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*Congratulations to our most senior graduate, COL (Ret) Herbert I. Stern
USAWC Class of 1955, on his 107th birthday!*



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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.

Greetings to all USAWC graduates and friends of the Foundation,

As you'll note from the cover of this magazine, we are celebrating the 107th birthday of our oldest U.S. Army War College (USAWC) graduate, **COL Herbert I. Stern, RES '55**. The USAWC community is blessed to have Herb as a graduate, and especially as its oldest graduate, as he epitomizes "ARMY STRONG" in every aspect – mind, body, and soul. He turned 107 on December 24, 2025 and I was privileged to attend his birthday party at Falcons Landing in Sterling, Virginia where the "Herb Stern Friends Group" is mighty indeed. We got to hear him speak about some of his birthdays, particularly his birthday as the Battle of the Bulge was launching in December of 1944. Everyone who knows Herb is amazed how capable he is at this very impressive age, even though none of us can truly imagine it, as it is so extraordinary.

As we have covered previously, Herb Stern is both the "oldest grad" of the U.S. Military Academy and the U.S. Army War College, a highly unusual combination because of the 20-year difference that normally separates those two graduations. Herb explains this by sharing that he received orders for the War College with only 12 years of service and when he questioned them, he was told to do what his orders told him to do and to step out smartly, so he did. **Congratulations on 107, Herb!**

This new year is proving to be exceptionally eventful, even beyond the big news that we are starting construction on the Alumni Hall and Park by the time you receive this magazine. Our Groundbreaking event in September was very successful, and the bidding process for the project is complete now. We are very proud that many of you are stepping up to help with our campaign to make it happen! Please see the project update on pages 22-23 for photos and other information. We want all of you to be involved and there are several ways to do that.

It was just seven months ago on August 1st that we welcomed **MG Trevor Bredenkamp**, the 54th Commandant. He quickly jumped in to lead all aspects of the College. As you'll read on the next page, he has now been designated as the President of Army University, headquartered also at Carlisle Barracks. I'll let him introduce his new Army University role to you and we'll help keep you posted as various aspects of the Army's reorganization evolve.

Our great Board of Trustees met in September at Carlisle and not only participated in the Alumni Hall and Park Groundbreaking, but advanced other *margin of excellence* programs that support the College. I am grateful to this dedicated group of Trustees who bring their talents, experience, and resources to help us with our mission.

We extend our sincere gratitude to these four incredible Trustees who each served our Foundation exceedingly well:



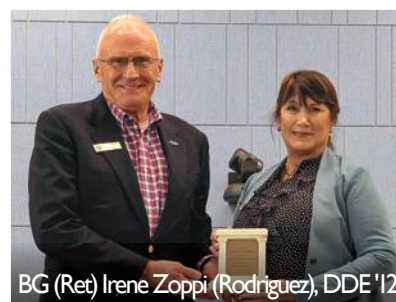
Mr. Joe LoScalzo, NSS '11



BG (Ret) Wilbur Wolf III, RES '06



LTG (Ret) Joe Peterson, RES '94



BG (Ret) Irene Zoppi (Rodriguez), DDE '12

Thanks for all you do!

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

As always, thanks to the College's PAO and Photo Lab for their courtesy photos.

UPDATE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF ARMY UNIVERSITY

Alumni and friends of the U.S. Army War College,

Significant transformation of our Army continues. With the creation of a reimagined Army University, we enter a new phase to transform how the Army delivers outcomes-based military education focused on the conduct of war and the profession of arms. As Army University President, I am honored to lead this enterprise and am committed to our purpose -- to create confident, effective warfighters who will lead by example to fight and win our Nation's wars as part of the Joint Force.

Five colleges and multiple supporting institutions (see Provost's second paragraph on page 4) are now organized as one Army University system. We will work collectively to strengthen the Army profession and deliver educational outcomes focused on the art and science of warfighting. The character of war continues to evolve at an ever-increasing pace and we must leverage technological innovation to deliver educational outcomes faster than our adversaries. Our graduates must be capable of adapting to change and making sound and ethical decisions, in extremis.

Army University exists to accomplish three things: 1) to educate confident and trusted leaders of character who enforce standards and are prepared to fight and win our Nation's wars; 2) to continually transform our professional military education focused on the art and science of warfighting to keep pace with the changing global environment; 3) to strengthen the Army Profession to fulfill our collective responsibility to the American people.

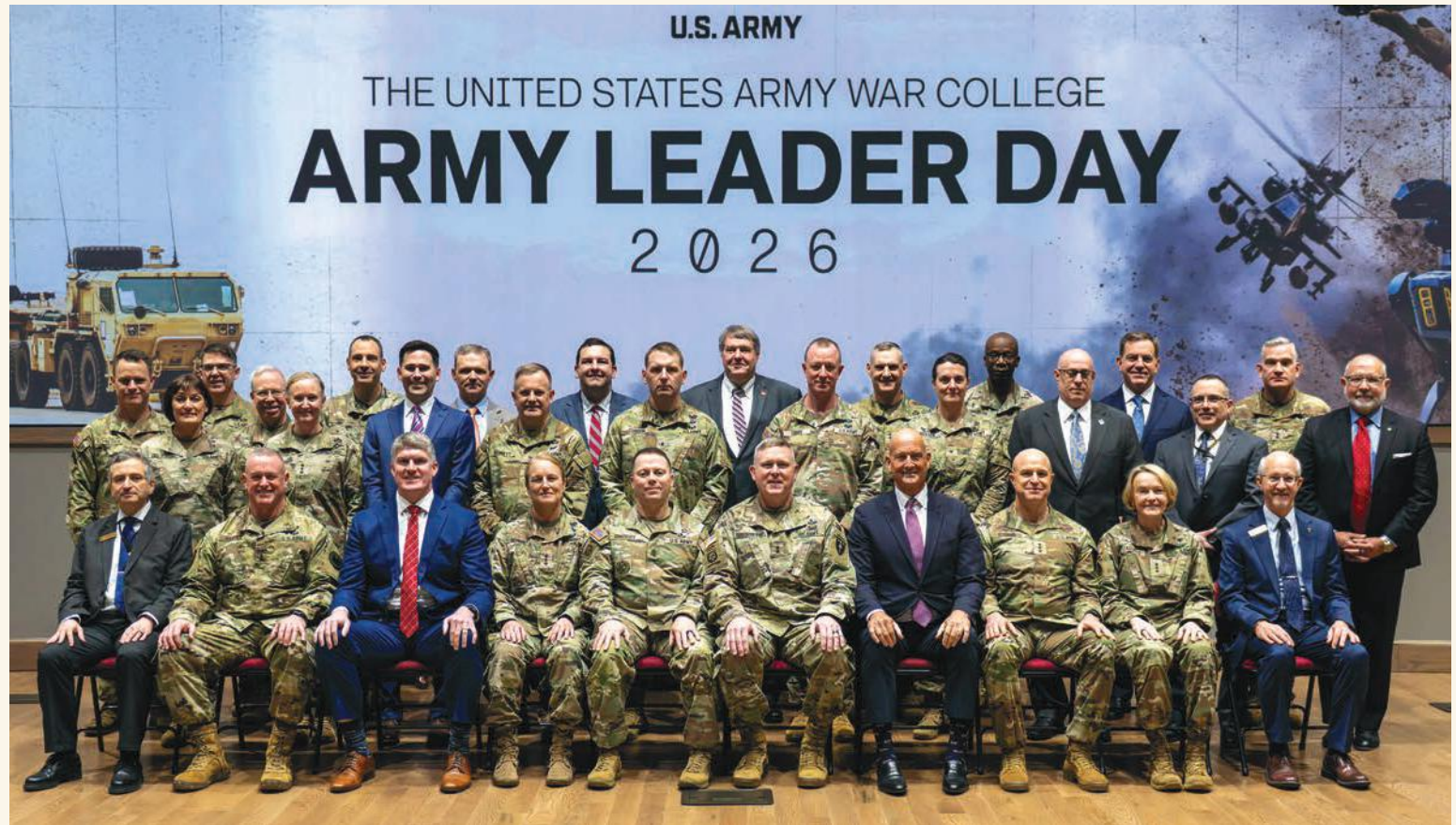
The organizational changes, while significant, will not disrupt the enduring service and commitment to excellence that resides in Carlisle. The Army's choice to collocate Army University Headquarters in Carlisle is an unambiguous signal that recognizes the proven record of performance of USAWC, with an expectation that we scale the culture of innovation resident here to the entirety of the Professional Military Education enterprise.

As President of Army University, I will work closely with the dedicated leader team of USAWC to sustain and grow their efforts to be the institution of choice for the development of strategic leaders and the global thought leader on Landpower. I look forward to continued participation in the academic and non-academic activities of the Army War College that create the "Carlisle Experience" graduates and families remember for a lifetime.



"Knowledge is the Virtue of the Profession."

MG Trevor Bredenkamp
President, Army University



ARMY LEADER DAY, JANUARY 13, 2026

Front Row: Dr. Edward A. Kaplan; LTG Rob Harter; HON David Fitzgerald; LTG Michelle Schmidt, USAWCF '13; CSM Charles W. Gregory, Jr.; MG Trevor J. Bredenkamp; HON Marc Andersen; LTG Jonathan M. Stubbs, RES '13; LTG Mary Izaguirre; Dr. David D. Dworak, RES '06.
Row 2: MG Dianne M. Del Rosso, DDE '13; LTG Gregory J. Brady, USAWCF '13; LTG Michelle Donahue; SES Matthew L. Sannito, DDE '17; LTG Mark Bennett; BG Eric M. Johnson, RES '17; BG Kirk Gibbs; BG Marne L. Suttan, USAWCF '17; SES John Stoneburg; Dr. David Markowitz; SES Charles Young. **Row 3:** MG Chris Schneider; BG Gregory S. Johnson, RES '16; MG Jeremy R. Foot, DDE '18; Mr. Brandon Cockerell; Mr. James Byrn; SES D. Lee Forsgren; LTG Peter N. Benchoff, RES '12; MG William Green; SES Geoffrey T. Stewart, USAWCF '16; MG Bobby L. Christine, DDE '15.

MESSAGE FROM THE PROVOST, ARMY UNIVERSITY

Friends of the U.S. Army War College,

On January 12, 2026, the leadership of the Army War College officially assumed command of Army University (AU), marking a pivotal moment in the ongoing transformation of Army education. This once-in-a-generation opportunity allows us to fundamentally reshape how we educate soldiers and civilians to meet the demands of the future. Originally scheduled for March, the transition was accelerated to address the pressing need for change, and we are now fully engaged in this exciting endeavor.

MG Bredenkamp has taken on the role of AU President, while I have assumed the position of Provost and Chief Academic Officer for these organizations within AU:

U.S. Army War College

U.S. Army Command and General Staff College

Army Management Staff College

U.S. Army Warrant Officer Career College

U.S. Army NCO Academy

Army University Press

Center for Military History/U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center

Army Strategic Education Program

While the headquarters transition did not include additional personnel or authorizations, we have adapted by dividing existing staff between AU and the War College. Building the table of distribution and allowances (TDA) will take time, and we anticipate several years before staffing and hiring are fully resolved. Nevertheless, we are moving forward with determination to transform Army education. Our vision is to maintain a lean AU staff while empowering the colleges with greater autonomy to execute their missions locally.

In alignment with these changes, **COL Don Santillo, RES '20** is the Interim Commandant and **Dr. Ed Kaplan** is Dean of the Army War College (no longer the School for Strategic Landpower). This summer, the Army will appoint a one-star general officer to assume the role of USAWC Commandant.



COL Don Santillo



Dr. Ed Kaplan

Despite these organizational shifts, the mission of the Army War College remains steadfast -- to enhance national and global security by developing ideas and educating U.S. and international leaders to serve at the strategic-enterprise level. Our Resident and Distance programs continue to thrive, and we remain committed to delivering impactful research to the Army and Joint Force.

We have begun exploring innovative possibilities for the future of Army education. Among these are microlearning initiatives that provide targeted learning at the point and time of need, a common learner record to catalog formal and informal instruction throughout a soldier's or civilian's career, and stackable credits and certificates to enable personalized learning and credentialing. These ideas represent just the beginning, and we welcome your input on other opportunities to consider.

A key aspect of this transformation is forging partnerships with civilian educational institutions that excel in their fields. One such partnership is the Intergovernmental Support Agreement we recently formalized with Arizona State University (ASU), a global leader in innovation and online education. This spring, we will transition our learning management system to ASU, which promises to enhance the student and faculty experience. Additionally, we are identifying personnel to support the establishment of a Center for Army Learning Innovation (CALI), jointly sponsored by ASU and the Army. These efforts are in their early stages, and we are confident that similar partnerships with other civilian institutions will emerge as we move forward.

Thank you for your continued support of the Army War College. Together, we are shaping a bright future for Army education.



All the best,

Dave Dworak, RES '06
COL (Ret), Ph.D.
Provost, Army University



COMMAND GROUP RETIREMENTS



This past fall/winter, both the former USAWC Deputy Commandant, **COL Jacob J. 'Jake' Larkowich, USAWCF '19**, and the former USAWC Chief of Staff, **COL Frederick J. 'Fred' Toti, RES '18** retired from active duty. MG **David C. Hill**, former Commandant, officiated both ceremonies and celebrated the roles of their families, friends, and colleagues. *Congratulations to Jake and Fred and to their families!*

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS HALL OF FAME

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWEST MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS HALL OF FAME



On October 13, 2025, five International Fellows were inducted into the USAWC International Fellows (IFs) Hall of Fame. The IF Hall of Fame was established to provide a prestigious and visible means of honoring IF graduates who have attained the highest positions in their nation's armed forces. This not only underscores the talent that the Army War College attracts from across the globe, but it focuses on how the insights of these intelligent and seasoned officers help shape and inform conversations on national security here and throughout the world.

The location and format for this ceremony was the first-of-its-kind held on the opening day of the **Association of the U.S. Army (AUSA) Annual Meeting** in Washington, DC. These five inductions bring the total number of USAWC IF Hall of Fame members to 92.



GEN Raimundas Vaiksnoras, IF-Lithuania, RES '13

GEN Isaac Chisuzi, IF-Zambia, RES '95 (posthumous, accepted by his daughter)

LTG Geoffrey Zyelee, IF-Zambia, RES '14

LTG Taoreed Lagbaja, IF-Nigeria, RES '14 (posthumous, accepted by his widow, accompanied by LTG A.A. Ayannuga, Nigerian Chief of Staff)

His Excellency Ejup Maqedonci, IF-Kosovo, RES '19

The following day after the ceremony in Washington, DC, two of the newly-inducted Hall of Fame members came with their families, friends, and sponsors to see the new Root Hall.



LTG Zyelee was proud to stand alongside his official portrait in the IF Hall of Fame area during his visit to Root Hall on October 14, 2025.



His Excellency Maqedonci engaged with a seminar during his visit to Root Hall on October 14, 2025.

NEWS AND EVENT

RECENT SENIOR LEADER CHANGES

CLASS CODES
RES – Resident
DDE – Department of Distance Education
(DCS renamed 1998)
USAWCF – U.S. Army War College Fellow



GEN David M. Hodne,
USAWCF '13

First CG, U.S. Army
Transformation and Training
Command (T2COM)



GEN Joseph A. Ryan,
USAWCF '14

First CG, U.S. Army
Western Hemisphere
Command



GEN Thomas M. Carden, Jr.,
DDE '09

Vice Chief of the
National Guard Bureau



LTG Joshua M. Rudd,
USAWCF '15

Nominated for appt. to GEN
as Director, National Security
Agency/Chief Central Security
Service, U.S. Cyber Command



LTG Christopher O. Mohan,
RES '11

CG, U.S. Army
Materiel Command



LTG Jonathan P. Braga,
USAWCF '13

Cdr, Joint Special Operations
Command/Commander,
Joint Special Operations
Command Forward



LTG Lawrence G. 'Gil' Ferguson,
USAWCF '16

CG, U.S. Army Special
Operations Command



LTG Peter N. Benchoff,
RES '12

Deputy Chief of Staff, G-8



LTG Michele H. Bredenkamp,
USAWCF '13

Director, National
Geospatial-Intelligence
Agency



LTG Brian W. Gibson,
RES '12

Deputy Direct Reporting
Program Manager for
Golden Dome for America



LTG Michael C. McCurry II,
RES '13

CG, Futures and
Concepts Command, T2COM



LTG Michelle A. Schmidt,
USAWCF '13

Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2



LTG Brett G. Sylvia,
USAWCF '15

Director for Strategy, Plans,
and Policy, J-5, Joint Staff



LTG Brian S. Eifler,
RES '12

Performing the duties of
Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7



LTG Patrick D. Frank,
RES '13

Nominated as Deputy
Commander, U.S.
Central Command



MajGen Lorna M. Mahloch, USMC, RES '10
Confirmed for appt. to **LtGen** as Deputy Cdr; U.S. Cyber Command



MG John L. Rafferty, RES '13
Confirmed for appt. to **LTG** as CG, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command



GEN James J. Mingus, RES '10
Retiring Vice Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army



GEN Andrew P. Poppas, USAWCF '12
Retiring as last CG, U.S. Army Forces Command



LTG William J. 'Joe' Hartman, USAWCF '14
Retiring Acting Cdr; U.S. Cyber Command; Performing duties of Director; NSA/Chief, Central Security Service



LTG Joseph P. 'JP' McGee, USAWCF '11
Retiring Director for Strategy, Plans, and Policy, J-5, Joint Staff

ONGOING DEMOLITION OF THE OLD ROOT HALL AND BLISS HALL

After a temporary suspension of demolition work this fall in the old Bliss and Root Hall area, work has resumed. The plan is to demolish Bliss Hall first to allow a clearer pathway for removal of debris once the outside demolition of the old Root Hall resumes. The Root Hall Gymnasium will not be demolished as it remains suitable as a fitness center with basketball and volleyball courts.



HISTORIC FLAGPOLE IN FRONT OF UPTON HALL

The 267-year history of Carlisle Barracks continues to amaze and astound staff and faculty, students, local community residents, and visitors of all kinds. After years of flying the "King's Colors" on the historic flagpole in front of Upton Hall to acknowledge the post as first a British encampment, the Carlisle Barracks Memorialization Board voted to start flying the U.S. Colors and to add lighting so that it could be flown 24/7. The U.S. Colors were raised at reveille on January 21, 2026 by Garrison Soldiers, and they fly permanently now in this beautiful setting near the Ashburn Gate entrance to the Barracks.



2025 OUTSTANDING ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD HONOREES

On Thursday, November 13, 2025, we celebrated the 124th USAWC Birthday (since the establishment in 1901) and the selection by the Foundation of five Outstanding Alums for their extraordinary service **after** retirement from the service that brought them initially to the College.

CONGRATULATIONS!



MG Trevor J. Bredenkamp, Cmdt (left) and CSM Charles W. Gregory, Jr. (right) helped congratulate our five honorees for this year's Outstanding Alum Service Award. L-R: GEN (Ret) Robert W. RisCassi, RES '74; GEN (Ret) Barry R. McCaffrey, RES '82; COL (Ret) Larry F. Icenogle, RES '96; COL (Ret) Robert M. Pelletier, DDE '10; and in absentia GEN (Ret) Richard A. Cody, RES '94 (right inset).

Previous Recipients (in order of award)



1997 GEN (Ret) Walter T. Kerwin, Jr., RES '57
COL (Ret) Roger H. C. Donlon, MoH, DCS '84

1998 COL (Ret) William H. Wunder, RES '77
COL (Ret) George F. Qua, DCS '79

2001 COL (Ret) George W. Aux, RES '64
COL (Ret) Robert S. McGowan, RES '71

2004 MG (Ret) John Russell Groves, RES '94

2006 COL (Ret) Michael A. Pearson, RES '93

2007 LTG (Ret) Dave R. Palmer, RES '73

2009 GEN (Ret) Frederick J. Kroesen, Jr., RES '62
BG (Ret) Jerry L. Neff, DCS '95
COL (Ret) Buddy G. Beck, RES '76

2010 GEN (Ret) Donn A. Starry, RES '66
GEN (Ret) Gordon R. Sullivan, RES '78
Dr. Lewis Sorley, RES '73

2011 GEN (Ret) Glenn K. Otis, RES '70
LTG (Ret) Arthur J. Gregg, RES '68
LTG (Ret) Theodore G. Stroup, Jr., RES '81
MG (Ret) Edward B. Atkeson, RES '69

2012 LTG (Ret) Clarence E. McKnight, Jr., RES '72
LTG (Ret) Donald W. Jones, RES '78
MG (Ret) Robert C. Gaskill, Sr., RES '72
COL (Ret) Robert S. Poydasheff, RES '76

2013 LTG (Ret) Richard G. Trefry, RES '69
LTG (Ret) Robert Arter, RES '71
BG (Ret) Clara L. Adams-Ender, DCS '82
Dr. (COL, Ret) Sharon I. Richie, RES '88

2014 Gen (Ret) Alfred M. Gray, Jr., USMC, RES '74
MG (Ret) Carl H. McNair, Jr., RES '71
MG (Ret) Charles R. Henry, DCS '83
COL (Ret) Gregory C. Camp, RES '89

2015 GEN (Ret) John R. Galvin, RES '73
LTG (Ret) David E. Grange, Jr., RES '70
CH (MG, Ret) Kermit D. Johnson, RES '76
Amb (MG, Ret) Robert M. Kimmitt, DCS '89

2016 GEN (Ret) Carl E. Vuono, RES '73
MG (Ret) Hawthorne L. Proctor, RES '88
Dr. (COL, Ret) Catherine H.T. Foster, RES '83
COL (Ret) William V. Wenger, DCS '96

2017 GEN (Ret) Dennis J. Reimer, RES '79
LTG (Ret) Walter F. Ulmer, Jr., RES '69
MG (Ret) David R. Bockel, DCS '91
MG (Ret) Wesley E. Craig, Jr., DCS '93

2018 MG (Ret) Arthur T. Dean, RES '86
BG (Ret) George B. Price, RES '71
BG (Ret) Richard F. Allen, DCS '83
COL (Ret) Lucretia M. McClenney, USAWCF '96

2019 LTG (Ret) Thomas G. Rhame, RES '81
BG (Ret) T. Patt Maney, DCS '89
COL (Ret) Clarence A. Miller, Jr., RES '72
COL (Ret) Jeri I. Graham, DCS '96

2020 MG (Ret) Thomas L. Prather, Jr., RES '82
COL (Ret) Kenneth P. Davis, DCS '93

2021 GEN (Ret) Larry R. Ellis, RES '86
LTG (Ret) Lawson W. Magruder III, RES '86
COL (Ret) Ralph J. Puckett, Jr., MoH, RES '67

2022 LTG (Ret) Ronald R. Blanck, RES '86
COL (Ret) James M. Jones, Jr., RES '85
COL (Ret) Jeffrey W. Gault, RES '90
COL (Ret) Bruce D. Grant, RES '98

2023 MG (Ret) William N. Clark, DCS '83
COL (Ret) Kip O. Lassner, DDE '16
COL (Ret) Edna W. Cummings, DDE '01
GEN (Ret) Vincent K. Brooks, USAWCF '99

2024 GEN (Ret) Dennis L. Via, RES '99
BG (Ret) Lawrence E. Gillespie, Sr., RES '89
COL (Ret) LeRoy Zimmerman, RES '86
Gen (Ret) Richard B. Myers, USAF, RES '81

Nominations for graduates who have voluntarily served their various communities in extraordinary ways are due **by August 1st** each year. You can find more information by visiting "Alumni Connections" on the Foundation website at www.usawc.org. Also at that website, you can access videos of the presentations and learn more about the exceptional contributions of honorees. Effective in 2025, the honor is called the **Outstanding Alumni Service Award** to help distinguish it from a traditional Hall of Fame or Distinguished Graduate program.

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

The USAHEC is proud to support the College through its archive, library, and museum. Throughout 2025 – and continuing into 2026 -- USAHEC's collections are reaching thousands of people worldwide through lectures, educational outreach and events, research support, exhibitions, and enhanced digital access. USAHEC takes pride in connecting the U.S. Army to the public.

USAHEC opened two major exhibitions, one focusing on the U.S. Army's 250th birthday and the other on Carlisle Barracks' storied history. The first, *This We'll Defend: Celebrating 250 Years of Army History*, features objects and archives selected by its staff, and from leadership at both the USAWC and Carlisle Barracks, to tell the service's story from a unique, personal perspective. Included is a highlight from the USAHEC collection on display in this exhibit -- the original drawing of the authorized, but never formally adopted, flag of the U.S. Army. Signed and approved by General William Tecumseh Sherman, this drawing depicts the final design for the flag in 1880.



Our second exhibition, *From Powder to Purpose: Carlisle Barracks from Revolution to Today*, represents the culmination of extensive research and archaeological investigation on the Hessian Powder Magazine. The exhibition also explores the history of Carlisle Barracks.



Additionally, the Army Heritage Trail, a common walk-bike-run area for USAWC faculty, staff, students, family members, and visitors received enhancements, including a Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) Buffalo and a High Mobility Multipurpose

Wheeled Vehicle. In the coming months, the trail will receive updates to its signage, as well as expansion of the Global War on Terrorism area.



The library staff continues to engage in scholarly activities, such as publishing a book review in *Parameters*, and performing research support for publications. The team saw a significant increase in research requests from diverse entities like the Congressional Research Service and various military units, which highlighted the critical value of its collections. The library staff also directly supports USAWC through institutional briefings, tours, immediate access to library resources, and specialized consultations to students, International Fellows, and faculty. Both the library and the archive introduced new management systems, designed to enhance research for the USAWC community and the larger academic audience. As the archive continues uploading its collections, users will see enhancements throughout 2026.



USAHEC continues to support the wider military and academic communities through numerous outreach and other initiatives. Authors and historians took part in the "Perspectives in Military History" lecture series, as well as special talks from noted historian Rick Atkinson and retired Gen Kenneth F. McKenzie, USMC. Additionally, the museum welcomed 1,300 schoolchildren on class fieldtrips and co-hosted U.S. Army Recruiting Command's teacher symposium.

Over the summer, two "Meet Your Army" events supported the USAWC's National Security Seminars by showcasing current Army assets and allowing participants to interact with current Soldiers. USAHEC hosted the College's Memorial Day Ceremony and its Army 250th birthday celebration, and nearly 7,000 people visited Army Expo 2025 in September.



In 2026, from the refresh of the *Myriad: A Day in the Life of the American Soldier* exhibition, to the groundbreaking and ribbon-cutting ceremony for our new patio outdoor area, we have many events in store. Our website outlines our exhibits and events and offers an opportunity to explore our digital archive: ahec.armywarcollege.edu.

by Ken Hickman, Chair,
Exhibitions and Education Dept.

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM (IFCEP)



The U.S. Army War College's International Fellows Continuing Education Program (IFCEP) was held in Lima, Peru from September 15 - 20, 2025, bringing together senior military leaders, policymakers, and alumni from across the Americas. Hosted in partnership with the Peruvian Army War College (Escuela Superior de Guerra del Ejército – ESGE), the event focused on fostering strategic partnerships, continuing education, and addressing shared security challenges in the Western Hemisphere.

This year's program featured participants from nine partner nations, including Peru, Belize, Colombia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Guatemala, Jamaica, and Canada, as well as alumni from the U.S. State Partnership Program (SPP). Attendees engaged in candid discussions on topics such as transnational crime, migration, leadership in coalitions, and regional security cooperation. The event also included key engagements with representatives from the U.S. Embassy in Lima, U.S. Army South, and senior officials from regional countries, emphasizing the importance of collaboration and shared perspectives in tackling global challenges.



IFCEP Attendees in Lima, Peru, September 2025 Strengthening Strategic Partnerships Across the Americas

MG Trevor Bredenkamp attended his first IFCEP as Commandant and was inspired by it, commenting, "I've been incredibly impressed at the power of this continuing engagement with the international alumni," adding that he felt it is a great opportunity to maintain relationships, express new ideas, and learn from other parts of the world in a non-attributional environment.

The IFCEP is a cornerstone initiative designed to strengthen relationships among international alumni of the USAWC and to promote regional security and stability. It is a hybrid program featuring four weeks of online learning followed by the one-week in-person symposium. The program strengthens USAWC alumni networks and contributes to the shared goal of improving stability and security across the Americas.

Past IFCEP events in Mexico City, Zagreb, Bangkok, Amman, Lusaka, and Lima have been highly successful, drawing praise for impacting and strengthening professional networks. **The next in-person IFCEP is in Vilnius, Lithuania in the EUCOM area of responsibility from April 27-May 2, 2026.** Phase 1, the month-long online component before that, begins in mid-March 2026. For more information, please email jennifer.bower@armywarcollege.edu.

by Dr. Jeffrey A. McDougall, RES '10 | Former International Alumni Program Coordinator

“ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE” COURSE GRADUATION, NOVEMBER 2025



More than 167 international family members have had the opportunity to participate in the College's English as a Second Language (ESL) courses over the past four years. The classes—taught by qualified instructors from Harrisburg Community College—are offered at beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels.

Students completed a 12-week program designed not only to strengthen their English skills, but also to deepen their understanding and appreciation of American culture. The program reflects a simple truth: learning is a lifelong journey, and every new skill opens doors to connection, confidence, and possibility.

As Advanced ESL graduate Leigh Rochelle Reuyan, Philippines, expressed in gratitude, “Thank you for believing that learning a language is important and can make a difference in a person's life. As we graduate today, we are a testament that this belief is valid.”

This is one of the many *margin of excellence* programs that the Army War College Foundation is proud to support. Thanks to **Ms. Moira Kelly, NSS '12**, for investing in this important endeavor through the Foundation.

MILITARY SPOUSE AND FAMILY STUDIES PROGRAM (MSFP)

ACCESS, PARTICIPATION, AND PARTNERSHIPS EXPAND IN AY26

This academic year continues to bring growth and meaningful change to the College's Military Spouse and Family Studies Program (MSFP).

Most notably, the restructuring of the USAWC under Army University created an opportune time for the MSFP to shift from the Office of the Provost to the College's Department of Command, Leadership, and Management (DCLM). The move to DCLM creates exciting opportunities for the MSFP to collaborate with DCLM faculty and contribute critical insights on military family and quality of life issues to various core and elective courses within the department.

Another major improvement this year is the introduction of Microsoft Office licenses for spouses of USAWC students, faculty, and staff. The MSFP now oversees .edu account activation for spouses in the Resident, Blended, Fellows, and International Fellows programs during in-processing, with Distance Education spouses receiving accounts upon request. These accounts provide access to USAWC and Carlisle Barracks event calendars, digital learning tools, course materials, and library resources—enhancing the spouse learning experience across in-person, virtual, and asynchronous formats.

This expanded digital access, combined with close alignment between MSFP offerings and the USAWC core curriculum, has fueled a surge in program participation. More than 80 spouses are enrolled in the year-long Executive Leadership Development Course – Spouse (ELDCS). Last fall, MSFP **Prof. Lauren O'Donnell** trained 16 peer facilitators for the Facilitating Leadership and Group Skills (FLAGS) course, who then led 57 additional spouses and family members through the workshop. FLAGS is thriving, thanks to *margin of excellence* support in memory of **Kimberly Bourque** from her widower, **COL (Ret) Alan G. Bourque, RES '04** and their friends and families. Ten spouses joined Term Zero electives, and record levels of spouse auditors are expected for Term II and III electives this spring.

Following the rescheduling of the New York City National Security Staff Ride to May 2026, the MSFP continues to prepare spouses for this capstone learning experience. **Ms. Jessica Mitchell, NSS '04** has facilitated exceptional networking opportunities, including engagements with **Ms. Leslie Grossman**, faculty director for Executive Leadership at The George Washington University, and **Mr. Franck Noel, NSS-R '24** of Amazon, who will provide insights on leadership, AI, and innovation. More than 70 spouses will participate in these NYC learning events.

Demand for MSFP support continues to grow. In August, Prof. O'Donnell supported a weeklong spouse program during the USINDOPACOM Commander's Conference in Hawaii. The MSFP also contributes curriculum and facilitation support to the Army Strategic Education Program (ASEP), including the Senior Leadership Development Seminar (SLDS) and the Nominative Spouse Seminar (NSS), supporting spouses of newly promoted brigadier generals and nominative sergeants major.

As professional military education evolves, the MSFP anticipates new opportunities within Army University to collaborate with institutions across the enterprise—broadening educational access and strengthening development pathways for military spouses worldwide.

*by Lauren C. O'Donnell,
Professor of Military Spouse and Family Studies*



AY26 FLAGS graduates celebrated together during the FLAGS graduation ceremony on January 23, 2026.



AY26 FLAGS participants delved into important leadership concepts of self-awareness and group dynamics during the recent FLAGS course in January 2026.



Spouses of USINDOPACOM senior leaders participated in a three-day learning seminar led by MSFP Prof. Lauren O'Donnell during the USINDOPACOM Commander's Conference in August 2025. In addition to the seminar learning blocks, course participants visited various cultural and military-connected sites in Hawaii during the conference (Shangri La Museum pictured).

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The 79 USAWC and 4 CSA Senior Army Fellows – representing the Army in 48 programs worldwide for 2025-2026 – continue to enhance their critical thinking skills, academic expertise, and professional networks based on an academic year spent at universities, think tanks, government agencies, and in corporate settings.

The USAWC Fellows are taking full advantage of learning environments uniquely different from those offered by the resident war colleges. Negotiating individually tailored learning plans, they have parlayed knowledge gained for the ultimate enhancement of the Army and wider national security environment. The Fellows are also representing the Army, both formally and informally, at their hosting institutions and surrounding locales. The programs enable the Fellows to satisfy the Army's goal of developing appropriately educated ambassadors for the Army who will go to positions of broad scope and great responsibility, succeed in highly complex, ambiguous environments, and solve open-ended challenges.

The CSA and SMA Senior Army Fellows were placed by the Army leadership as seasoned ambassadors at centers of thought and influence and have spent this year assisting those who deliberate on the larger security challenges faced by the nation. They also provide direct assistance to the Army and Joint Force.

The Fellows Program continues to evaluate hosts for relevance to senior officer participants and the larger Army enterprise. Our latest “add” was the University of Southern California and we look forward to the start of a new Fellowship at Arizona State University for AY 2026-2027.

As a final note, the transition of the Fellows Program Chair position took place in late summer 2025. **COL Lauren J.S. Miller, USAWCF '21** has retired locally and her position was assumed by **COL Joseph C. 'Joe' Bell, RES '24**. The Fellows Program remains in good hands!

*by COL (Ret) Phil Evans,
Director, Fellows Program*



USAWC leadership assembled at the Fellows Orientation Reception on July 29, 2025. L-R: **COL Joe Bell, RES '24** (incoming Fellows Chair); Joe's spouse, **LTC Melissa Bell**; **COL Lauren Miller, USAWCF '21** (outgoing Fellows Chair); USAWC **CSM Chuck Gregory**; and **MG Trevor Bredenkamp**.



The Fellows Program relies on excellent assistance from Individual Augmentees from the USAR to help kick off a successful academic year. L-R are **LTC Savannah Halleaux** and **SSG Becca Reed** on July 24, 2025, after putting on the final touches for a great Fellows Orientation.



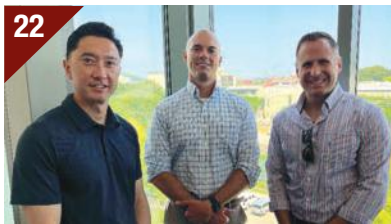
Thanks also to friends of the Fellows Program for helping make the Orientation meaningful for inbound USAWC Fellows, their USAWC faculty advisors, and other key College staff and faculty who will have mentor roles for the Fellows throughout the academic year. L-R: **COL (Ret) Ruth Collins, RES '98**, AWCF Pres & CEO, **Mr. Zach Ross**, Lockheed Martin Space, **COL (Ret) Ryan Kuhn, RES '09**, Lockheed Martin Washington Opns, and **Ms. Jenna McMullin, NSS '22**, Lockheed Martin Space. Lockheed Martin Space supports the event via the *margin of excellence* programs of the Army War College Foundation.

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1. Fellows reunion at AUSA in October 2025. L-R: **COL Matt LeClair** (Asia Pacific Center '24), Commander, 196th Infantry Bde; **COL Kit Oboho** (CIA '24), Commander, 75th Ranger Regiment; and **COL Mike Wagner** (USIP '18), Director of Concepts, T2COM.
2. **LTG D.A. Sims** (MIT Security Studies '12, *center*) was a guest speaker at the USAWC Fellows Orientation, just two days before his retirement as the Director, Joint Staff. L-R: **Mr. Phil Evans** (Fellows Program), **LTG Sims**, and **COL Lauren Miller** (Fellows Program).
3. The new Fellows Program Chair **COL Joe Bell, RES '24** welcomed **LTC Jonathan Barbee** (Georgetown '26, *right*) who returned to Carlisle Barracks after his orientation to take advantage of the Strategic Leader Sustainment Program, which provides customized, comprehensive health, fitness, and behavioral assessments for senior leaders.
4. **COL Deborah Ellis** (MIT Lincoln Laboratory '14), and **LTG Greg Brady** (George C. Marshall Center '13), the Army Inspector General, met at AUSA and discussed their Fellowship experiences.
5. Former CSA Sr. Fellow **COL Jaron Wharton** (CSIS '24, *back to camera*), relinquished command of the 3rd BCT, 82nd Airborne Division to former USAWC Fellow **COL Dan Leard** (Princeton '25, *center*) on January 8, 2026. Jaron co-edited the recently published book *Bend But Do Not Break: Shaping the Future of the All-Volunteer Force*, while Dan was a USAWC Writing Award winner for his research project created during his Fellowship.
6. The USAWC will start a new Fellowship at Arizona State University (ASU) in the summer of 2026. L-R: Fellows Chair **COL Joe Bell, RES '24** is shown here with **Ms. Breanna Lietz**, Director, Public Enterprise Strategic Initiatives, Office of the COO, ASU, and **Dr. Chris Howard**, Executive VP and COO, ASU, who together led the coordination required to fully develop the Fellowship.
7. USARPAC CG **GEN Ron Clark** (Duke '14, *left*) and his XO **COL Lou Kangas** (NESA '23) visited the Fellowship Offices in fall 2025. GEN Clark was on Carlisle Barracks to address an ASEP-A general officer course cohort.
8. **LTC Justin Belford** (Carnegie Mellon '26), had his Fellowship suddenly upended by a head-on collision but is recovering rapidly thanks to quality medical care. He appreciated the support given to him by his other Pittsburgh-based Fellows and by his hosts at Heinz College.
9. **COL Christina Bembenek** (Columbia '21, *right*), VCSA Chief of Initiatives, met with USAWC faculty members **Prof. Lou Yuengert, RES '03** and **Dr. Bob Bradford, RES '11** on December 17, 2025 to discuss the future of Army and joint resource management.
10. While visiting Ft. Knox, new Fellows Chair **COL Joe Bell** (*right*), met with current Human Resources Command leaders and former Fellows **COL Scott Starr** (CIA '23, *left*), and **COL Bridget Dalziel** (Harvard '23, *center*).
11. Former USAWC Fellows **COL James Stultz**, CSA XO (Duke '23) and **COL Molly Solsbury** (MIT Lincoln Laboratory '21), Director of the CSA's Coordination Group, returned to Carlisle Barracks during a visit and presentation by CSA **GEN Randy George** on January 13, 2026.
12. Fellows Chair **COL Joe Bell** visited the University of Louisville (UL) on December 8, 2025 and met USAWC '26 Fellow **LTC Julio Reyes** (*right*) at the McConnell Center, where UL Fellows are hosted.
13. At the Angle on the Gettysburg Battlefield on September 25, 2025, L-R: staff ride lead **Col (USAF) Jeff 'Curly' Wills, DDE '22**; **COL Pete Walther** (Georgetown '26), **LTC Lukas Toth** (MIT '26), and **COL Joe Bell** and **Mr. Phil Evans** (Fellows Program). Curly was also a USAF Fellow (Georgetown '25).



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14. GEN Joe Ryan (Columbia '14), now CG, U.S. Army Western Hemisphere Command, Mr. Phil Evans (Fellows Program), and LTG Michele Bredenkamp (NSA '13), now Director of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, at the USAWC change of command held on August 1, 2025 for MG Trevor Bredenkamp.
15. COL Joe Bell (USAWC Fellows) visited COL (P) Pat Workman (Tufts '19), Military Deputy to the HQDA ACOS G-8, to thank him for addressing the AY26 USAWC Fellows Orientation via Teams last summer.
16. SMA Senior Fellows both attend and present at ASEP's Nominative Leader Course at Carlisle Barracks. SGM Mildred Lara (Department of Veterans Affairs, left) and SGM Chris Truchon (Department of Labor, right) both enjoyed the August 12, 2025 session.
17. Former CSA GEN (Ret) Jim McConville (Harvard '02, center), provided a welcome and professional advice to his Army Fellows successors at the Harvard Belfer Kennedy School orientation in August 2025. USAWC '26 Fellows L-R: LTC Clint Pierce, LTC Jeremy Williams, LTC Peter Kirkendall, COL Jay Ireland, LTC Erick Nyngi, and LTC Randolph Fleming.
18. Senior Fellows during their pre-Fellowship orientation at the Pentagon on August 14, 2025. L-R: COL Joe Bell (Fellows Program), COL Chris Nyland (Council on Foreign Relations), LTC (P) Ebrima M'Bai (Congressional Research Service), SGM Mildred Lara (U.S. Department of Labor), and SGM Chris Truchon (U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs).
19. NCR-based Senior and USAWC Fellows convened at AUSA HQ on September 29, 2025 for a presentation by CSA GEN Randy George, who provided an update on the Army and gave engagement advice to officers and senior NCOs who serve away from the Enterprise as ambassadors and learners.
20. The AY26 NCR-based Fellows were able to attend the AUSA Eisenhower Luncheon on October 14, 2025 and to share updates and hear the CSA provide an update on the current and future Army.
21. L-R: Reuniting at AUSA in October 2025 were MG Colin Tuley (UNC Chapel Hill '15), CG, U.S. Army Maneuver Center of Excellence and Fort Benning; Mr. Phil Evans (Fellows Program); and MG John Reim (also UNC '15), PEO, U.S. Army Joint Program Executive Office, Armaments and Ammunition, and CG, Picatinny Arsenal.
22. L-R: USAWC '26 Fellows LTCs Glen Nettrour, Kent Monas, and Justin Belford at their academic year orientation at host Carnegie Mellon's Institute for Strategy and Technology.
23. COL Kent Justice (Daniel K. Inouye Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies '26, center), as a seminar co-facilitator with Dr. Belina Yeomans (left), commencing a five-week Comprehensive Security Cooperation course conducted by the Center in mid-August 2025.
24. GEN Dave Hodne (Georgetown '13), CG, U.S. Army Transformation and Training Command (T2COM), addressed both an in-person and virtual audience from Bliss Auditorium during a visit to Carlisle Barracks on November 5, 2025.
25. L-R: LTC Jamie Colon (George Washington University '26), and LTC Angel Overgaard (U.S. Department of Justice '26), met at AUSA in October 2025.
26. BG Urbi Lewis (Carnegie Mellon's Heinz College '17), Deputy Army Inspector General, and XO to the Army Inspector General LTC Josefina Martinez at AUSA in October 2025.
27. MG Matt Van Wagenen (Marshall Center '14, left), then SHAPE Director of Operations, and MG Chris Norrie, USAREUR-AF DCG (right), at the EUCOM Commanders Conference in September 2025.

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- 28.** CSA GEN Randy George provided guidance and advice to NCR-based Senior and USAWC Fellows, plus OCLL Fellows and other officers and senior non-commissioned officers assigned to external organizations, at AUSA HQ on September 29, 2025.
- 29.** Duke Professor Tim Nichols (*left*), and '26 Fellows L-R: LTC Bruce Roett, LTC Frank Baez, CH (COL) Eric Leetch, COL Amanda Hughes (Duke '24), COL Anthony Heisler, Lisa Allebach and COL Jens Boehnert, pose together. Amanda returned to Duke as a guest speaker to discuss the Intelligence Community and National Security.
- 30.** MIT Center for Transportation and Logistics '26 Fellows were interviewed on campus to discuss the role of logisticians in all three components of the Army. L-R: LTC Lukas Toth, LTC Duston Mullen, and LTC Charles Greene.
- 31.** LTC Jonathan Barbee, '26 Fellow at Georgetown University (*right*), with his father, CH (LTC, Ret) William Barbee, who was assigned to Carlisle Barracks from 2012-2015. Jonathan spoke at a Veteran's Day event in Berwick, Pennsylvania.
- 32.** LTC Max Smith (U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs '26) was selected to serve as an usher at the National Veterans Day Ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery, responsible for seating national veteran service organizations' senior leadership.
- 33.** Texas A&M '26 Fellows COL Russ Cummings (*left*), and LTC Gabe Exman (*right*), attended a forum at the George H.W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum commemorating the 35th Anniversary of DESERT SHIELD/DESERT STORM with Amb. Ryan Crocker (*center*), on September 23, 2025.
- 34.** L-R: LTG Curtis Buzzard (CSIS '13), CG, SAG-U; MG Vladimir Horbatiuk (National War College), Ukrainian LNO to SAG-U; and MG Trevor Bredenkamp, President, AU. Buzzard and Horbatiuk visited Carlisle Barracks on February 3, 2026, in order to provide key lessons learned from the conflict in Ukraine.
- 35.** AY26 AMEDD officers serving at USAWC Fellowships deemed key and essential by the Army Surgeon General for the future of the Medical Corps and Army. Front L-R: COL John Knight (MC) (Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health); LTC Jamie Colon (AN) (George Washington University); LTC Jorge Rodriguez (MS) (HHS Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR); and LTC Pete Kirkendall (MS) Harvard University. Back L-R: LTC Tony Sabatini (AN) (HHS-ASPR); LTC Max Smith (MS) (Department of Veterans Affairs); and LTC Dan Tenhagen (MS) (AT&T) (Secretary of Defense Executive Fellows Program).
- 36.** LTC Aaron Smith (Paris-based Institute of Higher Education in National Defense '26, *right*), with French Army COL Katy Mikolajczyk aboard the FS Languedoc, a multi-mission French Frigate specializing in ballistic missile employment and anti-submarine warfare.
- 37.** LTC (P) Victor Vinh (Secretary of Defense Executive Corporate Program '26, *left*), and LTC (P) Aaron Turner Princeton '26 (*right*), met at the Fellows orientation on July 29, 2025. Victor is spending his academic year at Autodesk in San Francisco and Aaron is at Princeton's School of Public and International Affairs.
- 38.** Prof. Mike Elieson, CIA Faculty Representative in the Department of National Security Studies, provided advice to COL Joe Reagan (CIA '26, *right*) at the welcome reception during the July 2025 Fellows Orientation.
- 39.** COL Darren Buss, RES '20, Faculty Instructor with the College's Department of Military Strategy, Plans, and Operations, with LTC (P) David Powell (MIT Security Studies Program '26, *right*), during the Fellows Orientation in July 2025.
- 40.** Strategic Studies Institute Director Dr. Tony Pfaff (*left*), met with COL Mark VanGelder (Near East South Asia Institute '26, *right*) at the July 2025 Fellows Orientation.



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GEN (Ret) Laura Richardson (center) was the keynote speaker at a Scientists and Strategists Seminar with AY26 USAWC Fellows at Carnegie Mellon. **LTC Justin Belford** (left) and **LTC Kent Monas** (right).



Duke University Counterterrorism and Public Policy Fellows had the opportunity to meet with **GEN (Ret) CQ Brown**, the 21st Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, for lunch and an informal discussion. L-R: **LTC Bruce Roett**, **COL Anthony Heisler**, **LTC Frank Baez**, **COL Jens Boehnert**, **GEN (Ret) CQ Brown**, **Lisa Allebach**, **CH (COL) Eric Leetch**, and **Duke Prof. Tim Nichols**.



LTG (Ret) Laura Potter, then-Director of the Army Staff addressed the USAWC Fellows at their orientation in July 2025. She is shown here talking to **COL Jason Quash** (NSA '26).



L-R: AY26 AMEDDD Fellows **LTC Max Smith**, **LTC Tony Sabatini**, **LTC Jamie Colon**, and **COL Jorge Rodriguez** attended the CSA's Breakfast at AUSA headquarters on September 29, 2025, joining Fellows from elsewhere in the NCR to hear **GEN George's** presentation.



Military Fellows at the Brown University Convocation. L-R: **MAJ Tyler Cerrato** (USMC - MPA student), **LTC (P) Rich Smith** (USAWC Fellow), **LTC Hillary Anderson** (USAF), and **CDR-select Adam Reiffen** (USN).



USAWC University of Texas (UT) Orientation hosted by the Clements Center for National Security in August 2025. L-R: **Brett Cook**, UT Military Program Manager; **COLs Stacy Rostorfer**, **Jamie Dobson**, and **Chris Masson** (UT '26); and **Dirk Ringgenberg**, UT Associate Professor.

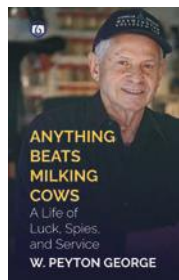


AY26 Tufts Army Fellows **LTC Alex Hampton** (second from left), **COL Jason McCune** (back center), **COL Steven Tipta** (third from right), and **LTC Andrew Prewitt** (back second from right) attended the "Meet the Military" event at Tufts Fletcher School.



LTC (P) Nick Currie (Queen's University, Kingston, Canada '26) and his family visited the Parliament and House of Commons in Ottawa, Canada during peak fall weather.

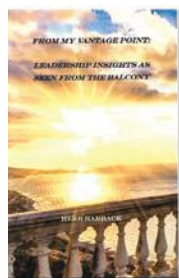
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Anything Beats Milking Cows: A Life of Luck, Spies, and Service by COL (Ret) W. Peyton George, DCS '81.

These are the author's life stories starting with growing up on a dairy farm in Oklahoma which was a great

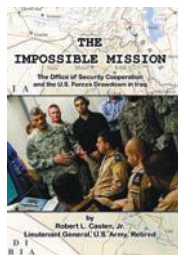
motivator to do something else. He was an oil field derrickman at 17 and then an Oklahoma City Police officer, and picked up a college degree. He became an FBI agent in VA, NJ, and DC, and then with the KGB Squad in the FBI's Washington's Field Office, he ran spy cases and earned a law degree at night. He later became a member of four state or district bar associations and served as a partner in two large DC law firms. With 34 years of active and reserve service, and also rising to GS-15 on the staff of two different Cabinet Secretaries doing Congressional liaison, he pulled some unique details along the way. He is grateful for his many moments of good luck and opportunities to serve. Currently living in Santa Fe, he still is in private law practice and a volunteer handyman for seniors.



From My Vantage Point: Leadership Insights as Seen from the Balcony by COL (Ret) Herbert F. Harback, RES '91 and former FAC.

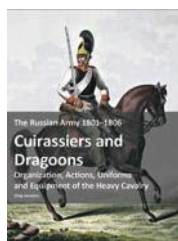
For 30 years in various leadership positions as an Army officer, and 20

years since then as the president of a senior management development firm, Harback has been continually studying and advising about leadership and ownership and the lessons that come with it. As a senior military leader, he had the opportunity to run a number of major Centers of Excellence, serve as chairman of the leadership department at USAWC, and design and oversee the Army's most senior leader development program in which complex strategic and politically-sensitive relationship issues required critical thinking and impactful performance. Since military retirement, working with hundreds of executives in challenging and crisis-laden situations, he has honed the ability to rapidly establish relationships, assess situations, and clarify the right solutions for the right set of challenges. This book is about the art of leadership and its application, helping you create a space above the fray where you can begin to trust in yourself as a leader, to learn from yourself and others, and to make a difference for those who are to lead us into the future.



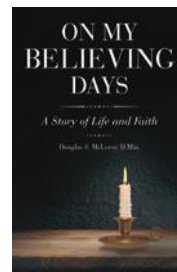
The Impossible Mission: The Office of Security Cooperation and the U.S. Forces Drawdown in Iraq by LTG (Ret) Robert L. Caslen, Jr., RES '96.

The decision to go to war in Iraq was controversial, but our decision to terminate the Iraq war was even more controversial. After eight and a half years of war, and the sacrifice of 4,614 Americans, it is critical that we as a Nation understand how this war terminated and study the lessons learned so that we do not have to re-learn it all over again in the next war. This book is about the 2011 drawdown in Iraq, which created numerous unintended consequences that failed to align with our strategic objectives of what we wanted to leave behind and what Iraq would become as an important partner nation within the Middle East region. This book walks through the sequence of events from 9/11, which include the decision to go to war in Iraq, the surge in northern Iraq, the President's decision to withdraw, the original plans for a residual force, the departure of Multi-National Forces – Iraq, and the circumstances of the immediate aftermath, and the significant strategy changes of the Department of State.



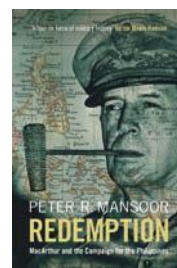
The Russian Army 1801-1806, Cuirassiers and Dragoons: Organization, Actions, Uniforms, and Equipment of the Heavy Cavalry translated by Mr. Richard L. Sanders, RES '96.

This provides the most thorough work available on the Russian cuirassier and dragoon regiments during the Napoleonic Wars. Based on the Russian author's highly detailed work, available via this expert translation, it addresses the organization, campaigns and battles, uniforms, weapons, personal and unit equipment, mounts, unit awards, and flags, with their development during the period. It also includes high-quality photos of rare museum pieces, contemporary depictions of the cuirassiers and dragoons of both the Guard and Army regiments, and provides detailed information on the Gendarmier Regiment created near the end of the Napoleonic Wars. This work can provide new insights to both military scientists and military historians but also historical filmmakers, military miniature collectors, and interested laypeople. The appended lexicon of Russian military terms and their English translation enable a clear conceptual classification in both languages.



On My Believing Days: A Story of Life and Faith by CH (COL, Ret) Douglas S. McLeroy, RES '97.

McLeroy shares an intimate story of belief and unbelief in this memoir. He had to contend with the death of his parents, sister, brother, son-in-law, three grandchildren, and the near death of his wife. As a result, he knows all too well the deep pain of grief, the tough questions we all carry, and the struggle to believe in the midst of tragedy. The book also highlights the 30 years he spent as a chaplain in the U.S. Army, as well as the 22 years he provided pastoral care and counseling in churches. Journal entries from his diaries reflect the essence of his spiritual journey and the ministry he has been called to perform. He invites you to join him as he observes how easy it is to believe when life is all sunshine, and how much harder to believe when loss is so overwhelming.



Redemption: MacArthur and the Campaign for the Philippines by COL (Ret) Peter R. Mansoor, RES '03.

This is a sweeping new history of the largest and costliest campaign waged by U.S. armed forces during the Pacific War. Mansoor surveys the course of the Philippines campaign from the Japanese invasion and the Filipino guerrilla operations which contested occupation to the U.S. Army's return to Leyte and the subsequent battles of liberation. Central to the book is a re-evaluation of the leadership of General Douglas MacArthur, one of the most controversial military commanders in U.S. history. At times brilliant, courageous, and politically astute, MacArthur was also egotistical, publicity hungry, often ignorant of conditions at the front, and certain of himself to a fault. In their return to the Philippines, MacArthur and his forces liberated millions of Filipinos and severed a critical Japanese resource lifeline. But he also achieved something much rarer – redemption on the same ground and against the same enemy that defeated him earlier in the war.



The Time Traveling Scoreboard by LTC (Ret) Robert P. Chappell, Jr., DDE '07.

This second book in the series of *The Adventures of Ace Preston* (the first was *The Patriot Pitcher*) blends adventure,

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mystery, and time travel, appealing to baseball enthusiasts, history buffs, and fans of suspenseful escapades alike. After nearly four decades in law enforcement and 25 years in the U.S. Army Reserve, Ace Preston has retired, ready to tackle adventures saved on his long-held bucket list. His first destination... the legendary Wrigley Field in Chicago, home of the Chicago Cubs and the only remaining manually-operated scoreboard in Major League Baseball. What begins as a simple stadium tour quickly transforms into a fantastical journey when Ace discovers a lost metal number lodged in the ivy of the iconic scoreboard. Returning the number to its keeper unlocks a hidden world within the scoreboard itself—a portal that allows Ace not only to witness historical baseball games but also to step directly into them.



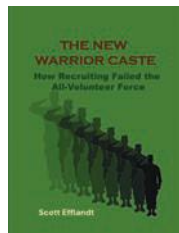
Commandant in Four Missions: The Life and Leadership of a General by Lt. Gen Kees Matthijssen, IF-Netherlands, RES '10. Matthijssen has had the unique experience of

serving as a commander at various levels in four missions. In his book, **which currently is not available in English**, he offers insights into his most challenging experiences and how he handled them as a leader. He was a company commander in Bosnia and Herzegovina (1995) in Srebrenica, a battalion commander in Iraq (2004), and a brigade commander in Afghanistan (2008-2009). In his last position, he was commander of the UN mission in Mali (2022-2023). He shares his vision on the essence of leadership, which is simply about empowering people to give their best to carry out their tasks within the team and to perform to the best of their ability in the unit they are part of. For him, that vision has not changed throughout his career. Leading by example and being authentic are crucial principles of leadership. (The title in Dutch is *Commandant in Vier Missies* and it can be ordered via this link: www.amazon.nl/Commandant-vier-missies-leiderschap-generaal/dp/9492107503)



Build Trust First: Your Source Code for Leadership that Truly Matters by BG (Ret) Mark A. Towne, RES '10. Most leaders agree that trust is important to their organizations, but they usually cannot describe

what they do to build trust. To get ahead in real problem-solving and lead trust-building, leaders must first think differently and decide to take action to create the conditions in their organizations for trust to grow. Towne shares over three decades of experience leading from the frontline to the boardroom in this groundbreaking approach where trust is not merely a reactive personal feeling or managerial task. Instead, his insights and stories and those of the C-suite leaders he interviewed for this book reveal the value of trust-leadership in action when we: 1) Think about trust-building in pragmatic and actionable terms; 2) Help managers become more effective leaders in trust-building and problem-solving; 3) Provide board members and executives with the language and tools for establishing strong cultures of trust; and 4) Develop leaders at all levels to see themselves and their environments better so they can effectively lead trust-building and value-creation.



The New Warrior Caste: How Recruiting Failed the All-Volunteer Force by MG (Ret) Scott L. Efflandt, RES '13.

This work tackles how the All-Volunteer Force (AVF) has evolved over 50 years and has led to the emergence of a New Warrior Caste. The ongoing quiet debate about whether or not we should reinstate the draft stems from two main factors: 1) Heightened fears of an existential Russian threat have sparked an ongoing European debate over conscription in countries like Germany, Sweden, Latvia, Georgia, Ukraine, and France; and 2) U.S. recruiting efforts for the AVF have become increasingly inconsistent. Although recruiting significantly improved in 2025 after several poor years and has led to a belief that America's AVF remains viable and healthy, there is no clear definition of what "healthy" entails. This work assesses the AVF to determine its capability to meet America's future institutional and military needs as the demand for military force grows, and it also addresses key civil-military relationships. The changing participation of women and minorities in the New Warrior Caste sets the stage for political divisions similar to those during the draft era in Vietnam. This book provides a concise reference for policy advisors, professional staffers, researchers, and military analysts.



At Sea Against the Soviet Fleet: The Evolution of U.S. Navy Operational Intelligence in the Cold War by CAPT (Ret) Bryan H. Leese, RES '14.

This book examines the critical transformation of naval intelligence during a pivotal era marked by the Cold War and the Vietnam conflict. It details how U.S. Navy operational intelligence evolved to meet the complexities of modern naval warfare, particularly in response to the increasing threats posed by the Soviet Navy. Structured into four main parts, it begins by examining the Vietnam War and shipboard operational intelligence. He highlights the establishment of Integrated Operational Intelligence Centers and the innovative strategies that emerged in air combat and targeting. It delves into the decentralization of intelligence processes, emphasizing adaptability and the need to prevent surprise attacks, and also the cultural dynamics within the Navy that fostered innovation and collaboration. These not only contributed to maintaining a strategic edge over the Soviet Union, but also laid the groundwork for future naval operations in the digital age. Leese's work reveals the intricate interplay between technology, strategy, and personnel in creating an effective intelligence framework that allows the U.S. Navy to assert influence at sea, setting conditions for sea control in conflict.



Dare to Lead Differently: Chew on This... 16 Bites for Bold Leaders by BG (Ret) Twanda 'Tia' E. Young, DDE '15.

This book serves to guide you through the uncharted territory of self-leadership. It seeks to make you aware of the constraints of average performance, enabling you to embrace the invigorating potential of transparency—the undisclosed weapon of authentic leaders. Every chapter tackles an uncharted domain of potentiality, providing great nuggets for introspection, helping you transcend comfort zones and uncover your concealed strengths. You can experience an intense sense of empowerment with greater self-awareness, granting access to previously unattainable levels of leadership and discovering transformative power of passion, commitment, and dedication as you ready yourself to lead with heart. It is not sufficient

BOOKS BY GRADS AND FACULTY CONTINUED

to just improve one's leadership skills; one must also emerge as a conductor for change, commanding attention in a society yearning for authentic leaders.



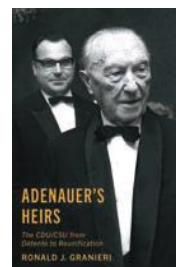
***Those Aren't My Pants, Officer* by COL John P. McFarland, DDE '20.**

A collection of true stories from the street, told by a police officer who learned that the job does not just change how you see other people; it changes how you see yourself. Some of these stories are funny; some are unsettling; many are both at the same time. There are moments of absurdity that could only happen at three in the morning, encounters that defy explanation, and situations so ridiculous they almost feel scripted—but they were not. Threaded throughout is the reality of the work -- the constant exposure to danger, grief, cruelty, and moral ambiguity, and the cumulative weight that comes with carrying responsibility for other people's worst days. It is an honest account of living inside the job—how gallows humor becomes a survival tool, how cynicism creeps in unnoticed, and how the line between vigilance and damage slowly blurs. The author does not pretend the job left him untouched. What followed—years later—was reckoning, therapy, and a hard-earned return to faith and humanity. This will resonate with others shaped by high-stress professions, whose work asks them to absorb chaos so others do not have to.



***Wolves in Shepherds' Clothing: Reclaiming Faith after Church-Based Trauma* by COL John P. McFarland, DDE '20.**

Spiritual abuse leaves wounds and those harmed may be told they are oversensitive, rebellious, or lacking faith—when, in fact, they are responding to profound violations of trust, conscience, and moral agency. This book draws on theology, psychology, and lived experience to name what often goes unnamed. Rather than focusing on sensational cases or partisan debates, it explores the underlying dynamics that allow abuse to take root in religious settings. Written for survivors, pastors, counselors, and thoughtful Christians alike, this work explains how spiritual abuse affects identity, moral reasoning, and the capacity to trust—both God and oneself. It also distinguishes biblical authority from its misuse, showing how Scripture can be employed either to heal or to harm, depending on how power is understood and exercised. It offers a path toward clarity and restoration—one that does not require minimizing harm, abandoning faith, or surrendering conscience. It is a careful, compassionate examination of spiritual abuse—and a call to align faith, authority, and responsibility with the character of Christ.



***Adenauer's Heirs: The CDU/CSU from Détente to Reunification* by Dr. Ronald J. Granieri, FAC.**

The 1960s in Europe saw the emergence of social protest, newly confident center-left parties, Cold War détente, and frustrations with the pace and direction of European integration. The Federal Republic of Germany experienced these upheavals from a special position: on the front line of the Cold War, occupying a key position in both the European and Atlantic communities, and haunted by Nazi-era crimes. The parties that had governed West Germany since its founding in 1949—the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) and Christian Social Union (CSU)—underwent an especially intense identity crisis, both facing challenges from right and left and torn between market liberalism and social solidarity, and between nationalist conservatism and European enthusiasm. Konrad Adenauer, the first West German Chancellor, led the CDU and CSU to two decades of political dominance, but as he retired from active politics, the parties had to reorient themselves in a rapidly changing domestic and international political environment. This is among the first books to place the development of the CDU/CSU within the larger context of West German politics and international relations during the late Cold War, and to explore still potent questions to the present day.

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.

COMMANDANT'S READING PROGRAM

On February 11, 2026, the College held the fourth of six scheduled AY26 Commandant's Reading Program sessions. This is an elective program that is open to both the Resident and Distance Education students. The six sessions for AY26 are shown below:



The informal settings for the Commandant's Reading Program sessions encourage discussions.



Program Faculty. L-R: COL (Ret) Richard Lacquement, Ph.D., RES '09; COL (Ret) Robert D. 'Bob' Bradford III, RES '11; COL (Ret) Charles D. 'Chuck' Allen, RES '01; MG Trevor Bredenkamp, President, AU; Mr. Ted Aldrich, author; Dr. Grant Golub; CH (COL) Geoffrey N. Bailey, Ph.D., RES '21; COL Fredric R. Maddox, RES '18; and Dr. John Nagl.

ARMY STRATEGIC EDUCATION PROGRAM (ASEP)

The Army Strategic Education Program (ASEP) delivers graduate-level education to senior Army leaders on behalf of the Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army (CSA) and Sergeant Major of the U.S. Army (SMA). The program provides the core education courses of Senior Leader Development Seminar (SLDS), ASEP-Advanced, ASEP-Senior, and ASEP-Transition for the Army general officer corps and the Nominative Leader Course (NLC) for senior nominative sergeants major.



CSA GEN Randy George with SLDS 2026



SLDS Spouses Seminar Team Building



SMA Michael R. Weimer with NLC Students

Over the past several months, we have expanded our offerings to include the Combined/Joint Force Land Component Commander Course (C/JFLCC) and the Senior Commander Course (SCC). These programs, along with our existing core courses, are designed to prepare commanders for enterprise-level leadership roles. We remain focused on developing general officers and senior nominative sergeants major who excel in their roles while exhibiting effective communication and critical reasoning skills.

New course structures, combined with robust academic oversight, ensure that our leaders remain highly prepared to address our nation's security needs. The ASEP team is excited about the future of Army University and the opportunities to expand post-PME education for senior leaders.

Time always brings change. As the team reset after the last PCS season, **MSG Adam Fisk** departed our operations sergeant position for a first sergeant assignment at Fort Bragg, and **SFC Michael Tolodzieski**, a local Pennsylvania native, joined us from Fort Bragg to replace him. We bid farewell to **COL Michelle Goyette, RES '18**; **COL (Ret) Dan Pinnell, RES '09**; **COL (Ret) Chris Hart, RES '13**; **LTC (Ret) Brent Bankus, DDE '04**; and **Ms. Martha Quesenberry**, as they have retired and continue service to our nation in other sectors. We welcome the directors of the two courses who have joined us recently, as mentioned above, **COL (Ret) Mark Haseman, RES '13** and **COL Bill Ault, DDE '22**. Our talented team continues to set the standard for the future.



L-R Kneeling: Adam Fisk and Michelle Goyette. **L-R Standing:** Brent Bankus; Mark Haseman; Bill Ault; Pete Haas (partially visible); MG Trevor Bredenkamp; Stephanie Casella; Kelly Clark; Litrena Gordon (partially visible); Erik "Sparky" Anderson; Kelvin Mote; Elisa Vertuli; Suzanne Ersoz; and Randy White.



by COL Kelvin E. Mote, RES '21
Director, Army Strategic Education Program



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT/CEO

Greetings to all!

We have lots of news from the Foundation staff, to include progress with the kick-off of construction for the Alumni Hall and Park. You'll see new renderings on the next two pages and we hope you'll contribute to this project which benefits everyone associated with the Army War College. This is the project that finally brings our bronze graduation plaques and class-gifted stained-glass windows out of storage and into beautiful settings that can be enjoyed by all. First, some general news.

SAVE THE DATE FOR AN EVENT IN GREEN BAY

Our Trustees from the Green Bay, Wisconsin area are planning a USAWC alumni gathering on July 15, 2026 at the TitledownTech Rooftop Lounge at Lambeau Field. This will also be a fundraiser for our Alumni Hall and Park. Grads, NSS alums, and friends of the Foundation within 60-90 minutes of Green Bay can expect an invitation in April, *but put this on your calendars now!*

FOUNDATION STAFF

We welcome **Col (Ret) Leon Perkowski, USAF**, to our Foundation. He will be replacing our Leader Development Director, **Col (Ret) Harry Leach, USAF, RES '05**, this coming summer (more about Harry in the next magazine). Leon completed six years on the USAWC faculty and retired in the Carlisle area after 30 years in the U.S. Air Force. He is a welcome addition to our team.



Due to the retirement of her husband (see page 4), we will soon have to say goodbye to **Ms. Dawn Toti**, one of our great Gift Shop staff members. Dawn joined us when we were still in the old Root Hall and she has been a key factor in the successful creation and operation of our new Gift Shop in the new Root Hall. Dawn is known throughout the Carlisle Barracks community as an active member who makes a difference every day. She is going to be missed, but we know that she and Fred will enjoy their new home in the Reno, Nevada area near family.



DID YOU KNOW that over 50 years ago, there was a "hooked rug kit" that USAWC families could buy to make their own round USAWC rugs? This one was recently donated to the Foundation by **COL (Ret) Bob and Joyce Schloesser, RES '78**, and it was hand-delivered from the Schloesser's home by their friend and ours **COL (Ret) Robb Meert, RES '19 (left)**. We have seen two of these previously and both were owned by RES '72 graduates. Kudos to Bob and Joyce for keeping this one in excellent condition all these years and for sharing it with us.

The Army War College Foundation is pleased to host the



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GREAT PROGRESS ON THE ALUMNI HALL AND PARK, THE BIGGEST AND BEST PROJECT EVER UNDERTAKEN BY OUR FOUNDATION! WE'RE ON OUR WAY!

Since the last magazine, we achieved 100% design and held our Groundbreaking ceremony with approximately 200 people who joined our Trustees when they were here for their September Board meeting. It was a true celebration of our graduates, faculty, staff, families, and friends of the Army War College, and if you didn't see the short video we produced, check it out at www.usawc.org.

During the past three months, we have moved through the bidding process and selected the construction companies that will build this for us. In fact, by the time you receive this magazine, the construction site will be seeing its first activity, and completion is projected 18 months later. It is such a privilege to have the Army's approval to build this Alumni Hall and Park as a private project, with pre-approval and agreement that when completed, it will be accepted and maintained as an Army building for the future.

We are approaching 70% of our campaign fundraising goal, thanks to all of you who are helping us create this beautiful Alumni Hall and Park, in addition to continuing to support the great programs of the College. We will actively continue the Alumni Hall and Park fundraising for 18-20 more months, but please don't wait to contribute to it. *Thank you so much for your continued and increasing participation!*



L-R: COL (Ret) Ruth Collins, RES '98, Pres & CEO, AWCF; COL (Ret) Robert 'Bob' Gerard, RES '73; Benedict Dubbs of Murray Associates Architects; MG Trevor Bredenbamp, Commandant; and LTG (Ret) Roger C. Schultz, RES '92, Board Chairman, AWCF. Bob Gerard, 95 years young, represented all graduates at the ceremony.



ALUMNI HALL AND PARK GIVING BY CLASS (as of January 31, 2026)

When we first showed this chart as of February 2025, there were **1,261** donors to the campaign. We updated the chart again for the Summer magazine as of August 8, 2025 and there were **1,420** donors at that time. As of January 31, 2026, **1,638** of you have contributed to the campaign! Below are the classes represented by the current 1,638 donors for this project. The majority of these donors are graduates of the Resident, Distance, and Fellows Programs in their appropriate year of graduation, but these numbers include family members and friends without their own class affiliation who donated for the project IMO or IHO their loved one *by class*. NSS and CNSP alums are also included with the year's class they attended. Faculty members who are not graduates are shown separately as "FAC" and there are a few donors listed as "Other" who do not clearly fall in a class or faculty category. We will continue to update this as we go forward.

1955	1	1974	13	1986	32	1998	42	2010	30	2022	12
1959	2	1975	9	1987	39	1999	36	2011	35	2023	8
1960	1	1976	21	1988	37	2000	41	2012	31	2024	13*
1964	2	1977	7	1989	38	2001	54	2013	29	2025	10**
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT/CEO CONTINUED

ADDITIONAL RENDERINGS OF THE ALUMNI HALL AND PARK AND NAMING LOCATION OPTIONS



The left rendering shows the main entrance foyer from the Root/Collins Hall parking area. The terrazzo floor crest in the entranceway will be funded by the Distance Class of 2026 as their class gift at graduation. The right rendering shows the wall inside the Alumni Hall that will showcase commissioned oil paintings gifted to the College by classes.

NAMING OPPORTUNITY AREAS — for individual or group donations

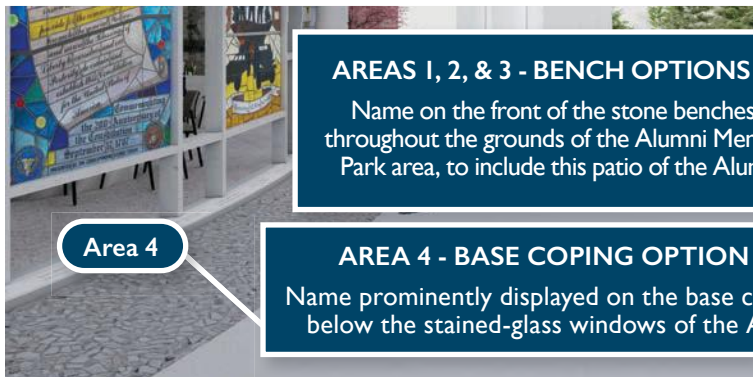
Your total donations to the Alumni Hall and Park since the beginning of the campaign are included when determining eligibility for a naming opportunity. With your aggregate donation of \$10,000 or \$20,000, you or your group can choose a space for either your name, a group name, or a name in memory of or honor of another.

Area 1 is the Alumni Memorial part of the project, where USAWC graduates who died in service to their country are memorialized. The bronze graduation plaques from the first USAWC Class of 1905 through the Classes of 1974 will be mounted in stone around the base of this area. On the back side below the Garrison flagpole, there will also be a memorial to faculty members who died while serving on the faculty. The naming opportunities in Area 1 are on curved granite benches on the four “corners” along the walkways, as shown in the rendering to the right.



Shown in this **Area 2** rendering is an example of the benches with naming opportunities along the walkways that will display the bronze graduation plaques for the years 1975 and beyond. The flow of these plaques into this area is seamless from the Alumni Memorial Area 1 and all will have subdued 24/7 lighting.

Area 3 (see below) for bench-naming opportunities is located on the patio of the Alumni Hall along an 80-foot curved black granite bench, and directly opposite from the base-coping name opportunities under the stained-glass windows.



AREAS 1, 2, & 3 - BENCH OPTIONS \$10,000

Name on the front of the stone benches placed throughout the grounds of the Alumni Memorial and Park area, to include this patio of the Alumni Hall.

AREA 4 - BASE COPING OPTION \$20,000

Name prominently displayed on the base coping directly below the stained-glass windows of the Alumni Hall.



Naming opportunities in **Area 4** (see above) are along what we call the “base coping” area underneath the stained-glass windows of the Alumni Hall itself. These naming spaces are the most limited as they are only on the north side of the Hall facing Root Hall. The names will be individually back-lit for exceptional visibility day and night, and they also will be seen frequently as they are adjacent to the large event patio.

The time to commit to naming opportunities is approaching, if you have not already done so!

Please continue to monitor our progress on the Alumni Hall and Park on our website at www.usawc.org.

Thank you for helping create something special for everyone associated with The Army War College! Tisha Collins



Our Army War College Foundation is blessed with graduates, faculty and staff members, NSS and CNSP alums, and friends of the Foundation who are willing to do their part to make it possible for us to provide support to the College. Thank you to the following individuals who became Life Members of the Foundation from August 9, 2025 through January 31, 2026. Memberships **and** donations are both tax deductible to the full extent of the law based on our 501(c)(3) status, and they truly make a difference.

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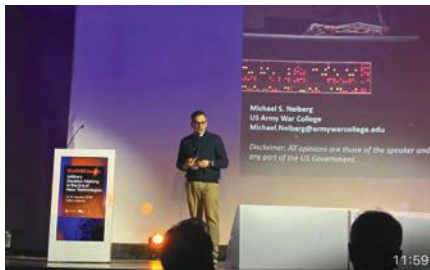
Chair of War Studies

Dr. Michael Neiberg continues to be a thought leader on the meaning of artificial intelligence (AI) for strategy and future decision-making. He recently went to USAREUR-AF to discuss ways that a USAWC student-faculty Integrated Research Project (IRP) team can help develop AI concepts for maintaining a future peace in Ukraine.

Dr. Neiberg also presented a keynote address on AI and senior leader decision-making at the EstMil.tech 2026 conference on January 14-15, 2026 hosted by the Tallinn University of Technology (TalTech). This international conference was dedicated to the future of military decision-making and the impact of emerging technologies on modern conflict. Discussions focused on the opportunities and risks of AI and explored cognitive warfare, as well as examined cooperation between academia and industry.

At the end of that same trip, Dr. Neiberg attended a formal dinner discussion of AI with industry, academic, and military leaders in London. He had exchanges with and enjoyed reconnecting with **LTG Lars Lervik, IF-Norway, RES '17** (left), Chief of the Norwegian Army, and **MG Jonny Lindfors, IF-Sweden, RES '18** (right), Chief of the Swedish Army.

Dr. Neiberg is also teaching Regional Studies, Europe and continues to publish and speak on issues of military history. Last fall, he had a productive trip to the French Embassy in Washington, D.C., where he met with a varied audience and discussed U.S. and France in the liberation of France. He caught up with **COL Joan Guiguet, IF-France, RES '23** (right), who is the French Liaison Officer to the Joint Staff.



De Serio Chair Update

The Francis W. De Serio Strategic Intelligence lecture took place on December 2, 2025. **Dr. Tom Spahr, RES '19**, De Serio Chairholder, planned the event and hosted **LTG (Ret) Robert P. Ashley, Jr., RES '05**, the 21st Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, former Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence (G2) of the Army, and one of the sixteen commissioners on the Congressionally-mandated Afghanistan War Commission. LTG Ashley's briefing to the students addressed the changing threat environment, the role of intelligence in strategic decision-making, and what he has learned from serving on the Afghanistan War Commission. LTG Ashley also met individually with six students enrolled in Dr. Spahr's "Adapting Intelligence to the Future Environment" Integrated Research Project.



In January 2026, Dr. Spahr represented the College at the Harding Project, Army University Press, and AUSA 2026 'Powerful Prose Writing & Editing Workshop' at the AUSA Headquarters in Arlington, Virginia. He moderated a panel that was titled "New Doctrine and the Components of a Story." The panelists were **MAJ McKinsey Harb**, Speechwriter to the Chief of Staff of the Army and lead author on FM-1, The Army, and **Dr. Peter Singer**, Useful Fiction, LLC, and author of *Wired for War*, *Like War*, and *Ghost Fleet*. This was a terrific learning experience and networking opportunity.



Dr. Spahr and **Mr. Michael Elieson** (CIA Faculty Rep to the USAWC) led the annual Regional Studies Intelligence Day on January 27, 2026. Dr. Spahr addressed the student body on the effects of AI on the future of strategic intelligence, how the Army Intelligence Force Structure is transforming, and the role of military leaders as consumers of intelligence. Mr. Elieson coordinated for 10 different CIA regional experts to attend a section of the Regional Studies Course and then conduct a classified briefing to the U.S. students during Dean's time. The event was very well received by students and the Regional Studies Course Director.

Dr. Spahr continues to host "A Better Peace, the *War Room* Podcast," with episodes focused on warfighting and intelligence. Recent highlights include a podcast on Army Transformation (*From Bureaucracy to Battlefield Agility*), the military mission in space (*Warfighting and the '1492 Moment' in Space*), on fighting in a nuclear environment (*Beyond Strangelove, Getting to Nuclear Normalcy*), and Army Intelligence in the Indo-Pacific (*Data, Deterrence and Diplomacy, Theater Army Intelligence in the Indo-Pacific*).

ADVANCED STRATEGIC ART PROGRAM (ASAP)



The government shutdown delayed the start of the AY26 Advanced Strategic Art Program (ASAP). However, this year's program was able to start in December with a day on the Gettysburg Battlefield previewing strategic and operational concepts that will be important across the program. This included such concepts as the role of the military instrument of power in achieving political aims, the application of joint warfighting functions, building defense forces, and effective strategic leadership.

RES '26 ASAP Students and Faculty Striking Their Best Civil-War Poses at the Leister House on the Gettysburg Battlefield. L-R: Dr. Darrell Driver, FAC; Lt Col Phillip Wagenbach; LTC Derek Reeves; Lt Col Angelica Hawrysiak; CDR Beau Belanger; Col Abraham Redoble; COL Christopher Green; COL Christopher Tison; LtCol Eric Prentice; Lt Col Casey Osborne; and COL Eric McCall. Far Right: COL Chuck Lawrence; LTC Mike Keasler; COL George Morris; and Mr. Isaac Eagan.



Members of the WAR ROOM editorial team. L-R: Dr. Ronald Granieri; COL J.P. Clark, Ph.D., RES '20; Dr. deRaismes Combes; Dr. Allison Abbe; and Col (Ret) Mark 'Buck' Haberichter, USAF.

WAR ROOM UPDATE

The Army War College's on-line journal, *War Room*, continues to support the education mission at Carlisle and the Joint Force more broadly. **Dr. Tom Spahr, RES '19**, the De Serio Chair of Strategic and Theater Intelligence, has recently been one of the most prolific podcast hosts with a range of episodes. His discussions with College faculty members **COL Jeremiah Aeschleman, RES '19** and **Lt Col David Zesinger, USSF, RES '24** covered important topics in the curriculum: conventional-nuclear operations integration and the role of the U.S. Space Force. Spahr also has been interviewing USAWC graduates and Fellows who are on the leading edge of military developments. **COL Johnny Ives, RES '21** described his role leading the integration of the Army's continuous transformation effort, while **COL Carol Stauffer, USAWCF '22** spoke about her roles as the commander of the Hawaii-based military intelligence brigade and then as the G-2 for U.S. Army Pacific. Finally, Spahr took the opportunity when **LTG (Ret) Robert P. Ashley, Jr., RES '05** visited Carlisle to deliver the AY26 De Serio Lecture to discuss the future of the intelligence community.

War Room articles continue to make a difference, as well. In just one week (the week of February 7th), the U.S. Army's Harding Project highlighted three *War Room* articles in its wrap-up of outstanding content that support CSA GEN Randy George's priorities. The articles covered such diverse topics as the heroic last-ditch stand of **then-Colonel (now Maj Gen) Ihor Hordiichuk, IF-Ukraine, RES '09**, the application of project management principles to campaign planning, and the importance of officer functional career fields. One article that might be of particular interest for graduates is **Prof. Christian Cook's (USN, Ret)** update on the integration of Distance Education Program students into the National Security Simulation Exercise of Competition, Crisis, and Conflict (NSEC3), formerly the Joint Land Air Sea Strategic Special Program (JLASS-SP).

To listen or read these and all of our content, please go to warroom.armywarcollege.edu.

*by 'Buck' Haberichter, Managing Editor, WAR ROOM
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MT. PLEASANT FIELD

Brig. (Ret) John A. Sheldrick, IF-Australia, RES '80 wrote to us recently about a nice connection he discovered after reading our Summer 2025 magazine. That magazine reported the relocation of the main Garrison flagpole that had been in front of the old Root Hall and which was moved last year to the far end of Mt. Pleasant Field (formerly Indian Field) in the vicinity of our Alumni Memorial site. Brig. Sheldrick told us about the Mount Pleasant which sits at the back of and overlooks the Royal Military College (RMC) Duntroon in Canberra, Australia. Many of the Australian International Fellows over the years are RMC graduates and they would appreciate the connection. Also, Carlisle Barracks has the historic cannon at one end of its Mt. Pleasant Field, and atop the Mt. Pleasant near the RMC is a memorial dedicated to the Royal Australia Artillery and from that location, gun salutes are often fired. *Thanks to Brig. John Sheldrick, IF-Australia, RES '80 for this great feature.*

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CUMBERLAND COUNTY BRIDGE NAMED FOR SGT PATRICK HAWKINS

On October 17, 2025, the family and friends of **COL (Ret) Roy and Sheila Hawkins, RES '99** gathered at the N. Middleton Township Firehouse for a ceremony in conjunction with the dedication of a bridge nearby in memory of their son, **SGT Patrick C. Hawkins**. Patrick was killed on October 6, 2013 while conducting combat operations during his fourth Afghanistan deployment while a member of B Co, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment.



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



TRIBUTES TO GEN RICHARD CAVAZOS, RES '69 AND LTG ARTHUR GREGG, RES '68

In our last magazine, we offered the opportunity to contribute to a bench-naming opportunity in our USAWC Alumni Hall and Park in memory of GEN Cavazos and LTG Gregg, who each had an Army installation named for him prior to the more recent re-naming initiatives. Donations are still being accepted but a number of you stepped up and contributed to this effort and we are pleased to report that both GEN Cavazos and LTG Gregg will be honored with a bench. **Thank you.**



LTG Arthur Gregg, RES '68



GEN Richard Cavazos, RES '69

SPECIAL TRIBUTES



GEN (RET) WILLIAM F. 'BUCK' KERNAN, RES '87

Died September 2, 2025 (79)

General Buck Kernan and I crossed paths on many occasions during our respective times in the Airborne and Special Operations Communities. I met him in the early seventies and our friendship grew and was sustained until his death this past fall. One of the experiences we both shared was a two-year posting as exchange company commanders in the British Parachute Regiment, hence we shared mutual friendships on both sides of the Atlantic.

We were both commissioned through OCS and that affiliation also prompted discussions of shared experiences. Buck's career in the Army was one of command to include *multiple* company commands, *multiple* battalion commands, and Regimental command. This extensive command experience prepared him for Division and Corps command and ultimately to command U.S. Joint Forces Command/Supreme Allied Command/Atlantic. I always found Buck's time in command extraordinary and uniquely special in the sheer number of commands and in the total amounts of time in command. His place in the legacies of the XVIII Airborne Corps, the 101st Airborne Division, the 75th Ranger Regiment, and so many other organizations across our Army and the Joint Force is forever.

During our retirement years, Buck and I continued interface as I served on the board of the Special Operations Warrior Foundation and Buck on the board of the Patriot Foundation.

I will miss that twinkle in his eye, the Kernan grin, and his spontaneous chuckle. He was truly a Soldier's Soldier.

by BG (Ret) Richard W. 'Dick' Potter, RES '81
Friend and Colleague



BG (RET) EVELYN 'PAT' FOOTE, RES '77
Died August 10, 2025 (95)

Our lives are about connections, and meaningful ones, especially...

As I prepared this Winter magazine, I felt compelled to include a tribute to BG Pat Foote, the first female faculty member at the U.S. Army War College in the late 70s. She was a Military Police officer, a Vietnam veteran, and a truly remarkable leader who loved the U.S. Army. I was commissioned as a Women's Army Corps (WAC) officer in the early 1970s, and I have tried to imagine the challenges for Pat Foote commissioned WAC in the late 1950s, but it is difficult to do! She had to be "tough as nails" but also be a lady. She was one of the smartest and most competent officers I ever met, and for as long ago as I can remember from my lieutenant days, she was a legend. In my mind, she was the perfect "first" at whatever tasks she was given or allowed to tackle.

Recently, another friend of hers and mine, **COL (Ret) Pat Jernigan, RES '84** (also known as 'PJ'), and I decided we would co-sponsor a bench in our USAWC Alumni Hall and Park in BG Foote's memory. Pat Jernigan was also a Vietnam veteran and her history with Pat Foote was decades long, so it was a joyful decision for both of us to honor BG Foote in this way. Before writing this tribute to BG Foote, I sensed that Pat Jernigan would be the right person to write it for our magazine, but when I tried to reach her about this, I learned that she had also recently passed away on January 6, 2026, at 83.

These two officers – Pat Foote and Pat Jernigan – are among the most admired of any I have ever known. I write this with great sadness that both have now passed away, but also with great joy that they thrived in an Army that valued their capabilities, character, and contributions, and let them forge a path for those of us following them to also serve and contribute to our country in ways that make a difference.

by COL (Ret) Ruth B. Collins, RES '98



GEN (RET) DAVID M. MADDOX, RES '78
Died January 3, 2026 (87)

The American Army has the knack for getting the right leaders in place when it needs them most. Such was the case when the CSA sent General Dave Maddox to Europe in the summer of 1989. By the time he retired nearly six years later, he had commanded the 8th ID, V Corps, and USAREUR, and he had successfully guided the U.S. Army in Europe through its greatest shake-up since WWII.

In those chaotic six years, USAREUR saw the Berlin Wall come down, the end of the Cold War, and the deployment of the VII Corps for Operation Desert Storm. Over time, the Army reduced USAREUR's strength from 214,000 to 65,000 soldiers, and the focus turned to the Balkans. Confronted with ever-changing requirements, USAREUR eventually transformed itself to the force structure that has largely defined America's support for NATO and Europe for the past 30 years.

General Maddox was the ideal leader to guide USAREUR through these challenges. He brought broad experience in systems analysis and was widely regarded as a quick and powerful intellect with an instinct for what worked. He had a piercing style of questioning that often started by interrupting a briefer with "My issue is..." that signaled a long meeting to drill down to the very base of whatever issue was on the table. Through his focus, he compelled everyone to think better about complex issues.

Despite the press of his responsibilities, he would talk to anyone without regard to rank or position who had something to offer, expecting him to defend his point of view as his intellectual equal. He could outwork almost anyone in USAREUR, and he was infamous for working well into the small hours of the night until he got to the bottom of the challenge at question. The work was hard, and there were no easy solutions. But all recognized that he was a unique teacher and that their performances improved exponentially. Pressed for time to get USAREUR reorganized, he quipped, "We may be just ahead of the headlights on the Jeep, but we're ahead and we're getting there."

Beneath his all-consuming focus on the future of USAREUR, General Maddox had a deep concern for the welfare of the Soldiers and families in Europe. He was a leader of character, and all came to know that in the end he would do the right thing for people and USAREUR. Socially, he was unfailingly cordial. He loved wine, the learning about it, and the socializing that came with it. He enjoyed a hearty laugh, and was always ready for a good meal or an evening out. He loved the art of Eastern European and could be sighted prowling bazaars searching for a unique piece.

General Dave Maddox was a leader of character who made a profound impact on the American Army in Europe at a most critical juncture, and we are not likely to forget him anytime soon...nor should we.

by BG (Ret) Neil N. Snyder III, RES '86
Executive Officer to GEN Maddox 1992-1994



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MG (Ret) William F. Ward, Jr., DCS '72 from COL (Ret) Robert F. Schlegel, Jr., DCS '86

COL (Ret) Richard L. Jepsen, DCS '73 from his widow, Mrs. Wanda Jepsen

COL (Ret) George G. Schwenk, DCS '73 from his widow, Mrs. Catherine Schwenk

COL (Ret) Earle A. Malkin, DCS '74 from his widow, Mrs. Jo Ann B. Malkin

Mrs. Carolyn Bullock from her widower, COL (Ret) Chuck Bullock, RES '75

Mrs. Margareta F. McIlroy from her widower, COL (Ret) Wilmer L. McIlroy, Jr., RES '75

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from his widow, Mrs. Anastasia 'Stacy' Poydasheff

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from his son, LTG (Ret) Willard M. Burleson III, RES '08

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COL (Ret) Kenton E. Ross, DCS '77 from his widow, Mrs. Eula Ross

MG (Ret) James B. Allen, Jr., RES '78 from his widow, Mrs. Jo Lynn H. Allen

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COL (Ret) Michael A. Dickerson, DCS '79 from his widow, Mrs. Nancy Dickerson

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1980s

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MG (Ret) Edison E. Scholes, RES '80 from COL (Ret) Miller L. Love, Jr., DCS '85

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from his widow, Mrs. Charles A. Woodbeck

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COL (Ret) Lee T. Massey, RES '81 from COL (Ret) Roy S. Johnson III, RES '85

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

from his widow, Mrs. Lin Rhame

from COL (Ret) Allen and Mrs. Audrey Wild, RES 1981

COL (Ret) James M. Chatfield, Sr., RES '82

from his son, COL (Ret) James M. Chatfield, Jr., DDE '14

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COL (Ret) Harry J. Bacas, RES '83 from his widow, Mrs. Donna K. Bacas

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COL (Ret) William F. Ryall, DCS '85 from his widow, Mrs. Martha Ryall

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COL (Ret) Kenneth R. Pierce, Jr., RES '86

from COL (Ret) Louis H. Anderson, DCS '86

Col (Ret) Phillip E. Thompson, USAF, RES '86

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from BG (Ret) Roger C. Bultman, RES '86

Mrs. Margaret E. Broadhurst

from her widower, COL (Ret) Carl R. Broadhurst, DCS '87

COL (Ret) R. William Sweeney, Jr., RES '87 from Mr. Taylor L. Conley, RES '87

COL (Ret) Larry R. Burnette, RES '88 from his widow, Mrs. Margaret D. Burnette

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

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

COL (Ret) Peter C. Langenus, DCS '88 from Ms. Mary Beth Sullivan, NSS '16

COL (Ret) Allen D. Wright, DCS '88 from his widow, Mrs. Jo Ann Wright

COL (Ret) Robert C. Edwards, RES '89, Seminar 14

from COL (Ret) James D. Moore, RES '89

COL (Ret) Robert E. Ellis, RES '89, Seminar 14

from COL (Ret) James D. Moore, RES '89

1990s

LTG Timothy J. Maude, RES '90 from COL (Ret) Ronald F. Cameron, DCS '87

GEN (Ret) Charles 'Hondo' Campbell, RES '91

from MG (Ret) Robert H. Griffin, RES '92

MG (Ret) Patrick D. Sculley, D.D.S., RES '91 from Sculley Family

LTC (Ret) Wayne A. Silkett, DCS '91 from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Flanz, RES '00

COL (Ret) Robert N. Tredway from his widow, Ms. Doris Anne Martin, RES '91

Dr. Kent Butts and Mrs. April Butts from Mr. Glenn Thulin

LCDR (Ret) Melva Renee McMillan, USN

from her widow, COL (Ret) Howard 'Mac' McMillan, RES '92

COL (Ret) John A. Spears, Jr., USAWCF '92

from MG (Ret) Robert H. Griffin, RES '92

Mrs. Catherine Claggett from her widower, COL (Ret) David C. Claggett

Mrs. Ellen Kievit, wife of LTC (Ret) James O. Kievit, former FAC

from COL (Ret) Michael J. Pasquaretti, former FAC

LTG (Ret) Richard A. Chilcoat, USAWC Cmdt '94-'97

from COL (Ret) and Mrs. Everette L. Roper, Jr., RES '87

COL (Ret) Peter F. Cohen, DCS '94

from his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Barton L. Satsky

from COL (Ret) and Mrs. Richard W. Dillon, DDE '04

COL (Ret) J. Benjamin Hall, M.D., RES '94 from COL (Ret) W. Mace Brady, RES '94

BG (Ret) Roger W. Wheelwright, RES '95

from his widow, COL (Ret) Irene N. Wheelwright, RES '95

COL (Ret) Barringer F. Wingard, Jr., RES '95

from his widow, Mrs. Carrington Wingard

from COL (Ret) James G. Perlmutter, RES '95

from Jerry Vinson, NSS '07 and Flo Vinson, NSS '10

COL (Ret) Howard I. Harmatz, RES '96 from BG (Ret) Leslie L. Fuller, RES '96

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

COL (Ret) Jo Carol 'JC' Terry, RES '96

from her partner, COL (Ret) Melita E. McCully, RES '98

MG (Ret) Robert H. Scales, Jr., USAWC Cmdt '97-'00

from COL (Ret) Jack LeCuyer, USAWCF '86

from COL (Ret) and Mrs. Everette L. Roper, Jr., RES '87

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

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from CSM (Ret) Ronald H. Rath

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

2000s

COL Kevin R. Cunningham, RES '00 from COL (Ret) Robert A. Watson, DDE '03

COL (Ret) Paul C. Jussel, Ph.D., RES '00 from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

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

from Mr. John Deighan

from COL (Ret) John W. Van De Loop, RES '09

Ms. Paula S. Franchak, DDE '04 from her widower, Mr. S. J. Franchak

Mrs. Stacie Hillison, wife of COL (Ret) Joel R. Hillison, RES '04

from COL (Ret) Michael W. McDougal, DDE '10

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CW4 (Ret) Larry L. Lofts from his widow, COL (Ret) Kathleen A. Lofts, DDE '05

Mr. Anthony 'Tony' Collins, NSS '06 from his widow, Mrs. Belinda Collins

BG (Ret) Francis S. Laudano III, DDE '06 from COL (Ret) Kip O. Lassner, DDE '16

Dr. Sara L. Morgan, FAC '06-'11

from her Family

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COL John M. McHugh, RES '09

from COL (Ret) Kevin J. Degnan, RES '09

from COL (Ret) Allen W. Kiefer, RES '09

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Mr. Lew Sonn, NSS '11 from his daughter, Ms. Felicia Sonn Baskin

LTC Michael J. Backus, DDE '12 from COL (Ret) Mike Pooler, DDE '13

Mrs. Sheri Lynne Cohen from her widower, COL (Ret) Jonathan M. Cohen, RES '12

COL Hugh D. Shoults, RES '13

from his widow, Ms. Jennifer Stepetic

from COL (Ret) J. D. McMonigle, DCS '86

COL Richard J. Surowiec, RES '17 from his parents, Charles and Mary Surowiec

Others

The 1983 Marine Barracks Bombing, Beirut, Lebanon

from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

8th Cavalry Regiment, U.S. Army, Battle of Unsan, Korean War

from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

Fourth anniversary of the attack at Abbey Gate, Afghanistan, August 26, 2021

from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

1st Sgt (Ret) Aubrey L. Barber from his son, Mr. Michael A. Barber, NSS '03

SPC Sarah Beckstrom, 863rd Military Police Co, WV ARNG

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Dr. Fotis C. Benetos, Greek Army, Greek Turkish War of 1974

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

COL (Ret) Fitzhugh H. Chandler, Sr.

from his son, COL (Ret) Richard V. Chandler, RES '91

TSGT Edward Coveleskie, WWII Veteran

from his son, COL (Ret) Edward S. Kowalewski, RES '88

Colonel Fred Delva from MG (Ret) and Mrs. William J. Collins, Jr., SRCOC '91, '95

Mrs. Emalie Feerick from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

COL (Ret) Robert B. Franklin, Sr.

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

COL (Ret) Samuel Fuoco from COL (Ret) Pamela 'Pam' Brady, DDE '05

John Goodman from his brother, COL (Ret) Mike Goodman, USAWCF '89

CPT Oliver M. Hitch from Engrid and John Meng, NSS '11

CPT Karl O. 'Hap' Holliday from his son, Mr. Bob Holliday, NSS '00

LTG (Ret) Patrick M. Hughes from Mr. Arthur G. Peterson, DCS '94

Two Iowa National Guard Soldiers and one Civilian Interpreter killed

12/13/2025 in Syria from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

Mrs. Mary Jannace and SFC Anthony E. Jannace

from their son, Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

MAJ Doug LaBouff from COL (Ret) David J. Clark, RES '06

COL Jonathan E. Lake from COL (Ret) Steven G. Woods, RES '04

Mr. Larry LeFoy, Vietnam veteran, USN

from COL (Ret) Steve and Mrs. Leigh Roop, RES '96

Major Howard C. Linke, WWII from his son, COL (Ret) H. T. Linke, RES '86

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General of the Army Douglas MacArthur, 75th Anniversary of the Inchon Landing, Korea
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Mr. John Manos, Boatswain's Mate Third Class, USN, Korean War
from his cousin, Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

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

Frank Paul Mascia, Jr., USN from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

ILT Leland S. McCants III, MIA, Vietnam from COL (Ret) Dennis A. Bassett, DCS '90

Sister Margaret McManus, Franciscan Sisters of Allegany
from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

MSG John C. Meng from Engrid and John Meng, NSS '11

2LT Patrick Newcomer from his father, COL (Ret) Timothy Newcomer, Ph.D., DDE '05

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

ISG Merton B. Parlier, A Co, 91st Chem Mortar Bn, 2nd INF
from his son, COL (Ret) Gregory H. Parlier, Ph.D., RES '96

PFC James Pavlides, 82nd Airborne, WWII from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

84th Anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941
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Penguërec Massacre, Village of Gouesnou, France, August 7, 1944
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Michael Perry from BG (Ret) Owen W. Monconduit, DDE '07

CPL Glynn G. Raby, Jr., Co H, 9IR, 2ID, WWII from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

John Robert Ralph, 10th Mountain Division
from his daughter and son-in-law, Ms. Chandler Ralph, NSS '96 and Mr. David Aldrich

Dr. James L. Rapport from his daughter, Ms. Adele Rapport, CNSP '21

MAJ Alan Rogers from COL (Ret) David J. Clark, RES '06

Lt Gen (Ret) Ervin J. Rokke, USAF from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

Frank J. Rubino, PFC, 346IR, 87ID, Battle of the Bulge, January 3, 1945
from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

Mr. Robert 'Bob' Saunders from COL (Ret) Al Wondrasek, RES '95

U.S. Rep. 'Ike' Skelton (Missouri) from his NSS nominee, Mr. Gary Sosniecki, NSS '00

Shirley Anne Smith from her son, COL (Ret) Nathan G. Smith, DDE '10

Sutton Smith from his daughter, COL (Ret) Gladys Vandetta Smith, RES '05

Mrs. Frances Snipes from her son, COL (Ret) Mike Snipes, DDE '01

CW2 (Ret) Joseph Stefula from his son, COL (Ret) John E. Stefula, DDE '13

William Stockel from his son, BG (Ret) Christopher W. Stockel, RES '09

ILT James Mansfield Symington, 23rd Inf, 2nd Div
from his grandson, Mr. James M. Symington, Jr., RES '01

SFC James E. Thode, KIA Afghanistan, 2010
from COL (Ret) Robert T. Dunton, DDE '09

Mr. Francis X. Tighe, 286th Field Artillery Observation, Battle of the Bulge
from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

COL (Ret) Vincent C. Trapp from COL (Ret) J. D. McMonigle, DCS '86

Mr. Runzie and Mrs. Jean Valerio from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

SGT Konstantine L. Vellios, 802nd Engineer Aviation Bn, Korean War
from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

Great Patriots: VietNam Helicopter Pilots
from COL (Ret) James M. Houseworth, DDE '06

Elisabeth and Fritz Vincken, December 1944 Christmas Miracle in the Ardennes from Prof. William Jannace, NSS '22

LTC Joseph E. White from his son, COL (Ret) James R. White, USAWC '99

MAJ (Ret) Stephen Wondrasek from his son, COL (Ret) Al Wondrasek, RES '95

COL William W. Wood, BN CDR, KIA 2005 Baghdad
from BG (Ret) Nick Ducich, DDE '14

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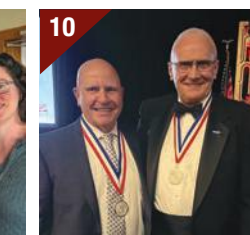
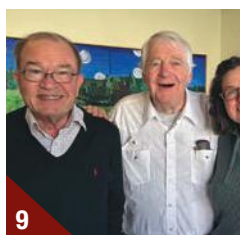
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*by LTC (Ret) Jen Bower,
DDE '17 and FAC*





1. COL (Ret) John A. MacIntyre, Jr., RES '80 and his wife, Pat, recently moved from San Antonio, Texas to Hilton Head, South Carolina. John indicated they will be looking for USAWC grads in their new area.
2. COL (Ret) James P. 'Jim' Hayes, MG (Ret) Robert G.F. 'Bob' Lee, and COL (Ret) Michael T. 'Mike' Metcalf, all three classmates from DCS '94, played golf together this past fall in both Wisconsin and Hawaii. That's a long and successful friendship since meeting at USAWC 32 years ago!
3. While in Normandy at a WWII Museum, COL (Ret) Ronald P. Steensland, DCS '95 (left) met Dr. Mike Neiberg, FAC, once again showing the power of wearing a USAWC jacket.
4. COL (Ret) John A. Bonin, Ph.D., RES '95 (left) attended the 7th Annual "Honor the Warrior" gathering in Dallas, Texas in November 2025 where he and COL (Ret) Lee Van Arsdale, RES '97 (right), a Silver Star recipient for the Battle of Mogadishu, helped honor COL (Ret) Robert A. 'Tex' Turner, RES '78. LTC (Ret) Tony Colby, former FAC, also made a presentation to Tex during the event.
5. BG (Ret) Frederic Drion, IF-France, RES '95 is proud that his son, Alexis, is serving in Special Forces supporting the Ukrainian military in an international unit. Alexis (left) is in regular contact with his father's friend and classmate, COL (Ret) Leonid I. Polyakov, IF-Ukraine, RES '95 (right).
6. COL (Ret) Bernard L. DeKoning, RES '98 served as a speaker at the South Carolina Capitol Building in September 2025 to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the surrender of Japan and the end of WWII. He had several family members who were POWs and civilian internees in Japanese-occupied Netherlands, East Indies, Burma, and Japan itself. The easels behind him displayed a list of 18 family members who were imprisoned along with photos of seven family members who perished.
7. LTG (Ret) P. 'Ken' Keen, RES '98 and former Chairman of the Army War College Foundation Board of Trustees, was welcomed as the new Chairman of the National Infantry Museum Foundation. He is a former 75th Ranger Regiment Commander and professor at Emory University's Goizueta Business School.
8. Mr. Daniel P. Possumato, RES '99 has published a feature in the February 2026 AUSA *Army Magazine* entitled, "Civilians Play Vital Role in Keeping Army Running." He is also keeping busy with his music concerts, teaching at University of Southern Maine, and traveling. He mentioned that, meanwhile, shoveling the snow up in Maine this winter has turned into an Olympic sport!
9. COL (Ret) Steven F. Gouge, RES '01 (left) connected with former seminar-mate Mr. James 'McKim' Symington, Jr., RES '01 (center) while in Charlottesville visiting his daughter, Rachel Gouge Barbor. Rachel was a senior at Carlisle High School in 2001 and met her future husband there.
10. LTG (Ret) H.R. McMaster, Jr., USAWCF '03 is shown here with LTG (Ret) Roger C. Schultz, RES '92 (current AWCF Chairman) at the 2025 Pritzker Military Museum and Library Liberty Gala in Chicago, IL in September 2025. McMaster was this year's Citizen Soldier honoree, and Schultz was the 2024 honoree.
11. COL (Ret) Dale P. Foster, DDE '04 (right) was inducted into the OCS Hall of Fame at Fort Benning, Georgia in March 2025 with COL (Ret) John R. Dabrowski, PhD, DDE '02 (left) in attendance. They are both proud of their service together as USAWC DDE faculty instructors.
12. LTC (Ret) Cheryl McAuley, RES '05 attended the groundbreaking for the new Veterans Memorial Museum in Huntsville, Alabama where classmate COL (Ret) Scott Thompson, RES '05 is the Deputy Director.
13. LTC (Ret) James V. 'Jim' Di Crocco III, DDE '10 (right) ran into COL Linda S. Standage, RES '93 and her husband Bill (left) in the passenger terminal of Joint Base Lewis-McChord on January 17, 2026. Jim mentioned to them in passing that he and his wife Katherine were returning home to Carlisle, and the instant connection to USAWC was made!
14. COL (Ret) Jayson A. Altieri, RES '11, docent for the First White House of the Confederacy, was recently honored with the United Daughters of the Confederacy's Jefferson Davis Historical Gold Medal for his research and writings, to include his book *A Guest of Mr. Lincoln: The Wartime Service of Sergeant Joseph W. Wheelless, Company K, 32nd North Carolina Infantry Regiment, CSA* (featured in our Summer 2024 magazine).
15. LTG (Ret) Milford H. Beagle, Jr., USAWCF '12 relinquished command of the Combined Arms Center in September 2025, a position he held since 2022. He has retired from the U.S. Army after 35 years of service, cherishing the legacy of his family as the great-grandson of a WWI Veteran. His wife is by his side in the photo and many other family members and friends attended.



16. **Mr. Robert B. Hilton, DDE '12** (*left*) is the Senior Foreign Policy Advisor (POLAD) to ADM Samuel J. Paparo, Commander, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command (*right*), effective July 2025. This is Robert's second POLAD tour with the Department of State.
17. **LTG (Ret) Cristian Vial, IF-Chile, RES '12** and former FAC was recently elected as a Senator in Chile.
18. **COL (Ret) Douglas W. Winton, RES '13** became the Chief Academic Officer and Deputy Assistant Director of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency in September 2025.
19. **BG Peter J. Whalen, RES '14** recently retired from the U.S. Army Reserve after completing 36 years of service. His wife Maria is by his side.
20. **BG Caroline Pogge, MHA, DrPH, DDE '18** (*center*) was inducted last fall into the University of Kentucky Alumni Association's Hall of Distinguished Alumni, as the first inductee from UK College of Public Health and Master of Healthcare Administration program. She celebrated with friends from across her dual careers to include **COL Jennifer Kostic, DDE '23** (*right*) and Tulane AROTC Cadet, Jason Wigand (*left*).
21. **Col Jeffrey R. Greenwald, USMCR, RES '19** (*left*) and his USAWC classmate **BG Yuval E. Gez, IF-Israel, RES '19** found themselves working together recently in Israel. Greenwald is the Israeli Mechanism Liaison Officer to Northern Command and Gez is the 91st Division Commander under the Israeli Northern Command. The cessation of hostilities mechanism between Lebanon and Israel is overseen by a joint committee—maintained under U.S. and French supervision—that monitors compliance with the 2024 ceasefire agreement, addresses violations, and coordinates military level discussions to prevent escalation.
22. **BG Robert C. Horvath, RES '21** was promoted at Joint Forces HQs in Rancho Cordova, California by **MG Jeffrey D. Smiley, DDE '12** (*far left*). He was joined on stage by his wife Shannon and son Thomas. Robert will be the Assistant Division Commander, 40th Infantry Division, CAARNG.
23. **Brig Gen Lynn M. Lee, RES '21** was promoted to her current rank during a ceremony November 13th at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania by **MG John R. Pippy, DDE '17**, Adjutant General of Pennsylvania (*right*). Lee serves as Chief of Staff, Pennsylvania Air National Guard.
24. **BG Sergiu Cirimpei, IF-Modolva, RES '22** is now the Deputy Chief of Staff of the National Army and the Defense Attache to the United States.
25. **CAPT Chuong Thieu Nguyen, USNR, DDE '25** (*right*) and his brother **COL Binh-Minh Thieu Nguyen, DDE '20** (*left*) celebrated their USAWC time at graduation in Summer 2025. They both started as privates in the U.S. Army Reserve and have collectively served over 60 years with four combat deployments in the Middle East. They also now have three masters' degrees each to their credit.



The **2025 Sonny Moore Lecture** at the USAWC in September 2025 was the perfect time for a reunion of sorts for **CH (COL, Ret) Alvin M. 'Sonny' Moore, RES '01** and his wife **Celia** (*both far right*). The lecture itself was created soon after the passing of Sonny's wife Martha in 2005 and it is sponsored by Sonny's longtime friends, the late **Russell T. Bundy**, former AWC Trustee, and his wife **Liz** who still resides in Columbus, Ohio. The Bundys were represented at this year's lecture by their son **COL (Ret) William D. 'Bill' Bundy, DDE '20** (*center left*). The group was joined by former faculty member **COL (Ret) Alexander P. 'Al' Shine, DCS '90** (*center right*) and his wife **Sandra** and their son **COL Jonathan A. 'Jon' Shine, RES '18** (*both far left*) who is currently on the USAWC faculty. The Shines and the Bundys are further connected back four decades ago via the Culver Military Academy in Indiana, where Al was on the faculty and Bill Bundy and his brothers were young students and cadets. This is a great example of the "small world aspect of the big Army."



COL (Ret) Bernard F. 'Bernie' Griffard, DCS '87 made his annual return trip in October 2025 to Carlisle after retiring in 2015 from his Professor duties in the Center for Strategic Leadership (CSL) in Collins Hall. Bernie and his wife Lori (middle) are shown here in the Army War College Foundation office joined by **BG (Ret) Mark O'Donnell, RES '13** and **COL (Ret) Ruth Collins, RES '98** (both left) and **COL (Ret) Frederick J. 'Fred' Gellert, RES '08**, longtime friend and CSL colleague (right).



COL (Ret) Celestino 'Tino' Perez, Jr., Ph.D., RES '15, USAWC Chair of Executive and Strategic Leadership (second from left) enjoyed seeing two former USAWC faculty members at a Professional Military Education gathering at the Marine Corps University in September 2025. **Dr. Megan J. Hennessey** (left) is Provost of Marine Corps University and **Dr. Kristin Mulready-Stone** (right), former Harold K. Johnson Chairholder at USAWC, is on the faculty at the Naval War College. **BGen Matthew Tracy, USMC** is the President of Marine Corps University. The photos behind them are of **GEN and Mrs. Alfred M. Gray, Jr., USMC, RES '74**, a proud graduate of USAWC who returned in 2014 to be honored with the Foundation's Outstanding Alum Award for his service in retirement.



COL (Ret) Barringer F. 'Barry' Wingard, RES '95, was recognized posthumously for his efforts in the creation of Veterans Park in Florence, South Carolina with the dedication of a monument there on Veterans Day 2025. His USAWC classmate **COL (Ret) James 'Jim' Perlmutter, RES '95** (far left, 1st row) and **MG (Ret) Harry B. Burchstead, Jr., DCS '97** (not pictured) represented USAWC at the dedication alongside Barry's wife, Mrs. Carrington Wingard.



COL (Ret) Harry A. Tomlin (center) and **COL (Ret) Wm. G. 'Bill' Pierce, Ph.D.** (right), both **RES '98** and longtime faculty members, were honored on September 23, 2025 by the College for faculty excellence. They were joined for the ceremony by fellow department colleagues. L-R: **Col (Ret) Doug Douds, Ph.D., USMC, RES '10**; **Col (Ret) Mike Marra, USAF, RES '04**; and **COL (Ret) Jim Gordon, Ed.D, RES '96**.



L-R: **Dr. Michael E. Lynch, FAC**, **Mr. Michael E. Collins, SIS '11** (and current AWCF BoT), visited with **Mr. Byron McConnell** of McConnell Project Management and **COL (Ret) Stephen J. Mariano, Ph.D., USAWCF '06**, Provost of the U.S. Naval War College while attending the Kingston Consortium on International Security (KCIS) in November 2025 in Kingston, Ontario.



COL (Ret) Robert J. 'Bob' Melchior, RES '91 and his wife **Jane** (both center) visited on December 15, 2025 to see the new Root Hall and the site for the Alumni Hall and Park. L-R: **BG (Ret) Mark O'Donnell, RES '13**; **COL (Ret) Ruth Collins, RES '98**; Jane and Bob; **COL (Ret) Fred Gellert, RES '08**; and **LTG (Ret) Roger Schultz, RES '92**, AWCF Board Chairman. Fred and Bob were Boy Scout leaders together many years ago, and LTG Schultz met Bob during the construction of the Museum of the U.S. Army.



On February 4, 2026, Florida House lawmakers voted 110-0 to expand Florida's Veterans Treatment Courts via HB 199, a bill sponsored by **BG (Ret) Thomas P. 'Patt' Maney, DCS '89**, a Florida Representative, member of the Florida Veterans Hall of Fame Council and former Judge of the 1st Judicial Circuit. Florida is home to one of the largest veteran populations in the nation, with nearly 1.4 million of America's 19.1 million veterans, and Maney is a long-time advocate for veterans receiving fair and just treatment in the legal system.

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L-R Front: Vivian Gaz; Jan Botz; Jeff Arnold; Joe Peterson; MG Trevor Bredenkamp (then Commandant); Roger Schultz (Chairman); Ruth Collins (Pres & CEO), Peggy Wilmoth; Ellen Shumway; and Irene Zoppi (Rodriguez). **2nd Row:** Zeb Bradford; Hans Christensen (Vice Chairman); Dan Starks; Mike Collins; Bill Pinsky; Tom Beaty; Joe LoScalzo; and Mark O'Donnell (COO). **3rd Row:** Julie Kaplan; Jessica Wright; Roger Searce; Scott Becker; Wilbur Wolf; Jim Clemens; and Kevin Bernardo. **Back:** Dr. Dave Dworak (Provost); Dave Lawrence; Tim Orr; Walt Lord; Charlie Trippe; Jeff Elliott; and Kevin Dixon (Asst. Cmdt for Outreach).