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~ Our Program ~

Reception

Welcome

Rob Hughes KMBC-TV (Kansas City/ABC) News Anchor, Master of Ceremonies

Introduction of the International Military Officers

Jim Fain Director, CGSC International Military Student Division

Welcome to Kansas City

Scott Wagner Mayor Pro Tem, Kansas City, Mo.

Remarks by the CGSC Deputy Commandant

Brigadier General Scott L. Efflandt

~ Intermission ~

Performance by the U.S. Army Chorus (see page 6) Vocal Counterpart of The United States Army Band "Pershing's Own"



Our

International Partners

119 officers from 91 countries will be studying at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, during the academic year 2017-2018. We welcome them all.

The Islamic Republic of Afghanistan The Republic of Albania The People's Democratic Republic of Algeria Antigua and Barbuda The Argentine Republic The Republic of Armenia The Commonwealth of Australia The Republic of Azerbaijan The People's Republic of Bangladesh Belize The Republic of Benin **Bosnia-Herzegovina** The Federative Republic of Brazil The Republic of Bulgaria The Kingdom of Cambodia **The Republic of Cameroon** Canada The Republic of Chad The Republic of Chile The Republic of Colombia The Republic of the Congo **The Czech Republic** The Kingdom of Denmark The Republic of Djibouti The Arab Republic of Egypt The Republic of El Salvador The Republic of Estonia **The French Republic** Georgia **The Federal Republic of Germany**

The Republic of Guinea The Cooperative Republic of Guyana Hungary The Republic of India The Republic of Indonesia The Republic of Iraq **The Italian Republic** Jamaica Japan The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan The Republic of Kazakhstan The Republic of Korea The State of Kuwait The Kyrgyz Republic The Republic of Latvia The Lebanese Republic The Republic of Liberia The Republic of Lithuania The Republic of Macedonia The Republic of Malawi Malaysia The Republic of Maldives The Republic of Mali The Islamic Republic of Mauritania The United Mexican States The Republic of Moldova Mongolia Montenegro The Kingdom of Morocco **The Federative Democratic**

The Kingdom of the Netherlands New Zealand The Republic of Niger The Federal Republic of Nigeria The Kingdom of Norway The Sultanate of Oman The Islamic Republic of Pakistan The Republic of Panama The Republic of the Philippines The Republic of Poland Romania The Republic of Rwanda The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia The Republic of Senegal The Republic of Serbia The Republic of Sierra Leone The Republic of Singapore **The Slovak Republic** The Kingdom of Spain The Kingdom of Sweden The United Republic of Tanzania Taiwan The Kingdom of Thailand **The Togolese Republic** The Republic of Tunisia The Republic of Uganda Ukraine The United Arab Emirates The United Kingdom of Great **Britain and Northern Ireland** The Socialist Republic of Vietnam The Republic of Zambia

International Officers at Fort Leavenworth

nternational Military Student (IMS) participation in education and training at Fort Leavenworth dates back to 1894. Very quickly the incorporation of "internationals" and their families at Fort Leavenworth came to represent one of the defining characteristics of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff Officer Course; and from the outset has provided a professional military cross-cultural exchange unrivaled anywhere in the world!

More than 8,000 IMS graduates from 164 countries and their families have studied alongside U.S. military officers of all services and lived in Leavenworth and the surrounding communities. Their presence here helps make this a truly special place, and they leave here with remarkable memories of an experience shared with the exceptional people that populate the Greater Kansas City metropolitan area.

Historically more than half of the IMS graduates go on to attain Flag Officer rank, and 27 graduates eventually served as head of their respective home governments as President, Prime Minister, or in one case - King!

The relationship between Kansas City, Fort Leavenworth and the participating nations who send their best military officers to study with the Army stands out as one of the most successful examples of civil-military cooperation in the United States.

The International Officer Badge

The International Graduate Badge distinguishes the wearer as a Resident Course Graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. In the early fall of 1964, Major General Harry J. Lemley, Jr., Commandant of the College ordered the design and production of the insignia in its current form.

The Badge is a silver device, two and one-eighth inches in diameter, in the center of which is the Leavenworth Lamp. In a circle surrounding the lamp are the words U.S.A. COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF COLLEGE, and extending from this central insignia are alternately 12 bright and 12 darker sunflower leaf-shaped curves signifying the 12 months of day and night study that the International Military Student spends in earning his diploma from the College.

The Leavenworth Lamp is used as the central theme because of its significance to the CGSC graduate: the traditional Lamp of Learning knowledge symbolizing the gained through study, discussion and reflection – from which emerges a mailed fist representing the military nature of this knowledge. Clenched in the fist are a rifle and a sword, in recognition of the origin of the College as the School for Application of Infantry and Cavalry, and a guided missile symbolizing the future. The whole

of the symbolism represents the idea that from the College emerge leaders who, with their knowledge and control of the past, present and future instruments of national power, protect our liberty.

The U.S. Army Chorus



n 1956, The U.S. Army Chorus was established as the vocal counterpart of The United States Army Band "Pershing's Own," and is one of the nation's only professional men's choruses. From its inception, The U.S. Army Chorus has established and maintained a reputation of excellence in the performance of male choral literature. Beyond the traditional military music and patriotic standards, the repertoire of the Army Chorus covers a broad spectrum which includes pop, Broadway, folk, and classical music.

The Army Chorus performs frequently at the White House, the Vice President's Residence, the U.S. Capitol and the State Department. When in Washington, D.C., foreign dignitaries and military counterparts visiting our nation's senior leadership are greeted by songs performed in their native tongues, as the Army Chorus is able to sing in 39 languages and dialects.

Members of the Army Chorus, most of whom hold advanced degrees in music, are selected from among the nation's finest musicians. Many of its past members have gone on to successful careers in music education and as soloists on Broadway and opera stages around the world.

Members

DIRECTOR - Maj. Leonel A. Peña, Edinburg, Texas

FIRST TENOR

Sgt. Maj. Andrew J. Patterson, Athens, Pa. Master Sgt. Michael J. Ford, Knoxville, Tenn. Master Sgt. Antonio S. Giuliano, Pensacola, Fla. Master Sgt. Patrick J. Sobolik, Charles City, Iowa Staff Sgt. Matthew Smith, Buffalo, N.Y. Staff Sgt. Kyle Tomlin, Stroudsburg, Pa. Staff Sgt. Matthew H. Burke, Wethersfield, Conn.

SECOND TENOR

Master Sgt. Pablo Talamante, Sonora, MEXICO Sgt. 1st Class Jason M. Gottshall, Camp Hill, Pa. SFC Matthew P. Heil, Pine Mountain Valley, Ga. Staff Sgt. Benjamin G. Pattison, Tallahassee, Fla. Staff Sgt. Matthew Richardson, Dubuque, Iowa Staff Sgt. Christian D. Hoff, Towson, Md.

BARITONE

Sgt. Maj. Bob McDonald, Falls Church, Va. Master Sgt. Clifton D. Ogea, Ishpeming, Mich. Master Sgt. Neil F. Ewachiw, Baltimore, Md. Sgt. 1st Class Robert P. Burner, Richmond, Va. Sgt. 1st Class Jesse S. Neace, Maryville, Tenn. Sgt. 1st Class Matthew R. Nall, Dallas, Texas

BASS

Sgt. Maj. Alec T. Maly, Basking Ridge, N.J. Master Sgt. Kerry Wilkerson, Greensboro, N.C. Master Sgt. Alvy R. Powell, Cape Charles, Va. Sgt. 1st Class Kristopher C. Armstrong, Mt. Holly, N.C. Staff Sgt. Andre McRae, Philadelphia, Pa. Staff Sgt. Adam Strube, Commack, N.Y.

PIANO

Staff Sgt. Dan Campolieta, Simsbury, Conn.

Musical Selections

America the Beautiful (short) Ain't a That Good News Keep in the Middle of the Road (Sobolik) Soon ah will be done Lux Aurumque Songs of the Soldier (Giuliano) Widerspruch La Pastorella **Cockles and Mussels (Ford) Toreador Song (Burner) Granada** (Talamante) On the Road Again (McD) **Bless the Broken Road (Heil) American Soldier (Pattison)** Jersey Boys (Heil, Nall, Hoff) **Brotherhood of Man (Nall)** Muddy Water (McRae) **Armed Forces Medley Battle Hymn**

Hosts and Partners



The Command and General Staff College Foundation, Inc. is the organizing host for this celebration. The CGSC Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that provides resources and supports the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College in the development of tomorrow's military leaders.

The CGSC Foundation helps to advance the profession of military art and science by promoting the welfare and enhancing the prestigious educational programs of the CGSC.

The Foundation supports the College in three general areas: scholarship, outreach and Soldier and family support. The CGSC Foundation is funded through private donations, and its board is staffed with business executives, retired military leaders, community leaders and others who are focused on providing the margin of excellence to the educational programs of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College.

For more about the CGSC Foundation, Inc., and how to contribute contact Col. (Ret.) Doug Tystad, Chief Executive Officer, at 913-651-0624, or dtystad@cgscf.org.

Also see www.cgscfoundation.org; facebook.com/cgscfoundation; twitter.com/cgscfoundation; or on LinkedIn at cgsc-foundation-inc.



The Greater Kansas City Chapter of People to People International (GKCPTP) is one of more than 200 People to People International chapters located throughout Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, the Mideast and the United States. The GKCPTP mission, as citizen ambassadors, is to promote international understanding and friendship through educational, humanitarian, and cultural activities involving a broad range of direct contacts, exchange of ideas and experiences among the people of Greater Kansas City and peoples of different countries and diverse cultures that will help to build an enduring world peace.

Greater Kansas City

The GKCPTP vision is to be recognized as a leading citizen diplomacy force that promotes understanding, goodwill, and friendship among the citizens of Greater Kansas City, the United States, and peoples of other countries and diverse cultures. We further strive to become recognized as the premier People To People International chapter.

GKCPTP is a not-for-profit organization incorporated under the laws of the state of Missouri and is exempt from income tax under the provisions of 501(c)(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

For more about GKCPTP contact Randy Pace, Chapter President, at prez@gkcptp.org. GKCPTP is also on the web at www.gkcptp.org, or on Facebook and YouTube.



Operation International

peration International is a program of the Leavenworth-Lansing Area Chamber of Commerce that fosters international understanding and creates rich cultural diversity by providing civilian sponsors for the international military students attending the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Operation International's goal is the same today as it was in its beginning in 1952: to provide a warm welcome to the international officers and their families on their arrival in the community and to sustain that hospitality throughout their year with us. An all-volunteer effort, providing cultural exchange and the beginning of lifelong world-wide friendships! This

program is truly an unique experience to Leavenworth-Lansing communities and provides our citizens with the opportunity to experience a vast collection of cultures.

To become involved in Operation International please contact Maxine Hunter at maxineh@kc.rr.com.

The U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

Since its founding in 1881, the United States Army Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas has served the country exceedingly well, educating military leaders who have led America's sons and daughters in every war fought by this country since the latter part of the 19th century.

The school has continually been reevaluated and upgraded over the course of its history. In 1947, the school's educational goals were refined again and its name changed to the Command and General Staff College (CGSC). Although change has been the one constant for the Command and General Staff College, its values and purpose have endured.



Many of the nation's best and well-known military and civilian leaders are among CGSC alumni, including such notable World War II leaders as Generals Douglas MacArthur, George C. Marshall, George Patton, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Omar Bradley and Matthew Ridgway, among many others. After WWII, leaders such as Generals Bernard W. Rogers, Carl E. Vuono, Gordon R. Sullivan, Barry McCaffrey, Colin Powell, Norman Schwartzkopf and David Petraeus graduated from the school as well.

The CGSC mission is to educate, train and develop leaders for unified land operations in joint, interagency, intergovernmental and multinational operational environments; and advance the art and science of the profession of arms in support of Army operational requirements. CGSC is a fully accredited college by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. CGSC provides graduate level instruction and offers a master's degree program to officers who elect to enroll in the program of study. As with any graduate program the requirements for a Masters in Military Arts and Sciences are demanding.

For more information visit http://usacac.army.mil/organizations/cace/cgsc.

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