



# AUSA NORTH TEXAS AUDIE MURPHY CHAPTER

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BIRTHDAY EDITION

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## HONORED TO CELEBRATE THE ARMY'S 247<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY WITH U.S. ARMY DALLAS RECRUITING BATTALION

Lieutenant Colonel John L. Harrell, Battalion Commander of the U.S. Army Dallas Recruiting Battalion, hosted a U.S. Army Cake Ceremony at Hillwood Development Company in Dallas.

Chapter leaders attending included Vice President of Fort Worth, Colonel (ret.) Lewis Knapp, Vice President of Education, Colonel (ret.) Jeff Gault and Region IV Executive Vice President and Vice President of Leadership Development, Colonel (ret.) JP Hogan.

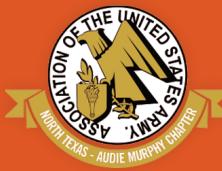


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## NORTH TEXAS - AUDIE MURPHY CHAPTER CELEBRATES ARMY'S 247<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY AND AUSA DAY

Volunteers from the AUSA North Texas - Audie Murphy Chapter and Army Scholarship Foundation\* celebrated the Army's 247th Birthday in early June.

The cake was severed by the youngest soldier (Captain Gerald Delk) and wiser veteran (LTC (ret.) Joel Batalsky, Chapter First Vice President).

For over 10 years the chapter has partnered with the Army Scholarship Foundation in the June celebration of the U.S. Army Birthday to remember its creation in 1775 and to celebrate AUSA Day. The Association of the United States Army was founded on July 5, 1950, to serve as America's foundational military force speaking with one voice.

Special thanks to the Chapter's Community Partner, Arcadium Solutions for sponsoring the Hospitality Suite. For more information about CASA visit <https://casa.army.mil/>



\*Army Scholarship Foundation is a charitable, non-profit organization dedicated to providing college scholarships for undergraduate study to deserving children of current and former members of the U.S. Army, and to spouses of currently serving soldiers. Founded in 2001 by a group of U.S. Army veterans, the Foundation is dedicated to assisting sons, daughters, and spouses of soldiers in achieving their educational dreams. Find out more about Army Scholarship Foundation at <https://armyscholarshipfoundation.org>.





## JUNE'S NATIONAL DEFENSE BRIEFING SERIES

In partnership with North Texas' military professional associations, AUSA North Texas – Audie Murphy Chapter co-hosted the June event on *Cyber Operations: More Than Cybersecurity* at Heritage Ranch Country Club.

Panelists discussed how attacks on financial accounts, identity theft, spam emails, and ransomware are on the rise. They expanded on how cyber operations conducted by our government are performed to access information possessed by adversaries and enemies, to either steal it (espionage/exploitation) or destroy or deny access by the owners (attack) and how they help us achieve national objectives.

The panelists included: Lieutenant General Harry Raduege (USAF, ret), Chief Executive Officer of the National Cybersecurity Center, Lieutenant General Kevin McLaughlin (USAF, ret), Professor of Practice in the Bush School's Department of International Affairs, and Colonel Lamont Atkins (USAF, ret), Vice President of Programs on the Board of Directors for the Armed Forces Communications & Electronics Association, Alamo Chapter.



*National Defense Briefing Series*



## 2022-2023 AUSA NORTH TEXAS – AUDIE MURPHY CHAPTER LEADERS

The elections of the 2022-2023 AUSA North Texas – Audie Murphy Chapter President and First Vice President were held in May. The chapter leaders of the effective July 1, 2022 are:

**Chapter President:** Patti G. McCoy, PhD

**First Vice President:** LTC (ret.) Joel Batalsky, USA

Treasurer: Mr. Ankit Rajora

**Region IV Executive Vice President and Chapter**

**Vice President, Leadership Development:**

COL (ret.) James P. Hogan, USA

**Past Chapter President | Executive Director:**

COL (ret.) Rich Kaniss, USA

**Vice President, Fort Worth:**

COL (ret.) Lewis Knapp, USA

**Vice President, Education:** COL (ret.) Jeff Gault, USA

**Vice President, Community Partners:**

Mr. Joshua Miller, PMP

**Vice President, Family Readiness:** Mrs. Shelly Knapp

**Vice President, Communications:** Mr. David Bolgiano

*Interested in volunteering to support Future Soldiers, Active-Duty Soldiers and their families? Please contact Patti McCoy at [ntam@ausa.org](mailto:ntam@ausa.org).*



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## EVALUATING ARMY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Chapter leaders participated in the grading of scholarships submitted by family members of active-duty Army soldiers as well as Army veterans. During the break of evaluating candidate applications, the Army's 247th birthday was celebrated with cake and refreshments.



## SUPPORTING FUTURE SOLDIERS

Chapter leaders and members supported future soldiers at a HundredX fundraising event hosted by the local nonprofit, Our Community Salutes DFW, Inc. at the Alamo Drafthouse in Richardson and Denton.



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**June 1- July 7**

HundredX

Alamo Drafthouse: Free movie, "Top Gun: Maverick"

**July 9**

Chapter Audit

**July 14**

EXCO Meeting

**July 20**

Quarterly meeting with 36th Battalion Commander

**July 28**

General Membership Meeting – YP Event – Bendt Distilling Co.



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### RECOGNITION

Chapter President Patti McCoy receives a doctorate in business administration from Walden University.





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