

ROLL CALL

February 2022 Newsletter

RSVP By Sunday, February 20th—email info@roll-call.org or call 817-507-5879

LUNCHEON—Friday, February 25th

FEBRUARY LUNCHEON SPEAKER—Bob Prince



Bob Prince served as a pilot in the 37th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron based in Da Nang during the Vietnam War. Known as the Jolly Green, Bob's squadron performed rescue of downed airmen and special forces needing extraction. On July 29, 1967, the USS Forrestal was about to launch an air strike while on Yankee Station. A Zuni rocket misfired on deck from an aircraft and resulted in a flight deck fire that killed 134 sailors. Bob Prince spent the next 28 hours flying wounded from the Forrestal to other ships and then carrying firefighting chemical foam back to the Forrestal.



Ernie Lacroix

One of our fabulous WWII vets turns 103 on Feb 22nd!

He can't join us live so please send those cards!

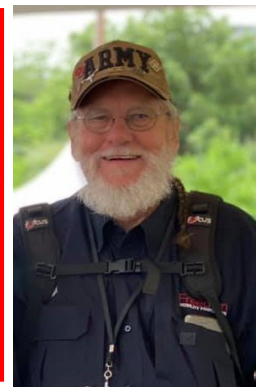
We may find a way to sing to him at the Feb luncheon! Stay tuned!



Please join us in welcoming our newest Board Member

Rick Irving has joined us as the Director of Publicity

We are excited to have his talents as we continue to build a program that we are all proud of!



UPCOMING LUNCHEONS

March 25th—Don Graves

April 22—Speaker TBD- On Base Event Likely



April 22nd Luncheon News

If all goes as anticipated, the April luncheon will be held on the 22nd as planned but it will take place on the Joint Reserve Base! At the December luncheon, Capt McLean said he would like to host us and, unless something comes up, it will happen in April!

Here's what you need to know:

RSVPs will be absolutely necessary for all! Not just veterans, but all spouses, guests, volunteers, etc.

If you do NOT RSVP you will NOT get on base unless you have an ID card that allows base access.

Upcoming Events

March 25th—National Medal of Honor Museum Groundbreaking Ceremony—Arlington—Time to be determined

April 30th—Hops & Props—FW Aviation Museum—12-5pm

June 25th—The National Vietnam War Museum Grand Opening Ceremony—Mineral Wells—10am



Roll Call goes to the Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo!

WWII Veterans honored were Don Graves (sang National Anthem), Bill McIntyre, Dick Amos, Derick South, and Jack Dye



New to us! Veterans Organizations that provide assistance

- ◆ Texas Veterans Network—representatives from this organization will be at the February luncheon to share what their organization does and be available to speak to vets one-on-one that need their assistance.

<https://www.combinedarms.us/tvn>

- ◆ Community Learning—representatives were present at the January luncheon to share information on their organization. They will be available again in the near future in the event you had questions that were not answered. If you'd like to reach them directly, here's their link! <https://www.clcinc.org/veterans.html>

As a reminder: Only service animals may be brought into the luncheon.

Please help us streamline the luncheons

The luncheon is set up to run 11:30-1:30pm

We do have many who leave by 1pm

We would like to be sure the speaker is not interrupted and we conduct our raffle and closing in a timely manner, therefore, going forward, if you feel you have something that you would like announced at the luncheon (whether by you or one of the Board members), you **MUST** email the info@roll-call.org box by the RSVP date. The Board will discuss all announcements requested and determine if we can accommodate. It is our goal to provide a great program without it becoming a list of announcements. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

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