



GREATER DALLAS CHAPTER 18
Reserve Officers Association of the United States
The Professional Association Representing All Officers

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Chapter 18 Membership Meeting Saturday, March 27, 2010

Due to National Crisis (Haiti Earthquake), Our January Speaker has been rescheduled to March.

Major General Frank J. Padilla

Commander, 10th Air Force
Naval Air Station JRB Fort Worth

His command includes all fighter, bomber, special operations, rescue, airborne warning and control, flying training, combat air operations battle staff, unoccupied aerial vehicles and space units in the Air Force Reserve Command. These units are gained by the Air Combat Command, Air Force Special Operations Command, Pacific Air Force, Air Force Space Command, and the Air Education and Training Command. He has earned BA and MA civilian degrees and Air War College and numerous other Civilian and Military advanced degrees. As a Command pilot he is qualified in numerous aircraft with over 7,500 military and 8,500 civilian flying hours. His numerous awards include Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal with oak leaf cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal and numerous others. His program, "Building Air Power in Iraq and Afghanistan" will describe his personal experiences there.

Time: Hospitality 6:00 PM with cash bar available in the lobby bar. Dinner is at 7:00 PM in the Willow Room on the first floor.

Menu: Country Style Salad w/Ranch Croutons, Smoked Brisket w/BBQ Sauce, Cheddar Cheese Whipped Potatoes, Corn & Broccoli Medley, Fresh Rolls & Butter, Fresh Brewed Coffee and Iced Tea & Pecan Pie.

Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel North Dallas/Addison, Willow Room, First floor
14315 Midway Road, Addison, Texas 75001.
North of LBJ on the west side of Midway, two blocks north of Spring Valley.
Hotel main number is (972) 980-8877.

Payment &

Reservation: Cost is \$25.00 per dinner. Your reservation will be for the Smoked Brisket dinner unless you specify Vegetarian. A Fish plate is available by special order for \$28.00. Make check payable to ROA Chapter 18 and mail to: Mrs. Cheryl Carathers, 10 North Star Rd., Allen, TX 75002. We're also happy to accept your reservations by phone, including those of guests you are sponsoring by calling 972-727-8569, or e-mail mikec1234@aol.com. You may cancel up to 72 hours before the meeting, but we must hold you responsible for payment after that time, since our guarantee will include your reservations.

Dress: Duty Uniform suggested, or coat and tie.

FUTURE EVENTS FOR 2010

The Dallas Chapter is changing the Chapter year to be consistent with National and Department of Texas. Department Conventions (Texas) will now be held in the fall rather than spring, and the National Conventions are now held in February.

17 April--2010 Dallas Military Ball, Intercontinental Hotel, Addison, TX.

Host Service--United States Army

Guest Speaker--General George W. Casey, Jr., US Army Chief of Staff

Entertainment -- Lee Greenwood

Patron -- Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control

See www.Dallasmilitaryball.org for reservations & payment and further information

3 May 2010---Dallas Chapter ROA EXCOM--Proposed Constitution & Bylaws voted on.

15 May 2010--Dept of Texas ROA EXCOM---Meet in Waco, TX.

?? Sept 2010--Chapter Meeting & Election of Officers. Nominating Committee: COL Marin, MajGen Anderegg & CAPT Carathers. Army designated to provide President.

Items of Interest

Military Records - DD214 now available on line. The National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) has provided the following web site for veterans to gain access to their DD-214 on line. [HTTP://vetrecs.archives.gov/](http://vetrecs.archives.gov/) This may be helpful when a veteran needs a copy of his DD-214 for employment, etc. Military veterans and next of kin of deceased former military members may now use a new online military personnel records system to request documents. Other individuals with a need for document must still complete Standard Form 180 which can be downloaded from the web site.

Retired Matters Contact Information for the Fleet and Family Support Center: Address: 3175 Vandenberg Ave., NAS JRB Ft. Worth, 76127 (Behind the Burger King)

Toll Free: 1-877-471-6671

Local to Ft. Worth Area: 817-782-5619/5782 Ask for CPO Ora Millard, USN (Ret) or CPT William E. Baker, USA (Ret). The Support Center is available 24 hours per day 7 days per week by telephone to answer questions during a family emergency or death for all branches of service, Active, Retired and Reserve personnel.

Space A Travel: You can view the FT Worth NAS Flight Schedule if you are in the DEERS system (SSAN & Name) as they have their schedule "not for public use":

<https://www.cnic.navy.mil/FortWorth/SupportServices/PassengerTerminal/index.htm>

and that those in Reserve or NG status/units and those retired members, not yet 60 but have a DOD Letter saying they will receive retired pay at age 60, may travel Space A alone (not with spouse/dependents) in CONUS and HI, Guam, & Alaska, but not Overseas (i.e. Europe & Asia, etc.). Once you have the Retired ID Card you can travel Space A with your spouse/dependents almost anywhere Military planes fly (except Turkey and Diego Garcia, etc.).