  
 Mrs. Linda Clay..... June 21, 2022  
 wife of COL Michael C. Clay, DDE '14

**CORRECTION:** In the "good news/bad news" category of sharing information about the passing of graduates, the bad news is that we made a mistake in the last magazine and printed the name of **CH (MG, Ret) David H. Hicks, RES '91** as having passed away. **YES, the great news is that he is alive and well**, and he was very gracious about accepting our sincere apology. If you're wondering how we could have done this... We had seen and initially "captured" (by mistake) a GO death announcement about another David H. Hicks. We caught our mistake, but then failed to remove the name from our magazine list. We never want to make a single mistake and especially one like this. As many of Chaplain Hicks' classmates and colleagues said when we sent a correction to them, "hallelujah, he lives!"





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### 1960s

COL (Ret) Ralph J. Puckett, Jr., RES '67 from COL (Ret) Robert D. Offer, Jr., RES '84  
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### 1980s

COL (Ret) William 'Bill' Orlov, RES '80 from COL (Ret) Patrick D. Zimlich, RES '87  
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COL (Ret) James H. Joy, RES '84 from his wife, Mrs. Sandra Joy  
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COL (Ret) Gerald W. Sharpe, RES '86 from LTG (Ret) Lawson W. Magruder III, RES '86  
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COL (Ret) John 'Mike' Taylor, RES '88 from MG (Ret) H. L. 'Peet' Proctor, RES '88

### 1990s

COL (Ret) Ryan M. Zimmerman, RES '92 from COL (Ret) Samuel R. Young, DCS '95  
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### 2000s

Lt Col (Ret) Clayton Chun, Ph.D., USAF, former FAC  
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### COL (Ret) Richard E. Bloss, RES '03

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COL (Ret) Kimo and Kristy Gallahue, RES '11  
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Mr. Thomas F. Beaty, NSS '17 from his NSS nominee, Mr. David W. Copeland, NSS '23  
CSM Brian and Monika Flom from COL (Ret) Ruth B. Collins, RES '98, AWCF Pres & CEO

### Others

The U.S. Army and the 79th Anniversary of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy  
from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22  
CSM (Ret) William and Rosa Barrineau  
from their son, COL (Ret) James 'Jim' Barrineau, RES '04  
Drs. Jim and Missy Breckenridge  
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Gulf War Veterans from BG (Ret) Roger W. Searce, RES '90  
Mrs. Mary Jannace on her 101st birthday from her son, Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22  
Korean War Armistice Day, July 27, 1953 from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22  
Mr. John Manos, BM3, U.S. Navy, Korean War from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22  
Mr. Joe Manternach from his son, Mr. Keith J. Manternach, NSS '12  
John and Stella Seal from his brother, Col (Ret) Jason Seal, USMCR, RES '02  
The U.S. Army's 248th birthday, 14 June 2023 from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22



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COL (Ret) LeRoy Strong, RES '66 from his son, Dr. Robert A. Strong  
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### 1970s

LTG (Ret) David E. Grange, Jr., RES '70 from COL (Ret) Robert H. Clark, RES '72  
Mrs. Dolores Ann Byrne from her widower, COL (Ret) John Patrick Byrne, RES '71  
MG (Ret) and Mrs. William F. Burns, RES '72 from Ms. Jo B. Dutcher, NSS '08

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from COL (Ret) Greg Camp, RES '89  
from COL (Ret) Drew Moran, DDE '99  
MG (Ret) James B. Allen, Jr., RES '78 from his widow, Mrs. Jo Lynn H. Allen  
Mrs. Barbara Faught from her widower, COL (Ret) Jesse E. Faught, RES '79  
COL (Ret) Carlos Madrid, DCS '79 from his widow, Mrs. Evangeline Madrid

### 1980s

COL (Ret) Otto P. Chaney, Jr., Ph.D., DCS '80 from COL (Ret) John 'Mike' Taylor, RES '88  
CAPT (Ret) Ted Deming, USCG, RES '80 from his widow, Hon. Rozanne L. Ridgway  
Mrs. Suzanne Hagwood  
from her widower, MG (Ret) Henry M. Hagwood, Jr., RES '80  
from MG (Ret) and Mrs. Peter Berry, RES '80  
COL (Ret) Andrew 'John' Miller, Jr., RES '80 from MG (Ret) and Mrs. Peter Berry, RES '80  
BG David H. Stem, RES '80 from MG (Ret) and Mrs. Peter Berry, RES '80





**LTG (Ret) Thomas G. Rhame, RES '81** and former AWCF Chairman

from Mr. Vinnie O. Buller  
from COL (Ret) and Mrs. Sam Chappell  
from COL (Ret) Ruth B. Collins, RES '98, AWCF Pres & CEO  
from Ambassador Frances D. Cook  
from Anonymous  
from Ms. Jo B. Dutcher, NSS '08  
from MG (Ret) Mari K. Eder, Ph.D., DDE '01  
from Beth and Jay Ellingwood  
from Greg and Glenice Gile  
from COL (Ret) Frederick R. Hoose, RES '87  
from Ms. Jessica R. Mitchell, NSS '04  
from Ms. Rebekah E. Nottingham, NSS '06  
from COL (Ret) D. A. Nowowiejski, Ph.D., DDE '01  
from BG (Ret) and Mrs. Richard W. Potter, Jr., RES '81  
from Anonymous  
from Barbara and Kimberly Stubbs  
from Michele and George Sweet

**Mrs. Patricia B. Sciple** from her widower, COL (Ret) Carl B. Sciple, RES '81

**COL (Ret) Jeanne Picariello Murphy, former FAC**

from COL (Ret) Patricia H. Jernigan, RES '84

**COL (Ret) John F. Connolly, RES '84** from BG (Ret) Anthony F. Caruana, RES '91

**COL (Ret) Robert Adair Holden, RES '84** from his widow, Mrs. Joanna Holden

**COL (Ret) John T. 'Tom' Nettleing, RES '85** from his widow, Mrs. Linda L. Nettleing

**MG (Ret) John W. Cudmore, DCS '86** from the Cudmore Family

**COL (Ret) Herbert S. Kenigsberg, D.D.S., DCS '86**

from his widow, Mrs. Norma K. S. Kenigsberg

**Mrs. Norma Gargiulo** from her widower, LTC (Ret) Mario Gargiulo, DCS '87

**Mrs. Rebekah 'Honey' Griffard** from her widower, COL (Ret) Bernard F. Griffard, DCS '87

**COL (Ret) David E. Shaver, RES '87** from his widow, Mrs. Mary Ann Shaver

**COL (Ret) Samuel W. Floca, Jr., RES '88**

from Col (Ret) George H. 'Terry' Kneen III, USAF, RES '88

**COL (Ret) Dean H. Nichols, RES '88** from COL (Ret) John 'Mike' Taylor, RES '88

**COL (Ret) Sharon I. Richie, Ph.D., RES '88** from COL (Ret) John 'Mike' Taylor, RES '88

**COL (Ret) James R. Russell, RES '88** from COL (Ret) John 'Mike' Taylor, RES '88

## 1990s

**COL (Ret) Adolf 'Dolf' Carlson, USAWCF '90** from BG (Ret) Jerry Griffin, M.D., DCS '96

**GEN (Ret) Raymond T. Odierno, RES '95** from MG Tripp Bowles, DDE '11

**Mr. Walter Kaye, NSS '96** from Samuel L. Guillory, M.D., NSS '05

**MG (Ret) Abner C. Blalock, Jr., DCS '97** from COL (Ret) Donald E. Ebert, RES '97

**COL (Ret) Richard B. Bowman, RES '97**

from his widow, Mrs. Diane Bowman and Family

**LTC (Ret) Edward J. 'Woodie' Collins, Jr.**

from his widow, COL (Ret) Ruth Collins, RES '98, AWCF Pres & CEO

from COL (Ret) Greg Camp, RES '89

from COL (Ret) Daniel E. Furtado, DCS '96

from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

from CSM (Ret) Ronald H. Rath

**COL Thomas P. Kelly, RES '98** from Anthony A. Vasile, D.O., NSS '98

**Dr. Patricia A. Powers** from her widower, COL (Ret) Christopher J. Powers, DDE '98

**SGT Patrick Hawkins, U.S. Army Ranger**

from his parents, COL (Ret) Roy and Sheila Hawkins, RES '99

## 2000s

**LTC (Ret) Woodrow Bradley, Jr., DDE '00** from COL (Ret) John 'Mike' Taylor, RES '88

**COL (Ret) Paul C. Jussel, Ph.D., RES '00**

from COL (Ret) Brett D. Weigle, Ed.D., RES '07

**BG (Ret) Brent M. Boyles, DDE '02** from BG (Ret) Dwaine E. Drummond, USAWCF '14

**COL (Ret) Edyie Rob, wife of COL (Ret) Sam Rob, DDE '02**

from MG (Ret) Dan Wright, RES '99

**Mrs. Kimberly A. Bourque**

from her widower, COL (Ret) Alan G. Bourque, RES '04

from BG (Ret) Michael Fleming, USAWCF '97

from Anonymous

from Ms. Priscilla Sellers, RES '04

from Mrs. Lisa Towery

from COL (Ret) George and Beth Woods, RES '02

**Col (Ret) Timothy D. Brown, USAF, RES '05** from COL (Ret) Brett D. Weigle, Ed.D., RES '07

**Dr. Sara L. Morgan, FAC '06-'11** from her family

**COL (Ret) Bobby A. Towery, Jr., RES '06**

from his widow, Mrs. Lisa Towery

from COL (Ret) William P. Keyes, RES '08

**COL Peter S. Nelson, RES '07** from MajGen (Ret) Kristin Lund, RES '07

**LTC (Ret) Lewis E. 'Buck' Buchanan** from his widow, BG (Ret) Janice M. Haigler, DDE '08

**COL Jerry D. Cashion, RES '08**, from the family of Dr. Sara L. Morgan, FAC '06-'11

**Col Adrian 'Kermit' Pone, USAF, RES '09** from Col (Ret) Mitch L. Berger, USAF, RES '09

## Others

**Dorothea and Michael Addeo, Sr.** from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

**LCDR Walter R. Barranger, USNR** from his son, Mr. Walter Baranger, NSS '10

**SGT Paul J. 'Red' Bearden, KIA 23 July 1944** from BG (Ret) Roger L. Ward, DDE '00

**Mr. John C. Brick** from his son, Mr. C. Victor Brick, NSS '19

**COL (Ret) Robert B. Franklin, Sr.** from his son, COL (Ret) Robert 'Tip' Franklin, Jr., RES '83

**Mr. Gary C. Friedrich** from George and Mimi Rubin

**CPT Arthur Haywood Green, KIA 3 August 1967, Vietnam**

from COL (Ret) Raymond E. Burrell, DCS '77

**SP5 Allen Carson Hardison, KIA 2 February 1968** from BG (Ret) Roger L. Ward, DDE '00

**MAJ Doug LaBouff** from COL (Ret) Dave Clark, RES '06

**Dick and Alexandra Levasseur**

from his brother, COL (Ret) Ernest 'Ernie' Levasseur, DCS '88

**Senator Madison E. Marye, MAJ, AUS** from his son, COL (Ret) James 'Jim' Marye, RES '04

**Adele H. Mitchell** from her son, COL (Ret) Ralph Mitchell, RES '84

**LTC Thomas J. Novak** from COL (Ret) Robert A. Bradford, DCS '97

**Mr. John J. Pohanka** from the Pohanka Family Foundation (Mr. Chris Pohanka, NSS '14)

**SGT Glynn G. Raby, Jr., 9th Inf Reg, 2ID, Battle of the Bulge, Liberation of Pilsen,**

**WWII** from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

**MAJ Alan Rogers** from COL (Ret) Dave Clark, RES '06

**Medal of Honor Recipient CPL Luther H. Story, KIA 1 Sept 1950, Korea**

from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

**ILT James Mansfield Symington, 23rd Inf, 2nd Div**

from his grandson, Mr. James McKim Symington, Jr., RES '01

**Arthur and Nellie Tookes** from their granddaughter, COL (Ret) Rolanda D. Colbert, RES '16

**Ukrainians who sacrificed their lives for liberty** from LTC (Ret) J. F. Carter, DCS '88

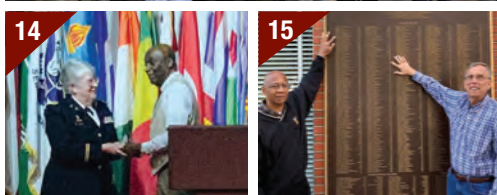
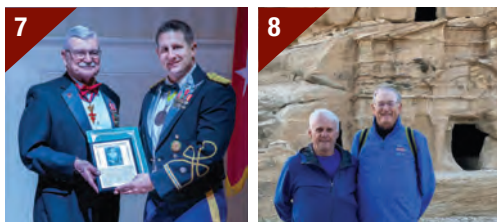
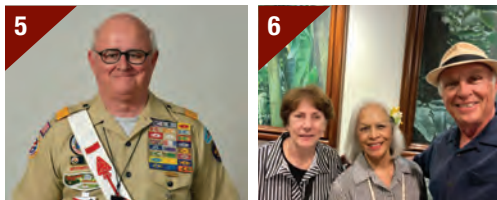
**Reverend Father Alexander Veronis, Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church,**

Lancaster, Pennsylvania from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

**Willie and Abbie Weaver** from their granddaughter, COL (Ret) Rolanda D. Colbert, RES '16

**SAVE THESE DATES for Upcoming Class Reunions.** If you are a graduate of the **Class of 2001**, we are planning your "make-up 20-year reunion" for **April 11-13, 2024**. If you are a graduate of the **Class of 2002**, we are planning yours for **May 16-18, 2024**. Reunions are for all Resident and Distance Class grads and USAWC Fellows. If you want to make sure we have your current mailing address, please send it to us via email at: [info@usawc.org](mailto:info@usawc.org).





**1. LTG (Ret) Donald W. Jones, RES '78**, continues his philanthropic work since 2016 as a board member of the Friends in Crisis Homeless Shelter. Among the residents are 26 veterans; Jones spent Easter weekend delivering goodies to the shelter. Jones was honored as a USAWC Outstanding Alum in 2012 for his charitable work in retirement.

**2. COL (Ret) Arnold 'Arnie' Daxe, Jr., DCS '83** was inducted into the Military Police Regimental Hall of Fame in May 2022. The presentation was made by MP School Commandant, BG Niave F. Knell. Arnie's son Jeff was in attendance.

**3. COL (Ret) Donald G. Patton, RES '85** was selected to raise the flag for the Minnesota Twins MLB game on his 84<sup>th</sup> birthday in July 2023. Assisting him were his son, **Col (Ret) Jeffrey S. Patton, USAF, RES '15**, and grandson, Jack.

**4. COL (Ret) Martin S. Kleiner, DCS '89** received the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award from the Federal Aviation Administration in March 2023 with his wife **Carolyn (RES '08)** by his side. This FAA award recognizes pilots who have practiced safe flight operations continuously for at least 50 years.

**5. COL (Ret) Kenneth P. Davis, Ph.D., DCS '93** was honored by the Philmont Staff Association (PSA) with the 2023 PSA Distinguished Staff Alumni Award. Ken is a previous recipient of the Order of the Arrow's Distinguished Service Award, the BSA's Silver Buffalo Award, and is a USAWC Outstanding Alum.

**6. MG (Ret) Virgil 'Duz' Packett, USAWCF '93** and his wife, Ululani, attended the book presentation given by **MG (Ret) Mari K. Eder, Ph.D., DDE '01 (left)** in Hawaii at the Aviation Museum in February 2023. Eder and Packett served on the Foundation Board of Trustees together for a number of years.

**7. MG (Ret) Robert S. Silverthorn, Jr., DCS '93** and **MG (Ret) Thomas R. Tempel, Jr., RES '07** were both inducted into the Blue Mountain Battalion ROTC Hall of Fame on February 25, 2023 at the Gettysburg Hotel, though Temple could not attend. Silverthorn graduated from Dickinson College in Carlisle and Tempel from Gettysburg College. The Professor of Military Science presenting the award was LTC Kevin F. Krupski, Dickinson College Army ROTC which supports several central Pennsylvania ROTC programs.

**8. COL (Ret) Michael T. Metcalf, DCS '94 (left)** and **COL (Ret) James P. 'Jim' Hayes, DCS '94** visited Petra in Jordan on a tour of many countries in the Middle East. They

definitely get the "most traveled award" of any grads we know!

**9. COL (Ret) Thomas 'Doc' Brown, DCS '95 (second from the left)** returned to USAWC for a visit with his guests, L-R: Steve Latza, Father Michael Stalla, and Frank Miotke. Foundation COO, **BG (Ret) Mark O'Donnell, RES '13**, is in the middle of this photo.

**10. COL (Ret) James 'Jim' Perlmutter, RES '95** was honored by The Virginia War Memorial in Richmond at an event in January 2023 commemorating the 50th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War. His image and story were part of the 6-month long display in the gallery at the Memorial. The Director of the facility, Dr. Clay Mountcastle, is the son of a former USAWC faculty member, **BG (Ret) John 'Jack' Mountcastle, RES '85**. Fellow alums **COL (Ret) Barry Wingard, RES '95**, and **MG (Ret) Harry Burchstead, DDE '97** were on-hand for the unveiling.

**11. COL (Ret) Samuel R. Young, DCS '95** began playing Taps at military funerals 61 years ago. In the past 10 years, he estimates he has played Taps over 1,000 times for U.S. service members and veterans. He was recently awarded the David K. Clapsaddle Memorial Educator Award for his work at Fort Larned.

**12. COL (Ret) John J. Twohig, RES '96** was inducted into the Army's Force Management Hall of Fame on June 1, 2023, presented by BG Michelle A. Schmit.

**13. MG (Ret) Raymond Carpenter, RES '97** and **COL (Ret) Lowell M. Davis, RES '79** were honored with the naming of a building during a ceremony to recognize the achievements and legacy of former South Dakota National Guard (SDNG) members at Joint Force HQs on Camp Rapid, Rapid City, on July 6, 2023. The keynote speaker for the ceremony was **MG Jeffrey 'Jeff' Marlette, RES '10**, who relinquished command of the SDNG on August 5, 2023, having served as The Adjutant General since June 2019. In the photo, Marlette is on the far left, Davis is 3rd from the left, and far right is Carpenter.

**14. COL (Ret) Carol A. Huebner, Ph.D., DDE '98** presented "Vignettes of Women in Military Service" to international students attending the Defense Language Institute's English Learning Center at Lackland AFB, Texas during Women's History Month in March. She highlighted hard work and ability in the success of military women through past and recent history.

**15. MG (Ret) Stuart M. Dyer, DDE '01** was back in Carlisle and met up with **COL (Ret) Charles 'Chuck' Allen, RES '01** to check out their names on the class plaque.



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**16. MG Mari K. Eder, Ph.D., DDE '01** was recently presented the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) Medal of Honor. The Medal is presented to those who exhibit outstanding patriotism, leadership, and service, providing lasting contributions to our American heritage. Previous winners include Tom Brokaw and Barbara Bush. MG Eder is pictured with NSDAR President General Pamela Rouse Wright.

**17. MG (Ret) William 'Will' Grimsley, RES '01** was awarded the distinguished Order of the Palmetto, South Carolina's highest civilian honor, by Gov. Henry McMaster in March 2023. Grimsley had been the Secretary of Veterans' Affairs for the state since 2020 and announced his retirement earlier this year.

**18. MG (Ret) Margaret 'Peggy' Wilmoth, Ph.D., DDE '01, AWCF BoT,** has been selected as the 2023-24 National Academy of Medicine (NAM) Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence, a year-long immersion experience for an Academy Fellow to leverage their expertise and play a prominent role in health policy at the federal level.

**19. BG (Ret) Burdett K. Thompson, RES '04** is the new President & CEO of the Army Historical Foundation effective April 2023.

**20. COL (Ret) Alex 'Alpo' Portelli, DDE '05** recently traveled to the Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, Australia having been selected as the Rotary District 7670 Governor for 2025-2026. While in Australia, he was able to catch up with all three of the Australian IF families from 2010 to 2012, the period when he was Director of the USAWC IF Office.

**21. Col (Ret) Paul de B. Taillon, Jr., IF-Canada, DDE '06,** and his wife Kimberly visited USAWC on May 5, 2023 and enjoyed an impromptu tour of Root Hall, Bliss Hall, and the IF Hall of Fame. Paul is shown here pointing to the photo of his colleague and IF Hall of Fame inductee, **GEN Wayne D. Eyre, RES '12.**

**22. MG Matthew P. Beevers, DDE '07** has been appointed as the Adjutant General at the California Military Department by Gov. Gavin Newsom.

**23. MG (Ret) Todd B. McCaffrey, RES '07** was nominated by Gov. Henry McMaster to serve as the next Secretary of the South Carolina Department of Veterans' Affairs.

**24. Dr. Diana B. Putman, RES '08,** a career Senior Foreign Service Officer at the rank of Minister Counselor (2-star equivalent) retired after 39 years from the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) in November 2022. She is pictured with the Administrator of USAID, Samantha Power.

**25. COL (Ret) Michel Duhamel, IF-Canada, RES '09** found himself in the gym alongside **COL (Ret) Donald 'Don' Volta, RES '83** aboard the cruise ship Seven Seas Explorer in March 2023. They were onboard headed to Japan for a special event for veterans. It is indeed a small world for USAWC grads!

**26. CDR (Ret) Bruce A. Apgar, RES '10** and **COL (Ret) Douglas 'Doug' Mastriano, RES '10** attended the JROTC Military Ball with their spouses Karin Apgar and Rebecca Mastriano in Chambersburg Area Senior High School where Apgar is currently the Navy JROTC Senior Naval Science Instructor. Mastriano is currently serving at the PA State Senator from the 33rd District.

**27. LTC (Ret) James 'Jim' Di Crocco III, DDE '10** traveled to Cambodia in November 2022 and met up with **MG Yoeun Yan, IF-Cambodia, RES '18** to tour the Angkor Wat complex.

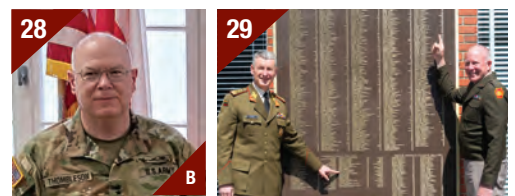
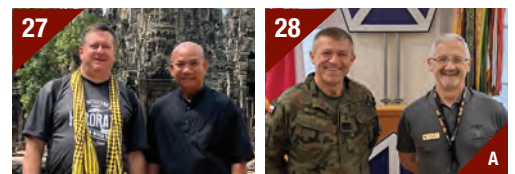
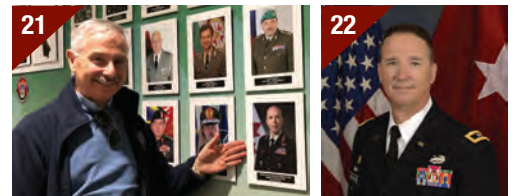
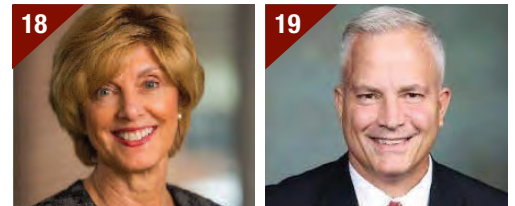
**28. MG Adam Joks, IF-Poland, RES '11,** and **MG Timothy N. Thomblason, DDE '12** are, both currently working at V Corps in Poznan, Poland and were visited by **Dr. Michael Lynch, FAC,** in April 2023.

**29. MG Mark J. Schindler, DDE '11** 54th Adjutant General of Pennsylvania (on the right), attended the IF Hall of Fame induction for **LTG Valamaras Rupsys, IF-Lithuania, RES '11** and both were happy to find their names intact on their bronze graduation plaque. In addition to being Class of 2011 members, they are also colleagues in the State Partnership Program.

**30. BG (Ret) Ronald P. Welch, DDE '11** was nominated by Gov. Lamont to serve as Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs.

**31. COL (Ret) Jesse D. Galvan, RES '12** was one of 12 distinguished Kansas State University alumni honored as 2023 Alumni Fellows. The Fellows are chosen based on their high levels of professional accomplishment and distinguished service in their respective careers.

**32. MG Janeen L. Birkhead, DDE '13** and other Maryland State Partner Program members visited Mr. David P. Haugen, political counselor for the Embassy of the U.S. (left) at the Chief of Mission Residence, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina on June 20, 2023. L-R: Haugen; **Birkhead;** Mr. Michael John Murphy, U.S. Ambassador; **COL Andrew Collins, DDE '18,** Deputy Adjutant General for Maryland; and **LTC Marci Sam, DDE '23,** Maryland National Guard legal advisor (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Airman Rachel Underwood)



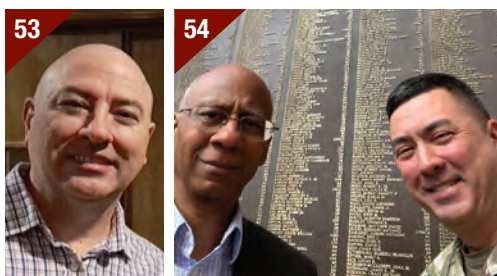
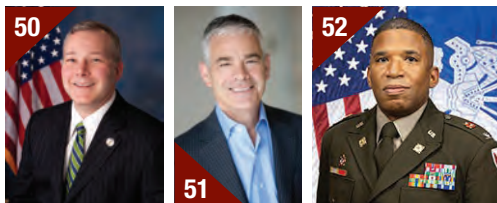
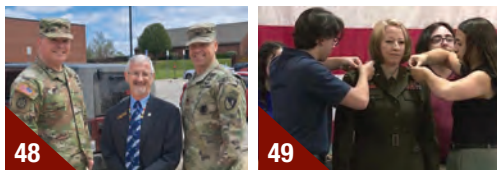
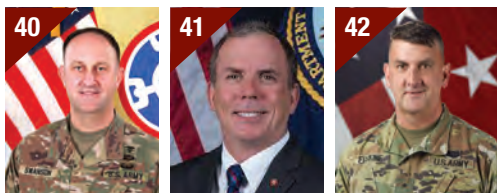
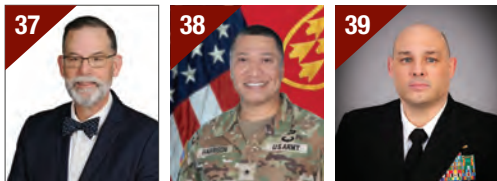


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**33. COL (Ret) Kenneth 'Kenny' Mintz, RES '13** completed an epic 7-month adventure in 2022 by walking from Washington, DC to southern California "to honor the guys lost in combat and honor the guys I served with." His path retraced the route he and his single mother drove when he was a child moving across the country. His journey raised support for pancreatic cancer and several veterans organizations, including The Independence Fund, an organization helping wounded veterans.

**34. BG Stephen E. Osborn, DDE '13** was selected by Gov. Kim Reynolds as the 28th Adjutant General of the Iowa National Guard.

**35. MG James W. Ring, DDE '13** was appointed as the 29th Adjutant General of Virginia effective June 2023.

**36. RES '14 alums COL Issac O. Johnson, BG Jeffrey 'Jeff' Watkins, COL (Ret) Seena C. Tucker-Williams and COL (Ret) Nick Johnson (left to right)** gathered in Columbus, Ohio in February 2023 on the occasion of BG Watkins's promotion.

**37. COL (Ret) Robert 'Bob' DeSousa, RES '14** has been added to the national law firm Eckert Seamans as Government Affairs counsel in the firm's Harrisburg office. He joins Eckert Seamans having most recently served as State Director for U.S. Senator Patrick Toomey.

**38. BG Richard A. Harrison, RES '14** has been assigned Commanding General, 32nd Army Air and Missile Defense Command, Fort Bliss, Texas.

**39. CAPT Bryan Leese, RES '14** was recently awarded a Ph.D. in War Studies from King's College in London, England.

**40. BG Justin M. Swanson, DDE '14** was recently assigned as Commander (TPU), 377th Theater Sustainment Command, New Orleans, Louisiana.

**41. Dr. Rory A. Cooper, NSS '15**, Director of the Human Engineering Research Laboratories (HERL) at the University of Pittsburgh, has been named to the 50th class of the prestigious National Inventors Hall of Fame for his inventions in mobility technology to aid wheelchair users. He is one of 16 inductees in the 2023 class who will be honored in Washington, D.C., on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

**42. BG Todd L. Erskine, RES '15** was recently assigned as Commander (TPU), 310th Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), Indianapolis, Indiana.

**43. BG Ronald Ragin, USAWCF '15** connected with Dr. Michael Lynch, FAC in Wiesbaden, Germany in April 2023. Ragin

is DCG-Support, Security Assistance Group-Ukraine (SAG-U).

**44. BG Lori L. Robinson, RES '15** was selected as the 80th Commandant of the U.S. Corps of Cadets, U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

**45. MG Brett G. Sylvia, USAWCF '15** has been selected as Commanding General, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

**46. BG Warren L. Wells, RES '15** with Dr. Michael Lynch, FAC, at Fort Belvoir where Wells is creating the HQs for the Office of the Special Trial Counsel.

**47. BG Craig Strong, DDE '16** is slated to become Adjutant General of the Nebraska National Guard as announced by Gov. Pillen in May 2023.

**48. BG John R. Pippy, DDE '17** with Dr. Michael Lynch, FAC, and COL Anthony P. Barbina, RES '19 at Fort Leonard Wood in April 2023.

**49. BG Tracey L. Poirier, RES '17** was recognized as the first female Brigadier General in the history of the Vermont Army National Guard during a ceremony on July 26, 2023.

**50. COL John 'Tim' Griffin, DDE '18** was sworn in as Arkansas's 57<sup>th</sup> Attorney General in January 2023. Griffin previously served as Lt. Gov. from 2015-2023 and as a Member of Congress from 2011-2015. He is serving his 27<sup>th</sup> year as an officer in the U.S. Army Reserve JAG Corps.

**51. Mr. Scott Becker, NSS '19, AWCF BoT**, was honored this year with the Father Walter Reger Distinguished Alumnus Award - the highest honor bestowed by the Saint John's University Alumni Association for service to his alma mater.

**52. COL Eric A. McCoy, RES '19** relinquished command of Anniston Army Depot in July and returned to the Washington, DC area to serve on the Joint Staff at the Pentagon.

**53. COL Jean-Paul 'JP' Plamondon, DDE '19** is currently serving at the Chief of Staff, 412<sup>th</sup> Theater Engineer Command and was visited in April 2023 by Dr. Michael Lynch, FAC, at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

**54. LTC David 'Dave' Olsen, RES '20** returned to Carlisle for a session with AY23 Seminar 'Super' 7 and stopped to check out his class plaque with COL (Ret) Charles 'Chuck' Allen, RES '01.

**55. COL Heather L. Smigowski, DDE '20**, DDE Department Chair, met with cadets and



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was honored as the 2022 Western Michigan University (WMU) ROTC Wall of Fame awardee. She is shown here with her husband, CAPT R. K. Crim (USN, Ret), and LTC Caitlin Hinterman, WMU ROTC PMS.

**56. COL Heather L. Smigowski, DDE '20**, met with current DDE '24 students during their First Resident Course who are all fellow alums from Western Michigan ROTC. L-R: **LTC Daniel E. Lotz, LTC Brian M. Mandock, COL Smigowski, and Jason K. Dunn.**

**57. COL Paul M. Colthirst, DDE '21 and COL Anna L. Aldana, DDE '21** attended the U.S. Army Dental Corps monument dedication at JBSA San Antonio in March 2023. Colthirst is the Commander of the Fort Cavazos Dental Activity and set to take command of Dental Health Command-Pacific in August 2023. Aldana is the Commander of the 455th Dental Company Area Support in Massachusetts. The dental monument recognizes and honors the selfless contributions made by the diverse members of the Army Dental Care System and its key support components in the overall mission of Army Medicine.

**58. CDR Michael M. Posey, RES '21 and Dr. Brett Weigle, RES '07** presented a 3-day workshop on operational art and operational design to faculty and students at the Army War College Nigeria in July 2023. L-R: **CDR Posey, COL Ahmad Dikko, IF-Nigeria RES '23, Dr. Weigle, and BG Nurulhayat Mohammed, IF-Nigeria, RES '21** at Nigerian Army HQ.

**59. Col Dear Beloved, USAF, DDE '22** was recently assigned as the senior advisor to the Office of Performance and Budget, White House Office of National Drug Control Policy.

**60. COL Roque Perez-Velez, RES '22** is the Commander, 207th Digital Liaison Detachment and welcomed received **Dr. Michael Lynch** for a visit at Fort Leonard Wood in April 2023.

**61. LTC Matthew S. Rasmussen, RES '22** recently reconnected with **Dr. William Pinsky, NSS '22** of Intelth who he sponsored for NSS. Pinsky was back in Carlisle for an organizational staff ride.

**62. Lt Col Steve Slosek, USAF, DDE '22** saw the USAWC Polar Bear feature in the last magazine and wanted to share this recent photo from the South Pole. He's a member of the 109<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing and they fly the LC-130 in Antarctica every year. The 109<sup>th</sup> is based in Scotia, New York and they have provided support to the National Science Foundation's South Pole Research Program since 1988.

**63. Lt Col Alison R. Gonzalez, US Space Force, RES '23** was awarded the Brig Gen

Wilma Vaught Visionary Leadership Award by **Col Tim Book, USAF, USAWC Faculty**. This Air Force award is presented to those who exhibit innovation, commitment, and a selfless spirit of service for others and whose personal efforts have improved the integration and opportunities for women in the Air Force.

**64. Women of Resident Class of 1991.** There were nine **RES '91** women graduates and six of them gathered in Long Beach, California in early February 2023 to enjoy their friendship, 30+ year-old USAWC memories, warm weather, and great food. They did some local touring and laughed a lot at "spontaneous karaoke" in a restaurant as they celebrated several birthdays. L-R: **Ms. Ronnie I. Gerstein, Ms. Penelope 'Penny' Horgan, LTG (Ret) Claudia J. Kennedy, Ms. Paula A. Metcalf, COL (Ret) Carla A. Fisher, and Ms. Dorie 'Anne' Martin.**

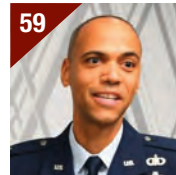
**65. USAWC faculty members COL (Ret) Bob Bradford, RES '11, Dr. John Nagl, and COL (Ret) Chuck Allen, RES '01** enjoyed time with author David Kilcullen (*second from left*) after Kilcullen's engagement with students about his book *The Dragons and the Snakes: How the Rest Learned to Fight the West*, during the Commandant's Reading Program.

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**COL (Ret) Robert J. 'Bob' Gerard, Ph.D., RES '73** and his son, **COL (Ret) David T. Gerard, RES '05**, traveled to Ft. Moore (formerly Benning) the end of April for two great reasons. Bob attended this year's OCS reunion as a graduate from Class 13, 25th OCS Company (commissioned May 9, 1952). As a lucky bonus, Bob and Dave got to promote Dave's son, Ben, who was in the Infantry Officer Advanced Course, to Captain.



David Ben Bob





## FOUNDATION MOURNS THE LOSS OF TWO PAST PRESIDENTS



**LTG (Ret) Richard G. 'Dick' Trefry, RES '69** was the President of the Alumni Association of the U.S. Army War College from 2003 until 2008, having been the Vice President *twice before that, back to 1989*. And in 2008, he took on an even bigger role as he and **LTG (Ret) Richard F. 'Rich' Timmons, RES '84** accomplished what others had been contemplating for years, and that was to create the future with an historic merger of the Alumni Association with the Army War

College Foundation. LTG (Ret) Trefry became Vice President of the new merged Foundation and made sure it was successful before turning it over to a new Vice President in 2010. He loved the Army War College and delighted at being able to stay involved, come back up frequently from his home in northern Virginia, advance the discipline of Force Management with USAWC students and faculty, and travel to the "away" Trustee meetings wherever they were held. He was totally invested in the Army War College. He was 98 when he died on February 25, 2023. Our sincere condolences to Jacque.



**LTG (Ret) Thomas G. 'Tom' Rhame, RES '81** liked to share, with a chuckle, that when he was a LTC at the Army War College, he had no vision about a career as a senior general officer. Just like many USAWC students, he had his hands full after being a battalion commander with a family and plenty of obligations and he just looked forward to coming to Carlisle, enjoying old friends and meeting new ones, and doing his small part in what might lie ahead. He already loved the Army and his

family, but that year, he fell in love with Carlisle and the College, too. Fast forward many years, he gave back so much in 'retirement', including 17 years of service as the AUSA VP for Finance and Admin. He never took his blessings for granted and he jumped at the opportunity in March of 2008 to serve on the Army War College Foundation Board of Trustees, and within two years, he was elected President and served for 10 years. His leadership, dedication, and love for the College enabled the Foundation to grow its support for academic programs that continues today. Sadly, LTG (Ret) Rhame died on June 27, 2023 and we miss him terribly. Our sincere condolences to Lin and their family.

Both LTG Trefry and LTG Rhame were selected by the Foundation as Outstanding Alums for what they contributed to multiple communities long after their active duty retirements. Their positions of "President" were the equivalent now of "Chairman of the Board," and the titles were eventually changed accordingly.