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Established in 2004 as a joint venture between the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) and the U.S. Army Warrant Officer Career College (WOCC), the Order of the Eagle Rising Society recognizes individuals who have contributed significantly to the promotion of the Warrant Officer Community in ways that stand out in the eyes of the recipient's seniors, subordinates, and peers. These individuals must also demonstrate the highest standards of integrity and moral character, display an outstanding degree of professional competence, and serve the United States Army community with distinction. A nominee for the Order of the Eagle Rising Society must have served as a member of the U.S. Military, or a civilian working within the military community and have demonstrated a significant conspicuous contribution in support of the Warrant Officer Community; must represent the highest standards of integrity, moral character, professional competence, and dedication to duty.

Welcomes

***Robert L. Huffman
and
Robert D. Scott***



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WARRANT OFFICER CAREER COLLEGE

Sequence of Events

- Invocation
- Host's Welcome
- Guest Speaker
- 2009 Eagle Rising Society Induction
- Closing remarks
- Benediction



COL Mark T. Jones

COL Mark Jones graduated in 1984 as a Distinguished Military Graduate from McNeese State University, Lake Charles, Louisiana with a Bachelor of Science Degree. He holds a Masters of Arts Degree from the United States Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. His military education includes the Aviation Officer Basic Course, Flight School, Aviation Officer Advanced Course, SERE-C, U.S. Army Command and General Staff Officer Course, the Joint Forces Staff College, and Senior Service College. He is a Master Army Aviator rated in the UH-1, OH-58, AH-1, AH-6, and AH-64A/D (Apache Longbow).

COL Jones's operational assignments include Platoon Leader and Assistant Battalion S-3, 2nd Battalion (Attack), 4th Aviation Regiment, 8th Infantry Division; Assistant Battalion S-3 and Commander, Company B, 3rd Battalion, 101st Aviation Regiment, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm; Assistant Brigade S-3, 101st Aviation Brigade, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault); Platoon Leader, Company B (Attack), 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment with operations in Somalia; Regimental Operations Officer, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment; Commander, Company B (Attack), 1st Battalion, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment; Special Mission Unit Liaison Officer, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment; S-3, 1st Battalion (Attack), 2nd Aviation Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division, Camp Page, Korea; Regimental Executive Officer, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment; Commander, 1st Battalion (Attack) 3rd Aviation Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division with operations in Kuwait in support of Operation Desert Spring; and Director of Training (J7), Special Operations Command, United States Joint Forces Command with operations in Afghanistan and Iraq in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. Prior to taking Command of the Warrant Officer Career College, COL Jones was Director, Aviation Branch Personnel Proprietary.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal (4 awards), Air Medal with Valor device, Air Medal (2 awards), Army Commendation Medal (2 awards), Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal (2 awards), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (2 awards), Southwest Asia Service Medal (2 awards), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korea Defense Service Medal, United Nations Medal, Saudi Arabia/Kuwait Liberation Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Master Army Aviator Badge, Air Assault Badge, and the Parachutist Badge. He is the recipient of the Order of Saint Michael Bronze Medal.

COL Jones and his wife Sheila have three children, Brittany, Zachary, and Caeley.

EAGLE RISING SOCIETY MEMBERS

2004

MAJ (Ret) FREDERICK FERGUSON
CW4 (Ret) MICHAEL NOVOSEL, Deceased

2005

CW4 (Ret) DONALD E. HESS
CW4 (Ret) WILLIE RUF, Deceased

2006

CW5 DAVID WILLIAMS
CW5 DEAN E. STOOPS

2007

CW5 (Ret) DONALD R. HOWERTON
CW5 SHARON T. SWARTWORTH, Deceased

2008

CW5 (Ret) THOMAS M. O'SULLIVAN
CW5 (Ret) WILLIAM R. WALTON



**Vice Admiral Norbert R. Ryan, Jr.,
United States Navy, Retired**

Admiral Ryan became President of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) in September 2002. He is MOAA's ninth President in the organization's 81 years.

A native of Mountainhome, Pennsylvania, Admiral Ryan graduated from the United States Naval Academy in June 1967. He is also a graduate of George Washington University, with a Master of Science Degree in Personnel Administration, and the Senior Officials in National Security Program at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

He was designated a Naval Aviator in 1968, and his numerous operational and sea duty assignments included command at the Squadron and Wing level culminating with command of Commander, Patrol Wings, U.S. Pacific Fleet/Commander, Task Force Twelve (CTF-12).

In addition to his operational assignments, Vice Adm. Ryan has also served as Company Officer/Midshipman Personnel Officer, U.S. Naval Academy; Deputy Executive Assistant/Aide to the Chief of Naval Operations; Executive Assistant to the Vice Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Total Force Programming and Manpower (Pers-5); Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Distribution (Pers-4); and Chief of Legislative Affairs.

In November 1999, Admiral Ryan assumed the duties of Chief of Naval Personnel/Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Manpower & Personnel), a position he held until his retirement in August 2002.

Among his awards and decorations Admiral Ryan is authorized to wear the Navy Distinguished Service Medal (w/1 Gold Star), Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit (w/3 Gold Stars), and the Meritorious Service Medal (w/2 Gold Stars). He is also the recipient of the 2010 Association Executive of the Year by *Association TRENDS* magazine.

The Admiral and his wife Judy, have two adult children, and reside in Fairfax Station, Va.



CW5 (R) Robert L. Huffman

CW5 (R) Robert L. Huffman enlisted in the Army in August 1977 and served as a UH-1H/U-21 and C-12 crew chief at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, Korea and Fort Gordon, GA.

In 1983, Mr. Huffman received his appointment to WO1 and graduated from the Warrant Officer Flight Training Program at Fort Rucker, Alabama. From flight school, he was assigned to Fort Campbell, KY as an aero scout pilot. He later became an instructor pilot and Instrument Flight Examiner in the OH-58A/C and OH-58D Kiowa Warrior. Mr. Huffman was selected as the first aero scout/armed reconnaissance helicopter pilot to 1st Aviation Regiment Australian Army Aviation. Mr. Huffman has deployed many times throughout the world.

Some of his previous assignments include the Senior Warrant Officer Advisory Council Chairman, SWO Advisor CAC CMDR, Fort Leavenworth, KS.; Aviation Branch Proponent, Fort Rucker, Alabama; Aviation Standardization Officer for the V Corps Safety and Standardization Detachment (CASSD), Aviation Standardization Instructor Pilot 2nd Squadron, 17th U.S. Cavalry Fort Campbell, KY; Standardization Instructor Pilot for B Company 3-101 (Blue Max). He retired from active duty on 1 Sep 07.

Awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal (fifth oak leaf cluster), Air Medal (3), Army Commendation Medal (fourth oak leaf cluster), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with bronze service star, Southwest Asia Service Medal with bronze service star, NATO Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kuwait), Air Assault Badge, Master Aviator Badge and Royal Australian Aviator Badge.

He remains active as the 1VP Association United States Army Association, Ft Campbell, KY, Sunrise Rotary Executive Board member, Commanding Generals Retiree Council, FTCKY, Leadership Clarksville, and Mission Clarksville. Robert is married to the former Donna K. Oberhausen, she has put up with him for over 25 years.



CW4 (R) Robert D. Scott

CW4 (R) Robert D. Scott entered the Army in November 1952 and served as an Infantryman in Korea and as a Fire Control Technician in the US Air Defense program. Appointed as a WO in January 1962 he was called to Active Duty in November 1962 serving in Korea, Vietnam, Germany and numerous state side locations for almost 21 years prior to his retirement from the US Army in January 1978. Following his retirement he joined the US Federal Civil Service and served for approximately 20 years, retiring as Director, Plans and Operations, US Army Personal Information Directorate, USA Personal Systems Command in Jan 1998.

He received his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Nebraska at Omaha and his Master's Degree from Central Michigan University. He is a graduate of the Federal Executive Institute and was a Senior Executive Fellow at Harvard University in 1993. An active Credit Union volunteer he is a graduate of the CU Directors Leadership Institute, the National CU Foundation's Development Educator (DE) program and the Australian Development Educator (DE) Program

Awards and decorations include the Civilian Meritorious Service Medal, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (1 OLC), Civilian Commendation Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal w/60 Device, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry w/ Palm, Meritorious Unit Citation, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service medal (! OLC), Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Vietnam Service Medal w/5 Bronze Stars, Korean Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal

CW4 Scott currently serves as the Vice Chairman of the PFCU Board of Directors and as the Chairman of The Pentagon Federal Credit Union Foundation (TPFCUF) serving our Wounded Warriors. CW4 Scott, President Emeritus of the US Army Warrant Officers Association also serves as President and Executive Director for the USAWOA Scholarship Foundation.