

# Council of College and Military Educators

In the late '60s and early '70s, California had a unique need for diversified educational programs. This need was reflected in California's four distinct systems of education: The University of California, The California State System, The California Community Colleges and the independent colleges and universities. Located within the boundaries of the state were numerous military installations with a significant constituency of military service personnel and family members. Each military installation in the state was actively and vigorously pursuing education programs to meet the



CCME 1995 Annual Symposium, Las Vegas, Nev. Pictured from the left are Fred Huber, Brian Carroll, Steve Knight, Valente Vera and Mebane Harrison.

academic needs of the community it served. Both public and private institutions were involved in providing these programs. Unfortunately, Education Services Officers and institutional directors of continuing education centers at one installation were unaware of the programs available at neighboring installations.

Many Education Services Officers felt there was much to be gained from meeting together and sharing ideas and mutual experiences concerning the development and operation of military education programs. An embryonic initiative was taken in Northern California in September 1971 resulting in the formation of the Association of Military Educators of Northern California (AMENC). Concurrently, in Southern California, a similar organization, the Southern California Community College and Military Educators

Association (SCCCMEA) was formed. The two associations merged in 1972 and convened the first joint conference in 1973 as the California Community Colleges and Military Educators Association (CCCMEA).

From this early beginning, CCCMEA would meet annually in early February. It was decided that educational institutions providing education for the military, both on and off base, would be invited to send a representative to the conference. In 1981, CCCMEA evolved into the California Colleges and Military Educators Association (CCMEA) to better promote, encourage and deliver meaningful education within all branches of the armed services and to establish and maintain communication between military and civilian educators from the entire state. The first CCMEA conference took place in 1982 in San Diego. The



CCME 2012 Annual Symposium, Orlando, Fla. Linda Frank, speaker.

members sought to study and seek solutions to educational problems and objectives confronting the colleges and military educators within the state. Study results were provided to government agencies and their representatives. The reports reflected the viewpoint of the association.

In addition, the association encouraged the development of intramilitary educational programs within the Department of Defense (DoD) community. At the annual conference in San Francisco in 1994, the organization was renamed the Council of College and Military Educators (CCME) to more accurately reflect its global membership and its role in military, off-duty voluntary education. Thus, CCME became a national organization with members not only in the United States, but from overseas installations as well.



The current membership in CCME affords institutional and service representatives an opportunity to keep apprised of the various federal legislation and financial issues affecting military education. The annual symposium provides a platform upon which communications and liaisons can be established and openly maintained between all affiliates. CCME has become the vital communication link between college faculty, counselors, administrators, trustees, state representatives, state departments of education, military and civilian community educators, commanders, the Veterans Administration, the Department of Defense, Congress and the people we serve: military personnel, family members, veterans and DoD civilians.

Fred Huber, President Emeritus



CCME 2008, San Francisco, Calif.

#### **Awards Overview**



CCME 2010, Nashville, Tenn.

Any organization is only as good as its members. CCME has a history of active, committed members who selflessly give their time and energy to promote military education. Over the years, CCME has recognized the accomplishments of some of these members by awarding the John Brian Service and Leadership Award and the William E. Kennedy Service and Leadership Award to military and civilian education leaders. The President's Award is given to the individual or organization that has made a significant contribution toward advancing the cause of military education worldwide. The Institution Award is given to an institution that has excelled in the delivery of military education The programs. CCME Corporate Award is presented to an organization in recognition of its significant contributions to the cause of military education. The Barry Cobb Award recognizes the outstanding contribution to military education by a government entity.



## **President's Award**

Award Recipient Organization

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2012	Louis Martini	Thomas Edison State College
2011	Carolyn Baker	DoD Continuing Education Programs
2010	Dr. Jeff Cropsey	DANTES
2009	Gary Woods	Director, DoD Education
2008	James Selbe James Wright	American Council on Education Dartmouth College
2007	Lt. Col. Ronald Schwickerath	Army National Guard
2006	Mebane Harrison	Education Services Specialist, Naval Base Coronado, Calif.
2006	Thurman J. White	University of Oklahoma
2005	United States Air Force	United States Air Force
2004	Clinton (Andy) Anderson	Servicemembers Opportunity College
2003	Dr. Ed Peterson	Chief of Voluntary Education, HQ Pacific Air Forces
2002	Tim Scoggins	Army National Guard
2001	George Runner	California Assemblyman
2001	Department of the the Navy and Marine Corps	Department of the the Navy and Marine Corps
2000	Susan McIntosh	Education Services Officer, Marine Corps, Quantico, Va.
1999	Barry Cobb	Director, DANTES, Pensacola, Fla.
1999	Steve Kime	Director, Servicemembers Opportunity College
1998	Harry Schuler	Chapman University
1997	Barbara Baumgardner	Area Coordinator, Southern Illinois University, San Diego, Calif.
1996	Susane Bowles	Education Services Specialist, Submarine Base, San Diego, Calif.
1995	William J. "Pete" Knight	California Assemblyman
1004	Brian Carroll	California Baptist College
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1994	Dr. Fred Huber	University of Phoenix
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#### **Institution Award**

Year	Award Recipient
2012	American Military University
2011	University of Maryland University College (UMUC)
2010	Hawaii Pacific University
2009	Coastline Community College
2008	Colorado Technical University
2007	Central Texas College
2006	Excelsior College
2005	University of Maryland University College
2004	Cochise College
2003	University of Maryland University College
2002	Webster University
2001	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
1993	University of Phoenix
1992	Barstow College
1987	University of LaVeme

## **CCME Corporate Award**

Year	Award Recipient
2011	American Council on Education (ACE), Washington, D.C.
2010	Indtai, Inc., Sterling, Va.
2009	BAM Technologies, LLC, Arlington, Va.
2008	MBS Direct, LLC, Columbia, Mo.
2007	IBM, Herndon, Va.

#### CCME Lifetime Achievement Award

Year	Award Recipient	Organization
2012	Dr. James Anderson	Chancellor of Central Texas College (retired)
2012	Mr. Jeff Hayccraft	Tuition Assistance Operations Manager Army National Guard
2012	Ms. Marcy Shapiro	former Director of the SOCGuard program
2011	Loretta Cornett-Huff	Education Services Officer, USMC
2008	Dian Stoskopf	Director, Army Continuing Education
2007	Valente (Val) Vera	Education Services Officer, Air Force

### William E. Kennedy Award

Year Award Recipient Organization

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2011	Dr. Cheryl Polson	Director, KSU-Ft. Leavenworth Educational Leadership, Kansas State University
2011	Susan Dewan	Executive Director, Center for Military Education, Excelsior College
2010	Richard W. Carter	Western Illinois University
2009	Randy Wright	Webster University
2008	William "Bud" Hayes Jr.	Saint Leo University
2007	Edward McKenney	Dean, Coastline Community College
2006	Inez Williams	Central Texas College, Camp Pendelton, Calif.
2004	Doug Barr	Associate Dean, National University
2003	Dr. Steve Kime	Director, Servicemembers Opportunity College
2002	Tony Digiovanni	University of Phoenix
2001	Dr. Jim Anderson	Chancellor, Central Texas College
2000	Barbara Baumgardner	Area Coordinator, Southern Illinois University
1998	Bonnie Orvick	Director, Military Programs, Chapman University
1997	Lois Anderson	Central Texas College, Killeen, Texas
1996	Robert Von Woert	City University
1995	Harry Schuler	Chapman University
1994	Geri Shaw	Center Director, Southwestern College, San Diego, Calif.
1993	David Mertis	Chancellor, California Community Colleges
1992	Dr. David Burke	Director, Military Programs, Monterey Peninsula College, Calif.
1991	Ann Hill	Executive Director, Foundation for Achievement
1989	Nick Halisky	Victor Valley College
1988	Dr. Fred Huber	Chancellor, National University, Vista Campus
1987	Ron Violette	University of Southern California
1986	Davis Olson	Air Force Education Program
1986	Ron Lee	Golden Gate University
1986	Peter Aratakis	Palomar College
1986	(Special) William Kennedy	Received by Grace Kennedy

## John Brian Award

Year	Award Recipient	Organization
2012	Ms. Ann Hunter	Chief of Navy Voluntary Education
2011	Mariver "Ivy" Castro	Education Services Specialist, NB San Diego, Calif.
2010	Maj. Troy M. Gipps	Army National Guard
2009	Dawn Bilodeau	Army Continuing Education Services
2008	Jonell Calloway	Director, Army Reserve Education, St. Louis, Mo.
2007	Vernon Taylor	Director, Lifelong Learning USMC
2005	Jim Sweizer	Director, United States Air Force Education
2004	Joyce Taylor	Director, Coast Guard Education
2003	Jan Vanderwall	Education Services Officer at Fairchild AFB, Wash.
2002	CWO Ricardo Izquierdo	USN, El Centro NFA, Calif.
2002	Darlene Doran Jones	Education Services Officer, Presidio, Monterey, Calif.
2001	Dian Stoskopf	Director, Army Continuing Education
2000	Jonell Calloway	Director, Army Reserve Education, St. Louis, Mo.
1999	Otto Thomas	Department of Defense Education, Washington, D.C.
1997	Mebane Harrison	Education Services Specialist, Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado, Calif.
1996	Elizabeth Hassler	Education Services Officer, Army Reserves, Los Angeles, Calif.
1995	Rebecca Ledbetter	Navy Training Center, San Diego, Calif.
1994	Chuck Fennessey	Education Services Officer, Castle Air Force Base, Calif.
1993	Barry Cobb	Director, DANTES, Pensacola, Fla.
1992	Francoise Van der Ploeg	Education Services Officer, Travis AFB, Calif.
1991	Alan Matsushima	Education Services Officer, NAS, North Island, San Diego, Calif.
1989	Richard Davis	Education Services Officer, Vandenberg AFB, Calif.
1988	Dr. Duane Geiken	Education Services Officer
1987	Jeane Redsecker	Deputy Education Services Officer, Presidio of San Francisco, Calif.
1986	Joseph King	Area Manager, Navy College, San Diego, Calif.
1985	Dr. Otto Butz	President, Golden Gate University, San Francisco, Calif.
1985	Dr. Davis Chigos	President, National University
1985	George Zimon	Education Services Officer, Castle AFB, Calif.
1985	Capt. Gary Hakanson	Commanding Officer, Miramar NAS, San Diego, Calif.



Year	President	Theme	Location
2012	Linda Frank	Salute to Possibilities: Paving the Way for Our Military Community	Renaissance Orlando at Seaworld, Fla.
2011	Belinda Jones	Mission First, People Always: Collaborations & Innovations in Military Education	Marriott Waterside Hotel, Tampa, Fla.
2010	Jim Sweizer	Developing a 21st Century Total Force: A Matter of Honor	Renaissance Hotel, Nashville, Tenn.
2009	Kathleen Connelly	Embracing Our Heroes: Shaping Our World: Educating Servicemembers, Spouses and Families	Marriott Resort & Spa, Honolulu, Hawaii
2008	Louis Martini	Globalization of Voluntary Education: Best Practices	Downtown Marriott Hotel, San Francisco, Calif.
2007	Sherri Sims	Joint Patriots Driving Transformation	Portola Plaza Hotel, Monterey, Calif.
2006	Richard Little	Military Voluntary Education: A Sure Bet or a Future Gamble?	The Nugget Hotel, Reno, Nev.
2005	Ed Mckenney	Serving the Servicemember: In Search of Excellence	Marriot Hotel, New Orleans, La.
2004	JJ Jones	Cooperation and Collaboration With Results: Let's Talk	Fess Parker Doubletree, Santa Barbara, Calif.
2003	Valente Vera	Military Education: It's Bigger than TX (Managing Growth)	Historic Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Texas
2002	Valente Vera	Together We Can Make a Difference	Hilton Phoenix East, Mesa, Ariz.
2001	Mebane Harrison	Education 2001: A Voyage to the Future	Queen Mary Hotel, Long Beach, Calif.
2000	Warren Hoffnung	Technological Advances in Military Education for the New Millennium	Wyndham Westshore, Tampa, Fla.
1999	Rusty Schmitt	Military Off-Duty Education: Are We Meeting the Challenge?	Marriott Hotel, Monterey, Calif.
1998	Harry Lascola	The Changing Role of Military Education	Doubletree Hotel, Albuquerque, N.M.
1997	Valente Vera	Partners in Education	Doubletree Hotel, Seattle, Wash.
1996	Brian Carroll	Educational Opportunities in Today's Military Environment	Marriott Hotel, Monterey, Calif.
1995	Mebane Harrison	Commitment to Action	Tropicana Hotel, Las Vegas, Nev.
1994	Cheryl Cook	The New Military: Where Are We Going?	Marriott Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco, Calif.
1993	Evelyn Hardin	Partnership 1993	Red Lion Hotel, San Diego, Calif.
1992	Dr. Rolf Trautsch	Diversity, Creativity, Quality: Shaping the Future	Marriott Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco, Calif.
1991	Richard J. Davis	New Realities	Red Lion Hotel, San Diego, Calif.
1990	Dr. Fred Huber	Cooperation: The Key to Success	Radisson Hotel, Sacramento, Calif.
1989	Michael Koester	Expanding Directions	Sacramento Inn, Sacramento, Calif.

1988	Peter Aratakis	Models for Partnership and Cooperation	Sacramento Inn, Sacramento, Calif.
1987	Stuart N. Reid	A Time for Action	Radisson Inn, Sacramento, Calif.
1986	Dr. Duane Geiken	Future Trends	Kona Kai Hotel, San Diego, Calif.
1985	Dr. Dawn Patterson	Thirteenth Annual Conference	Clarion Hotel, San Diego, Calif.
1984	Dr. David A Olson	Retreat, Re-evaluate, and Revitalize: The 3 R's for Professional Development	Asilomar Conference Center, Monterey, Calif.
1983	Joe King	Closing the Gap	San Diego, Calif.
1982	Gary Woods	Fulfilling the Promise	La Jolla Village Inn, San Diego, Calif.
1981	Jeanne Hoeck	Ninth Annual Conference	Woodlake Inn, Sacramento, Calif.
1980	Clyde Cherry	The 80's - Another Decade for Excellence	Sheraton Hotel, Santa Barbara, Calif.
1979	John Brian	Seventh Annual Conference	Marine Memorial Club, San Francisco, Calif.
1978	Jean Laughlin	Sixth Annual Conference	El Cortez Hotel, San Diego, Calif.
1977	Dr. Al Miller	Fifth Annual Conference	Fort Ord, Calif.
1976	Wayne Nesbit	Fourth Annual Conference	Riviera Hotel, Palm Springs, Calif.
1975	Mansel Shiner	Third Annual Conference	Navy Support Activity, Long Beach, Calif.
1974	John Harmes	Second Annual Conference	
1973	John Harmes	First Annual Conference	
1972	John Harmes		

## **Special Recognition Award**

Year	Award Recipient
1985	California Community College System & DANTES

## Barry Cobb Government Organization Award

Year	Award Recipient
2012	Ramstein Education Office, Ramstein AB, Germany
2011	Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
2010	Co-Recipients: Coast Guard PSSU Honolulu Learning Center & Marine Corps Base Hawaii Joint Education Center
2009	Servicemembers Opportunity Colleges & Community College of the Air Force

## Council of College and Military Educators Mission Statement

The mission of the CCME is to promote and provide educational programs and services to facilitate communication between the membership and the DoD educational support network. The Council of College and Military Educators – Spring 2011.

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