

**The Military Order of the World Wars
Colorado Springs Chapter
Post Office Box 2152
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COLORADO SPRINGS, CO CHAPTER #151

5 September 2022

1. Commander's Corner:

Hard to believe the summer vacation period is almost over, school is back in session, and Fall is approaching. I guess Labor Day weekend is the unofficial end of summer break for most. We are excited about the upcoming Operational Year for our local chapter of MOWW, which runs from 1 July-30 June 2023. Here is an update.

Last month's MOWW membership meeting was just held on 30 August and featured several important activities:

First, we welcomed new member Col (USAF, ret) Jim Borders.



Jim (L) and Steve Shambach (R)
welcome new member Col (USAF, ret) Jim Borders

Next, we presented the following awards:

- Outreach Service Medal presented to LTC Mike Berendt (USA, ret) for leading the ROTC/JROTC program.
- Outstanding Service Medal to Lt Col (USAF, ret) Anja Wynne for her contributions as Fund Raising Chair for the Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Foundation, Deputy Director of the Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Conference and speaker at the Conference for the past 2 years.
- Patriot Certificate to Warren Gerig. This is a new honor MOWW has instituted to recognize those who are not eligible to be members, but who contribute significantly to the activities and programs for MOWW. Warren is a member of the Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Foundation Board and has been our photographer at MOWW meetings and the RMYLC for the past dozen years.
- Streamers for Chapter Awards presented at the National Convention. Our Chapter received 3 awards with streamers at the National Convention. Members affixed the streamers as well as received the certificates for the following:

- Most Outstanding Patriotic Education Program-1st Place (Primarily Youth Leadership Conference)-RF Smith
- Most Outstanding Overall Chapter-3rd place-Rich Peters
- Boy and Girl Scout Program. Medium Chapter, 3rd place-Kerm Neal



Steve Shambach presents Outreach Service Medal to Mike Berendt



Steve Shambach presents Outstanding Service Medal to Anja Wynne



Steve Shambach presents the Patriot Certificate to Warren Gerig

Another major activity consisted of the installation of Mike Berendt as the Treasurer and Assistant Adjutant for OY 2022-2023.

We were honored to have Dr. Mary Kelly (USN, ret) serve as our guest speaker. Mary is a graduate of the US Naval Academy, and she served 21 years on active duty as an intelligence and a logistics officer, mostly in Asia. She earned a PhD in economics, and she taught at the Naval Academy, the Air Force Academy, and in the graduate school for Colorado State University. She is the author of 15 business and leadership books. Mary now trains CEOs and business owners on how to create productive workplaces with enthusiastic employees. She says that it's **up to those at the top** to set expectations and boost morale – and **to encourage their people** to perform better at their jobs.

Her presentation on the topic of “Leadership in these Economic Times” was both informative and engaging. She talked about the current and projected state of the economy and the challenges CEOs face with the impacts on the workforce. Leaders have problems dealing with crises and she offered essential steps for leaders to take when facing a crisis. Embrace the future. Manage uncertainty. Provide employees what they want and need:

- Sense of purpose
- Connection with others
- Shared identity
- Feel valued/genuinely cared about
- Have meaningful moments

Finally, she emphasized what leaders need to do that they are failing to do:

- Reward good behavior in a way that is meaningful to the employee
- Communicate, overcommunicate especially in the remote and virtual settings we have today
- Be consistent
- Give feedback often. People want to know how they are doing
- Deal with non or under performing individuals and those who are a drag on the organization
- Be aware of your blind spots. She has an assessment tool for this

...and much more.



Mary Kelly (L) receive Certificate of Appreciation as Guest Speaker

Looking ahead, In September, we are supporting a major fund raiser at the Flying W Ranch for our Youth Leadership Conference. We need everyone to attend, bring guests and host a table, if possible, and contribute!!. We need lots of funding and sponsor support for this event as well as volunteers. Please help. Flyer attached. We are looking for: Table hosts for tables of 12; donation of a table; or individual/group tickets. Information is at Attachment 1. **Note: You cannot use the link in this attachment to order tickets. You can order tickets at the Flipcause ticket widget; <https://www.flipcause.com/widget/MTU0NzI3>**

2. Administrative

Member Birthdays: Best wishes for the following companions:

September: LTC Francis Wynne - 7 Sept; CPT George - 13 Sept; Mr. Curt Reus - 24 Sept; COL Stephen Shambach - 29 Sept; Ms. Stephanie Johnson - 29 Sept; COL Edward Fisher - 30 Sept

October: COL John Abbatiello-5 Oct; COL Lee Van Arsdale-6 Oct; LT Robert Bythewood-20 Oct; Col Watt Hill-23 Oct; LTC Mark Pfeiffer-24 Oct; LTC Vic Tise-26 Oct; Capt Ronald Maw-30 Oct

3. Staff Reports

- a. Monthly Staff Report. No staff meeting in August; Next meeting 12 September. The following are items of interest:
- b. Treasurer’s Report. Mike Berendt. (July)

CDs:	\$12,253.32		
Checking:	\$4,523.35		
Savings:	\$101.13		
Total:	\$16,877.80		

c. Adjutant Membership Report-Ulysses Swift

Current number of members	81	Change since last month
Residing in Colorado	69	
Members over age 75	23	
Members below age 75	58	

- Any overdue dues; None
- Applications received: Bob Sommers
- Materials received for new members: Linda Rowe and Jim Borders

4. Committee Reports

- ROTC/JROTC-Mike/Ulysses. Kerm Neal will conduct the October meeting which will feature a speaker from the UCCS Army ROTC detachment, and their new commander.
- Patriotic Education-Steve. Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Foundation (RMYLF) and RMYLC
 - Patriotic Education-Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Conference 2022 completed. Submitted report to National for reimbursement.
 - RMYLF Fund raiser Tuesday, 27 September, 1700-2100 at Flying W Ranch. Need all hands!
 - RMYLF Board Meeting 1 September to approve the budget for 20222023 and decide where to hold RMYLC 2023 next year.
 - Also, the Phoenician Essay Award information has been received and we will start the essay competition process.
- Programs-Steve Shambach. See Upcoming Events.
- Boy and Girl Scouts Kerm NSTR
- First Responders –The Medal of Valor Banquet for the COS Police Department will be held on 23 September 2022 and MOWW will fill six seats with four police officers as our guests.
- Homeland Security/National Defense- NSTR.

7. Recruiting New Members! We will need your help to recruit new members for the new Operating Year, which starts 1 July. I am asking each member to identify at least one person to recruit this year!

8. Volunteer Solicitation. We are soliciting from membership volunteers for the following vacant positions (please go to MOWW website for job descriptions if you are interested in these positions). These are non-elected positions.

- Historian (Priority Position Steve would like filled)
- Public Relations (Priority Position Steve would like filled)
- Marshall
- Chaplain
- Judge Advocate

9. Next Staff Meeting: Monday, 12 September, 1730 Hill House. All are welcome to attend to check us out!

10. Next Chapter Meeting: September 27th, Tuesday, 1700-2100 , Party at the Ranch, Fund Raiser at the Flying W for our Youth Leadership Conference. See attached flyer.

9. Upcoming Events

September 11th, 9-11 Memorial Ceremony at Memorial Park, 1230-1330. Free event but you must register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/colorado-springs-911-ceremony-tickets-404956795677>

October 27th, Thursday, 1700-1930, UCCS ROTC Presentation, Patty Jewett Golf Course

November Veteran's Day Recognition, TBD

December Pearl Harbor Day Recognition TBD

For the Good of the Order.

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“It is nobler to serve than to be served”

Attachments:

1. Flyer for “Party at the Ranch” Fund Raiser
2. Contribution/Pledge Form



Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Foundation, Inc



Join Us for the “Party at the Ranch”
Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Foundation
30th Anniversary Celebration at Flying W Ranch

DATE: Tuesday, September 27, 2022
TIME: 5:00pm - 9:00pm MDT
LOCATION: Flying W Ranch
3330 Chuckwagon Rd, Colorado Springs, CO 80919
COST: \$50 per person (normally \$65). Children Under 8 are Free.

***Over the past 30 years,
we have touched the lives of over 2200 students
along the front range from Ft Collins to Rye,
from Buena Vista to Rocky Ford, and points in-between.***

This event is our opportunity to celebrate many years of growth and to share in the future of the Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Conference.

We'll share with you:

- **What we are doing**
- **Our vision for the Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Conference**
- **What you can do to help us ensure this outstanding leadership experience opportunity remains available for Colorado high school students.**
- **AND an amazing evening at the Flying W Ranch!**

As an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit with no paid staff, the Foundation produces a 5-day leadership Conference each year in June for rising high school seniors along the Front Range. The Conference focuses on leadership, patriotism, and the free enterprise system and is FREE for all students. This year, the Foundation must raise \$63,000 to cover the expenses of the Conference and to provide student scholarships. Without the generosity of community members and businesses like you, the Conference would not exist.

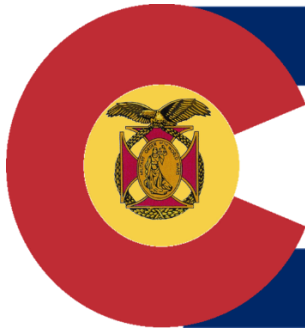
Join us to learn more about the Rocky Mountain Youth Leadership Conference and what you can do to support this outstanding leadership experience opportunity for our Colorado high school students.

Click the link below to register and purchase your tickets.
You can purchase individual tickets or host a table of 12.
Invite your friends and join us for the Party at the Ranch.

[RMYLF 30th Anniversary Gala Tickets](#)

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CONTRIBUTION OR PLEDGE

Yes, I am making a tax-deductible contribution or pledge to the Colorado Springs Chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars.

I wish to contribute or pledge \$_____ to the Patriotic Education Fund.

I wish to contribute or pledge \$_____ to the ROTC Fund.

I wish to contribute or pledge \$_____ to the Boy and Girl Scout Fund.

I wish to contribute or pledge \$_____ to the Law & Order Fund.

I wish to contribute or pledge \$_____ to the Operations Fund (postage, bulletin, directory, recognition programs – plaques, medals, etc.)

Name

Please make checks payable to Colorado Springs Chapter, MOWW

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