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# PRESIDENT'S COLUMN: SEPTEMBER 2025

Dear ASMIC Members.

This year sure is moving fast; it feels like our annual show was just a few weeks ago!

Regarding the annual show that was held at the MAPS Museum in North Canton; gotta say it was another great success! I cannot adequately express how wonderful this location is and how much the museum staff makes us feel welcome. Most members I spoke to said they had excellent sales, and many said they bought great pieces for their own collection (myself included). Please be aware that next year we will be returning to the Friday & Saturday show hours as that seemed to work best.

I do not normally include the annual show awards and display winners in the President's Column, but it is truly worth mentioning. Please accept my thanks and congratulations — these were all very meaningful contributions:

#### The Board Of Governors Award

Pascal Vermeerssch: For his years of dedication and diligence to the collecting field by spreading knowledge of history to others. His dedication to the hobby has allowed him to display his collection in a permanent location in Belgium at the Belgian Infantry Military Museum. The displays, one of which is the history of the 2nd Infantry Division, which was which part in the liberation of Belgium, in the Second World War, and three other displays about the Cold War or Berlin Crisis and the first Gulf War from 1990 to 1991. These displays are his private collection is put much work and dedication into this collection along with the support of his wife if in the Belgian military in providing him a building to do such displays this is a permanent home for his collection. Pascal takes his free weekends to travel the four hours to the museum to work on his displays and offer free tours of the museum. To widen the knowledge of military history and sparking youth interest in the hobby.

**The Jim Greene Award** is for those who actively work to better the collecting field.

Dick Haney: His books (Illustrated US Military Insignia Guide and No Motto List) are the "bibles" that all collectors should have. Dick has made a huge impact on our Society, as well as on other collectors around the world.

The following were Display Award Winners:

**Richard D. Smith Best Patch Display**: Run For Your Life to Tim Bartholow

**Best Uniform Display:** WWI Natty Aero to Noah Kranz (I hope there are great photos of this display being shown in an upcoming issue)

Jay Massaro Best DI Crest Display: 26th Division to Tim Bartholow

Anne Betts Best of Show: WWI Natty Aero to Noah Kranz

I have received several complaints about numerous SPAM emails being sent to our members. Unfortunately, there is nothing we can do to stop them since our emails are openly published on the ASMIC website. But trust me, I will never send an email telling you that I am stranded or that we need to buy supplies, and that it can only be done with Bitcoin.

At this time, our society is in excellent financial shape, but membership can always be improved. If you would like to receive recruiting postcards, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you again for all the continued support.

Bob Chatt ASMIC Executive President

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Newsletter designed and edited by Sean Conejos a.k.a. Friscohare.

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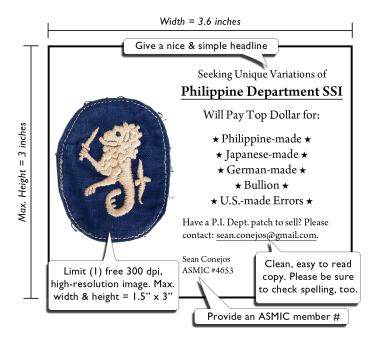
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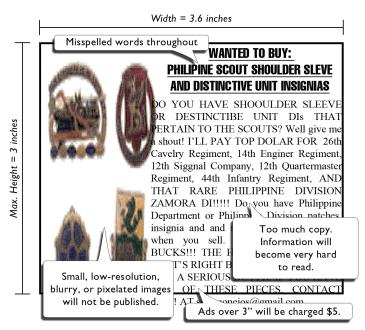


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# Please submit your January-March 2026 Newsletter ads by November 1, 2025

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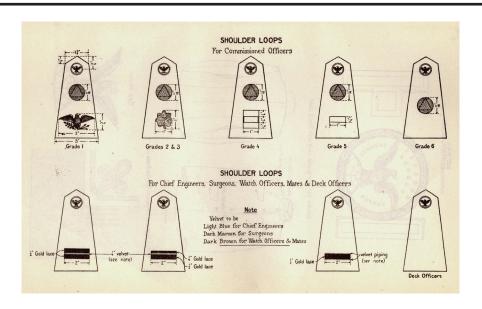




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(Must be an active ASMIC member to participate)



# **US Coast & Geodetic Survey**

As curator of NOAA's Heritage Program, I am searching for examples of uniforms, insignia, awards and flags related to our ancestor agency, the US Coast & Geodetic Survey.

Established in 1807 by Pres. Thomas Jefferson, the Survey of the Coast was renamed the US Coast & Geodetic Survey in 1878. The agency's scientific work was supported by US Navy officers and men personnel until the Spanish-American War era. In 1917, the USC&GS Commissioned Corps was created, becoming one of the nation's uniformed services.

Along with the Weather Bureau and Bureau of Fisheries, the USC&GS became part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) when it was created in 1970. Since that time, the NOAA Commissioned Corps has operated NOAA's fleet of ships and aircraft. The NOAA Corps, currently led by RADM Chad Cary, has around 330 commissioned officers making it the smallest of the nation's eight uniformed services.

As you might imagine, uniforms, insignia and other memorabilia from such a small organization are fairly uncommon. I am hoping to hear from ASMIC members that collect items from the USC&GS and NOAA in an effort to better document the agency's history and surviving artifacts. I would also be happy to share the documentation that I've gathered on the service's uniforms, insignia, awards, flags and ships.

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Articles and information on the USC&GS and NOAA can be found at: https://www.noaa.gov/heritage (OD25)

# TRADE SHOWS & MEETS



IN ORDER TO INCREASE OUR SHOW LISTINGS, when you visit a show, please pick up a show flyer and forward them to THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR and any opinions you have on the shows you attend.

The listings here are from a number of sources. Please verify that the show will take place prior to attending.

Please check the website for the latest updates that may not appear in the newsletter.

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GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

#### Hallowed Ground Militaria Show

November 21 & 22, 2025 at the Gettysburg Fire Dept., 35 North Stratton St.

Open to the Public: Friday 2pm to 6 pm, Saturday 9am to 3pm

Dealer Set up: Friday 11am -2pm, Saturday 8am to 9am 6-foot vendor space: \$55

For more information, visit facebook.com/hallowedgroundmilitaria or call 717.677.2383.

Woodbridge, Virginia

#### O-W-L VFD/Belvoir Militaria Show

November 2, 2025 at the Occoquan-Woodbridge-Lorton VFD Firehall, 1306 F St.

For more information, email Dave Johnson at bro6970@gmail.com

#### AREA III EVENTS

#### **AREA IV EVENTS**

Mandeville, Louisiana

### The Greater New Orleans Militaria Show

October 18-19, 2025 at the Castine Center, 63350 Pelican Drive

Hosted by Old Patriot and Heartland Militaria Shows. For more information, call Dan at 985.707.8600, email opmilitaria@gmail.com, or visit greaterneworleansmilitariashow.com

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Newburgh, Indiana

# 1st Wednesday Military Collector Swap & Sale

October 1, November 5, December 3, 2025 (held on the 1st Wednesday of each month) at American Legion Post 44, 711 State St.

Entry to the 1st Wednesday Gun / Military Swap & Sale is free with membership.

For more information, call Neil at 812.483.3064

LAKEMOOR, ILLINOIS

### **Lakemoor Military Show**

December 6, 2025 at 28874 Rte. IL-120

9:00AM-3:00PM. 100+ Tables. For more information, contact Austin 248.342.2594 or ChicagoMilitaryShows@gmail.com, or visit ChicagoMilitaryShows.com/lakemoor.

## **AREA VI EVENTS**

PORTLAND, OREGON

# Northwest Historical Military Collectors Association

October 17-18 and December 13-14, 2052 at the Kliever Armory, 10000 NE 33rd Dr.

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Bellflower, California

## **SOCALMICS Monthly Military Show**

October 26 and November 30, 2025 at 9816 Bellflower Blvd.

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# **AREA VII EVENTS**

Tanzfleck, Germany

# ASMIC Area VII Insignia Collectors Meeting

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Specializing in Australian metal and cloth insignia seeks members. The Society publishes a quarterly journal entitled "Sabretache" and accepts VISA and Mastercard payments.

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