

Leadership and Risk Management

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History: MAJ Chamberlain enlisted in the Army in **August 1988 and attended** Infantry One Station Unit Training (OSUT) at Harmony Church, Fort Benning, Georgia. MAJ Chamberlain spent 16 years enlisted, from the ranks of Private through Sergeant First Class. His deployments included Operations Desert



Shield and Desert Storm, and the Multi-national Force and Observers in Sinai, Egypt. MAJ Chamberlain earned his commission through Officer Candidate School in 2004 and was named the Distinguished Academic Graduate. He graduated of the Infantry Officer Basic Course in 2005. MAJ Chamberlain trained the Army's Reserve Component as an Observer, Coach-Trainer Team Chief, Operations Officer and Executive Officer with the 188th Infantry Brigade at Fort Stewart, Georgia. His deployments include two deployments to Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2006 and 2010. He is currently serving as the Battalion Executive Officer at the 5th Ranger Training Battalion in Dahlonega, Georgia.

Awards: Bronze Star (2), Meritorious Service Medal (2) Army Commendation Medal (4), Army Achievement Medal (6), Good Conduct Medal (5), National Defense Service Medal (2), Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Multinational Force and Observer Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge (2), Expert Infantryman's Badge, Ranger Tab, Senior Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Combat Diver's Badge, Air Assault Badge and Canadian Parachutist Wings.

Civilian Education: Emergency Medical Technicians Course –Basic (2000), Bachelor of Business Administration (Management) Degree from the University of Alaska Anchorage 2009.

MAJ Chamberlain has been married 26 years to Patricia (Trisha) Cozzolino, and they have 2 children: Santina (BA – Biology USF) and Shealeigh (BS – Psychology U of MN)

VPPPA REGION II 2017 CONFERENCE

As we prepared for this year's conference, which, believe it or not we actually started planning at the end of last year's conference!!... The Board sought to bring in someone with a compelling and relevant story to share and have a theme throughout the conference. We were excited about introducing everyone to keynote speaker Gary Norland, and hearing about his story of life after 12,500 volts. I am sad... to inform everyone that due to the lingering and permanent effects of that work related incident, he is at the present time in hospital in Las Vegas, and not able to share the message he prepared for us this week. Please keep Gary and his family in your thoughts and prayers at this time.

The insert in the program for this week provides updated information on an exciting keynote speaker that has stepped into that role and will be talking to us with regards to Leadership and Risk Management.

Program Notes ~ Changes & Updates

- Monday AED Presentation ~ Will take place after the VPP Star Plaque Presentation
- Monday 2:30pm Keynote Speaker:
 Maj. David D. Chamberlain, Executive Officer 5th
 Ranger Training Battalion
- Tuesday 1:30-3:00 PM Elements of an Effective Safety Stand-Down ~ Cancelled