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COUNCIL OF COLLEGE AND MILITARY EDUCATORS

# Summer 2013 Newsletter

## From the President

After the Memorial Day weekend, the Board had its first on-site planning meeting for your 2014 CCME Professional Development Symposium which will be held February 10-13 in Savannah, Georgia. Thanks to an excellent response to our San Diego symposium survey, we have a good idea on what you liked (and did not like). We used this information as the basis for establishing the agenda. Our goal is to have a productive and educational symposium with general and concurrent sessions that will be of interest and value to you, our membership.

You told us that you wanted more concurrent sessions. We definitely want to do this, but to make this happen, we need your help. This will require a larger pool of quality proposals from which to choose. So, if you have ever thought about submitting a proposal, this is the year to do it. The Call for Concurrent Session Proposals will be posted on our website beginning on July 1. The cutoff date will be October 1. CCME is all about sharing information and best practices. This is an excellent opportunity for you to play an active role in the symposium.

The board also came up with this year's theme: **"Crossroads in Military Education: Looking Back, Moving Forward"**. This serves to recognize the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing GI Bill in 1944. Few would argue that this legislation had a significant and positive impact on America. In 1947, half of all of the college students in America were veterans.



Savannah International Trade and Convention Center

Today, we find ourselves in a similar situation. Over the next five years, over a million service members are expected to transition out of the military. With a less than robust economy, the job prospects for these returning heroes have become a major concern. Moving forward, education will play a critical role in their success.

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## Did you know...?

Our 2014 Professional Development Symposium will be held in beautiful Savannah, Georgia.

Did you know the following about Savannah...?

- Named by USA Weekend Magazine as a Top 10 Most Beautiful Places in America.
- New York Times listed Savannah to its list of World's Top Ten Trendy Travel Hotspots.
- Conde Naste Traveler picked Savannah as a Top Ten US City to Visit.
- Southern Living placed Savannah as "Second Best Southern City".
- Savannah claims to be the most haunted city in the US. Many "haunted tours" are offered each evening.
- Johnny Mercer, of "Moon River" fame was a native and is buried at Bonaventure Cemetery surrounded by his lyrics engraved in stone.
- Savannah was the real-life setting of the 1994 bestseller "Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil". The book was later made into a movie and directed by Clint Eastwood.
- Many scenes from 1994's "Forrest Gump" were filmed in Savannah, including the famous bench in Chippewa Square where Forrest ate his chocolates and told his story.

## President's Message (continued from page 1)

The Awards Banquet will again be on Wednesday night. To coincide with the 70th anniversary of the GI Bill, we will be having a WWII theme. So, feel free to dress in military or civilian 40's attire.

We plan to have another Golf Tournament on Monday morning. Since this will be a "scramble", it will be for golfers of ALL experience levels. I hope that we can have a good turnout. Besides helping to support a military charity, it is also an excellent opportunity to have fun and to meet other CCME members. We will also be having our first ever CCME Charity 5K Run/Walk on Wednesday morning. This will also provide the attendees with an event to have fun, to

meet other CCME members and to support a military charity.

Our goal is to post information on the hotels, registration, the call for concurrent session proposals, and the application process for CCME awards and scholarships by July 1. If you have questions going forward, please feel free to e-mail me at [heberling@baker.edu](mailto:heberling@baker.edu). I look forward to seeing you in Savannah on February 10-13, 2014 for the best ever CCME Professional Development Symposium.

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*CCME relies extensively on volunteers throughout the year and especially in the planning and execution of the annual professional development symposium. For more information about volunteer opportunities, please visit <http://www.ccmeonline.org/volunteers> or email [volunteer@ccmeonline.org](mailto:volunteer@ccmeonline.org).*

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### 2014 Charity Golf Event

Golf Chair, Joycelyn Groot, would like to announce plans for a golf tournament at the beautiful Savannah Harbor Golf Club. Slated for a 8 a.m. shotgun start on Monday morning, February 10, the tournament will be a 4-person scramble to be enjoyed by any level of golfer. The course is on property at the conference hotel and will have approximately 40 rental clubs available. Proceeds from the tournament will go directly to a local foundation or organization that supports the local military and veteran community. Tournament fees and sponsorship opportunities have not yet been set. Mark your calendar today. More information will be released in the next month or feel free to contact Joycelyn at [events@ccmeonline.org](mailto:events@ccmeonline.org). Volunteer committee members are Terry Stephen, Park University; Trent Orndorf, Strayer University; and Charles Mancil, Troy University.

## 2014: Call for Concurrent Session Proposals for CCME, February 10-13, 2014

Help us spread the word about how academic institutions, corporations, federal organizations and military organizations are paving the way for our total military community through innovative educational programs and service partnerships. Share your "Best Practices" that will engage conversation and promote community interests for all attendees. The theme for the 2014 CCME Annual Symposium is "**Crossroads in Military Education: Looking Back, Moving Forward.**" Proposals can be submitted online at CCME Concurrent Session Proposals from July 1 to October 1, 2013.

The following are specific areas identified for this year's concurrent sessions:

- Proposals that are developed for those new to Military Education.
- Programs, partnerships and best practices to help military members transition to meaningful careers.
- State authorization and what are institutions doing (or not doing).
- Understanding outcome measures and the Complaint System that were mandated in the President's Executive Order on Education, and the Complaint System.
- Best practices and innovations in educating and supporting the military community.
- Understanding and addressing the impact of the recent changes to the Department of Education programs and the VA Post 9/11 GI Bill.
- Introduction of new tools, technologies and programs to enhance distance education.
- Using social media to support education in the military community.
- Innovative outreach and marketing programs that support the military community.

More information and proposal submission form can be found online at: <http://www.ccmeonline.org/annualsymposium>.

## CCME Scholarships

CCME is pleased to offer 15 \$1,000 scholarships each year to United States Service members, spouses of Service members, and Veterans who are working towards the completion of higher education degrees at a CCME member institution. The scholarships are funded by CCME membership dues and then are awarded to selected CCME member students.

So, **are you a member?** If not, then your students are not eligible. However, you have time to get your [membership](#) paid. The online scholarship application will be available **July 1, 2013**. Give your students an opportunity to be listed among the winners:

### 2013 Joe King Scholarship

MSgt Jeffrey A. Cooke	Webster University
ET1 Cory Michie	Tidewater Community College
2d Lt Jeffrey Rodriguez	Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
HM1 John Ross	American Military University
SrA Sharonda Williams	Embry Riddle Aeronautical University

### 2013 Spouse Scholarship

Ellen Leahy	Florida Institute of Technology
Ashlee Maute	University of Maryland University College
Jennifer McCart	Troy University
Jiemily I. Pelekai	Wayland Baptist University
Crystal Humerickhouse	Grantham University

### 2013 Veteran Scholarship

Cheryl Dean-Anderson	Hawaii Pacific University
Carly Holloway	University of Phoenix
Danya McKinney	Troy University
Jeremie Sullivan	Central Michigan University
Marquitta Washington	Columbia Southern University

Questions about the scholarships can be directed to [scholarship@ccmeonline.org](mailto:scholarship@ccmeonline.org) or review the [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

## VoEd Transitions

- Kimberly Yates, Chief, Education Operations Branch, Air Education and Training Command, replaced Dr. Thomas Langdon as Chief, Voluntary Education Program, Headquarters Air Force in December 2012.
- Dawn Bilodeau, Deputy Director of HQ ACES, relocated to Alexandria, VA to accept a position with the OUSD Continuing Education Programs office, within (P&R) Military Community and Family Policy.
- Robert S. "Bob" Drake, Army Personnel Testing PM, GS-13, Headquarters, Army Continuing Education Division, announced his May 31, 2013 retirement.
- Steve Myers, IMCOM-E Installation Support Specialist and Human Resources Specialist, reassigned as DANTES European Advisor, January 2013. Headquarters IMCOM.
- Betty Kirkpatrick, Director Navy College Office New London, CT, retired December 2012, after 39 years of service to the Navy College Program.
- Sharon Dial, Education Services Specialist, retired December 2012, after 22 years with Navy College.
- Lygie Hinkle, joined SOC as the SOC Course Category Coordinator in mid-March. Previously Ms. Hinkle was the Registrar for Westwood College campus in Arlington, VA.
- Gerard Walsh (Gerry) joined the SOC staff as SOCCOAST Project Director in March 2013. Formerly Gerry worked in Military and Veterans Program area at Thomas Edison State College.

## Interested in Serving...?

The Council of College and Military Educators organization is managed by an all-volunteer board. Each year there are elections to serve on the Executive Committee. In Savannah (Feb 2014) we will be electing a Secretary-Elect, Vice President-Elect, and a President-Elect.

**Secretary-Elect is a 2-year commitment (automatically moves into the Secretary position after one year). Duties include:**

Records and distributes minutes for all CCME Board meetings; maintains standing operating procedures (SOP's); oversees CCME nominations and elections, to include communicating vacancies to membership, preparing ballots and distributing them at the symposium business meeting; and maintains an annual time line to include deadlines and activities related to the annual symposium and keeps board members periodically updated on action items.

**Vice President-Elect is a 2-year commitment (automatically moves into the Vice President position after one year). Duties include:**

Co-Chairs the Symposium Agenda Planning Committee with the Armed Services Liaison and documents action items and decisions; maintains a spreadsheet in coordination with President and Speaker Coordinator (if one is appointed) to track speaker activity throughout the year; acts as primary liaison to educational institutions on current military and education issues; and monitors the CCME membership chat room and facilitates online discussions.

**President-Elect is a 3-year commitment (automatically moves into the President position after one year, then Past President for the final year). The President-Elect nominees must have a minimum of two years previous experience on the CCME Board in either an elected or appointed position.**

**The President-Elect shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of the President, and/or assume the office of the President if the office of the President becomes vacant.**

**Nominations will be accepted from July 1, 2013—October 1, 2013. More information will be posted during the nomination period at [www.ccmeonline.org](http://www.ccmeonline.org). Questions regarding the nomination or election process can be directed to Margaret Reed, Secretary-Elect at [mreed@webster.edu](mailto:mreed@webster.edu).**

## Council of College and Military Educators

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CCME is an active proponent for the professional development of those serving in the military education community by providing a forum for the exchange of information on educational programs, strategies and innovation among its members and associated partners.

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## CCME Annual Awards

Do you know a key person or organization that has made a difference in the voluntary education community? Nominations for the following awards will be taken from July 1, 2013 through October 1, 2013. Awards will be chosen from nominations by the CCME Awards Committee and presented at the annual awards banquet at the 2014 Professional Development Symposium in Savannah, GA on February 12, 2014. Categories include:

### **John Brian Service and Leadership Award**

Outstanding service to the voluntary education community by a government employee

### **William E. Kennedy Award**

Outstanding dedication and leadership in the delivery of quality programs to military installations and/or individuals.

### **CCME Corporate Award**

Presented to an organization in recognition of its significant contributions to the cause of military education.

### **CCME Institution Award**

Presented to an higher education institution in recognition of its significant contributions to the cause of military education.

### **Barry Cobb Government Organization Award**

Recognizes the outstanding contributions that government entities make to military education.

**More information will be posted during the nomination period at <http://www.ccmeonline.org/awards> .**

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