

The Rotary Club of Dallas' 16th Annual

SALUTE TO AMERICA'S VETERANS

Keynote Speaker



SFC Michael L. Elliott, U.S. Army (Ret.)

President/Founder-All Veteran Group

AllVeteranGroup.org

US Anny Parachute Team-Former Golden Knight

Benefiting USO DFW

&

**George W. Bush Institute's
Military Service Initiative**



November 11, 2020

11:45 a.m.- 1:05 p.m.

On-line Event



SALUTE TO AMERICA'S VETERANS

PROGRAM ITINERARY

Sound to Attention

Jody Dean, Emmy Award Winning Radio/Television Host

Welcome

Jim Frankiewicz, President, Rotary Club of Dallas

Invocation

Linus Wright, WWII Veteran, Past President, Rotary Club of Dallas

Pledge of Allegiance

Cyndi Janssen, President Elect, Rotary Club of Dallas

National Anthem

USO Show Troupe

Introductions and Acknowledgments

Chris Colgin, Chair of the Day

About the USO DFW

Gary Cole, Regional President

About the George W. Bush Institute's Military Service Initiative

Betsy Martin, Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations

Recognition of Veterans & Military Men and Women/Armed Forces Medley

USO Show Troupe

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Sid Eppes, Chairman of Airpower Foundation

Keynote Speaker

SFC Michael L. Elliott, USA, Ret.

Perot Patriot Award

Jim Frankiewicz and Linus Wright

Closing

Jim Frankiewicz



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MASTER OF CEREMONIES

JODY DEAN

Jody Dean is an Emmy award-winning veteran of television and radio and a member of the Texas Radio Hall of Fame. A Fort Worth native, Dean attended Abilene Christian University and is an active philanthropic leader, lending his talents to many local causes, particularly those that support veterans and the military, children and the homeless.

Dean is the former host of the morning show at 98.7 KLUV-FM and was on the air in North Texas longer than any other local broadcaster in recent history.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

MICHAEL ELLIOTT

Michael L. Elliott is a native of Linden NC. He entered active duty in August 1987, attending Basic Training and Advanced Individual Training as an Airborne Infantryman. Mike has two combat tours in the Persian Gulf War.

Mike Elliott's past assignments include the 1st Battalion, 13th Infantry, Baumholder, Germany, Headquarters, and Headquarters Company, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky; 82nd Airborne Division Company B, 2d Battalion, 504th Airborne Infantry, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Company D and headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 507 Airborne Infantry, Fort Benning, Georgia, Company C, 2d Battalion, 325th Parachute Infantry Regiment Fort Bragg, North Carolina and culminating his service to the nation with over ten consecutive years of service with the US Army Parachute Team, ("Golden Knights"), Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Mike has completed more than 15,000 freefall parachute jumps 5,000 of which are tandem jumps. On three separate occasions, he has held the life of one of the most important men in the US in his hands, former President George H. W. Bush has completed three tandem skydives with Mike.

Mike has earned every instructional and technical rating available in the skydiving community, as well as an Associates Degree in Business Administration. Mike is also the President and Founder of The All Veteran Group with the mission to Honor, Remember and Serve and serves as an advisor for the Airpower Foundation! Mike also is the founder of Combat Injured Troops!



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THE USO

The USO strengthens America's military service members by keeping them connected to family, home and country, throughout their service to the nation.

For over 77 years, the USO has been the nation's leading organization to serve the men and women in the U.S. military, and their families, throughout their time in uniform. From the moment they join, through their assignments and deployments, and as they transition back to their communities, the USO is always by their side.

Today's USO continuously adapts to the needs of our men and women in uniform and their families, so they can focus on their very important mission. We operate USO centers at or near military installations across the United States and throughout the world, including in combat zones, and even un-staffed USO service sites in places too dangerous for anyone but combat troops to occupy.

USO airport centers throughout the country offer around-the clock hospitality for traveling service members and their families. At DFW Airport, we serve more than 220,000 military members annually through our airport center and local guard and reserve units.



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THE GEORGE W. BUSH INSTITUTE'S MILITARY SERVICE INITIATIVE

Housed within the George W. Bush Presidential Center, the George W. Bush Institute is an action-oriented, nonpartisan policy organization with the mission of developing leaders, advancing policy, and taking action to solve today's most pressing challenges. Through three Impact Centers – Domestic Excellence, Global Leadership, and an Engagement Agenda – the Bush Institute delivers measurable results that save and improve lives.

The Military Service Initiative within the Bush Institute honors the service and sacrifice of all post-9/11 veterans by ensuring that they and their families make successful transitions to civilian life, specifically in addressing the challenges of employment and overcoming the invisible wounds of war. Through research, policy development, programs, and presidential recognition, the Bush Institute's Military Service Initiative informs, influences, and unites communities, non-profit organizations, businesses, academia, and philanthropy. Together, we aim to maximize the health and well-being of post-9/11 veterans and military families, setting the conditions for a successful transition and their continued leadership as civilians.

The Bush Institute hosts two events featuring injured servicemen and women: the W100K, a high-endurance three-day bike ride, and the Warrior Open, a highly competitive golf tournament. Since 2011, more than 150 warriors have participated in Team 43 Sports events. Team 43 Sports showcases the courage, commitment, and resilience of these warriors and underscores the importance of sports as part of the rehabilitation process for our men and women injured on the front lines.



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Bill Schilling
Jim Struble
Jim Taylor
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Will Wilkins
Linus Wright +
Jim Young

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Dr. Don Read *
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Dennis Allen *
Charles Ashcraft
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Tom Meyer
Ross Perot *
Dr. Don Read *
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The Rotary Club of Dallas is involved in many activities in the local community and around the world. Below are a few of our annual projects:

Service Above Self Teacher Awards - This annual event provides an opportunity to recognize outstanding Dallas ISD teachers and to financially reward them for going the extra mile to make a lasting, positive impact on their students.

Bike Rodeo & Child Safety Day - In Partnership with Texas Scottish Rite Hospital, an annual bike safety course is developed for several hundred local children from age 3 to mid-teens where they can experience bicycle safety.

Dream Team Mentoring & Scholarship Program - Our Dream Team mentors work with bright students attending Woodrow Wilson High School to help them prepare for college and beyond. Students in the program are eligible for college scholarships from The Dallas Rotary Club Foundation.

Global Clean Water and Dental Initiative - Through Rotary grants, we provide clean drinking water and free dental clinics to people in Ghana through mission trips and additional ongoing support.

Rotary Club of Dallas Charity Golf Tournament - In 2015 an annual golf tournament and silent auction was established to raise funds for Safer Dallas Better Dallas. Safer Dallas supports the Dallas Police Department and its needs beyond what is funded by the city.

Feeding Children Everywhere - In 2013 our focus turned to primarily feeding the hungry in Dallas. Teams are formed to package dried food ingredients and, in the matter of two hours, more than 28,000 meals are packaged and later distributed to Dallas ISD school pantries.

Pints For Polio - Rotary International and its partners continue to address critical issues affecting health, wellbeing, and human rights locally and around the globe.

We'd love to tell you more about our Club's service opportunities and membership. To learn more, email hillary@dallasrotary.org.



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