





General of the Army Omar N. Bradley – Colonel L. Thaxton Hanson Chapter (186) (PROUDLY HOSTED THE 2019 CENTENNIAL NATIONAL CONVENTION)

Our Chapter's Mission: Veterans Support, Patriotic Education, and Honoring Our Fellow Veterans

Founded in 1919 by officers who served during World War One under General of the Armies John "Blackjack" Pershing, the Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) is a premier patriotic Veterans Service Organization (VSO) "Serving Youth, Community, and Nation" that is centered on the idea embodied in its motto that "It Is Nobler To Serve Than To Be Served." MOWW's founding over one hundred years ago resulted from General Pershing's request that his officers continue serving America after their military service ended. MOWW promotes and encourages military and public service, good citizenship, and patriotic education nationwide.

Serving the Greater Los Angeles and Orange Counties, the *General of the Army Omar N. Bradley – Colonel L. Thaxton Hanson Chapter (186)* proudly promotes a *Youth Leadership and Patriotic Education Program* as a cornerstone of our Chapter's community outreach: this is in addition to supporting fellow Veterans and recognizing those we have served with, past and present.

2021 – 2022 Quarterly Situation Report (SITREP) ____ October – December, 2021

Lieutenant Colonel David J. Worley, United States Air Force (Retired), Commander

Commander's Report – This quarter's SITREP has been shortened and will return back to its normal expanded format in January as we move towards having these SITREPs published in the first month of each quarter as opposed to the third and last.

This year's selfless community outreach by each and every one of you has been nothing less than extraordinary. In November we distributed over 2100 care packages on behalf of *Operation Gratitude* to our fellow Veterans throughout Los Angeles County with many being distributed in Orange County as well. Through our fundraising efforts, we sponsored over 600 wreaths that were placed (on December 18th) at the *Los Angeles National Cemetery*, which accounted for 20% of the total wreaths that were placed. By recognizing and thanking our fellow Veterans "Past and Present" through these two programs, we have expanded our community outreach footprint, increasing recognition and identification of our Chapter as one that is an important service-related component within our community. A full report with related photos about these aforementioned outreach programs will be published in next quarter's SITREP (January).

With high schools now returning to a sense of normalcy and today's youth increasing their community service commitments and involvement in leadership enhancement programs, our Chapter is well-positioned to begin re-implementing a robust *Youth Recognition and Patriotic Education* program that was significantly curtailed during the pandemic: in January, we will begin rebuilding and reinstating a full program that will fill a vital niche in our community.

In closing, I want to wish each and every one of you the happiest of holidays: our Chapter's future is bright because of the selfless efforts by each and every one of you. I look forward to working with you next year, "Thank You!" for everything, and *God Bless America*!

Respectfully,

Dave

NATIONAL UPDATE FROM DAVID J. WORLEY, USAF (Retired) - VICE COMMANDER IN CHIEF, REGIONS VIII AND XIV

Happy Holidays To All!

Our CINC, LTC Michael A. Okin, has laid out a vision of looking forward as an Order and making appropriate changes that advances our overall mission. Since last August's National Convention held in Detroit, your Top-8 leadership has begun the necessary work to modernize our Order and giving Region, Department, and Chapter Commanders the enhanced tools they need to succeed: this includes promoting a broadened community outreach effort which in-turn enhances local recruiting capabilities. We have contracted a marketing firm towards implementing a National Branding Effort that will increase our Order's visibility. Region Commanders are currently reviewing *Appendix S* to our Policy Manual and recommending required changes. Your leadership approved Region Commanders' proposal to implement a Patriot Program that will be instituted through an upcoming change to the National Policy Manual: this program allows Chapters to recognize and formalize the efforts of those in the community who are not otherwise eligible for MOWW membership yet play a key role in a given Chapter's community outreach effort. Our National Strategic Plan is currently under review and will be updated accordingly. Each and every one of our Companions play a key role in making these efforts a success, of which without your active support we will fall short of where we need to be. The overall effort won't come to fruition overnight, but requires diligent efforts over the long-haul by each and every one of us if we are to succeed.

It is an honor to serve as your Region's oversight Vice Commander in Chief, working with two outstanding Region Commanders, CAPT Deborah A. Dombeck (Region VIII) and CDR Ted Parsons (Region XIV). I look forward to seeing all of my fellow Region XIV Companions at our upcoming Spring Region Convention on April 23rd: may 2022 be you and your family's finest year ever!

***** END OF SITREP 2021-2022-2 *****

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