

VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER NAMES BO RESTER AS "Master of Ceremonies":

Mr. Bo Rester; Owner/Agent at Bo Rester - State Farm, Owner-Operator at BoRodeo

Productions and Owner-Registered Financial Consultant at Rester Investments was named as the **VSO's Official Master of Ceremonies** for events, programs and other activities that celebrate or recognize our area Veterans, First Responders and Active Duty Military personnel.

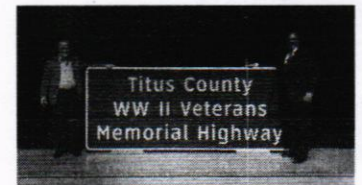
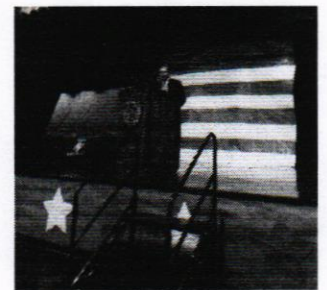
Bo had conducted several events for the VSO prior to accepting the official appointment in May of this year (Pictured top left). His first official ceremony was conducted at the Chamber

Office grounds for the dedication of the NGC Blue Star Marker (pictured right above) during Armed Forces Day weekend. Other events include the NGC Gold Star Marker dedication (not pictured) at War Memorial Plaza at the Titus County Courthouse the Friday prior to Memorial Day; Gold Star Mother's Day Luminary (pictured just left). His commitment to serving the interests of our veterans and his dedication to honor them and promote the continuation of their legacy is displayed in his actions.

Bo has been the driving force in a project to rename several roads and highways around Titus County in remembrance of our veterans and active duty military killed in action. This program is ongoing and other such projects are planned for

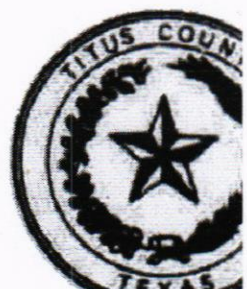
the future. Most recently, Bo made a special presentation of the WW II Veterans Memorial Highway at both the 22nd Annual PE Wallace Veterans Day Program (pictured just right & right below) and the Chapel Hill Veterans Day Program where he also MC'd that event. The first of the Highway Memoriai was the SSgt Mays Mem. Hwy.(pictured below left), followed by the Vietnam Veterans Mem. Hwy. (pictured below center); to be followed by WW I and Korean Veteran Mem. Hwys.(not pictured). Several additional projects are already in the plans and the cumulative effect of these will set the Mt. Pleasant and Titus County area apart as a focal point of Patriotism and a community that recognizes a heritage that keeps our Nation FREE.

Bo is also very active in supporting the M.O.M. Group (Ministering Our Military) here in Mt. Pleasant and as its designated representative; Bo has also made Memorial Flag presentations on behalf of a "Grateful Nation" for the Veteran Service Office. Several of these projects are also part of the Titus County Historical Commission's Merit Award Marker Program.



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TCHC MERIT AWARD PRESENTATIONS

TO

MPISD

The Titus County Historical Commission Chair, Steve Austin, is pleased to present, through the Members of the Board, and as directed by Superintendent Judd Marshall, to the MPISD, 10 TCHC Merit Award Markers for placement at the appropriate locations and at a time to be determined by MPISD.

The TCHC Merit Awards are presented in honor of the Namesakes for which each is dedicated. The efforts of MPISD to preserve the heritage and history of our community through the continuation of the legacy of these individuals is recognized and most appreciated. Although the mortar and brick and the steel and glass may change with time, we hope that the legacy of these recognized will endure.

... From West Ward to Vivian Fowler... from East Ward to Annie Sims... from South Ward to E.C. Brice... from Booker T. Washington to Francis Corprew...

Playgrounds change into Schools, Schools morph into Playgrounds... but the legacy lives on... and we deem it appropriate for the sites recognized today will be honored by continuing their legacy into the future, whatever it may bring...

As approved by the Titus County Commissioners Court, TCHC Merit Awards will be updated by the TCHC Chair and held by the Titus County Clerk's Office, in Volumes sufficient for future reference and documentation.

Vol. II - #042; Old Mt.Pleasant High School & Gym Bldgs.

#043; Old Tiger Stadium Stone "Bleachers (CCC)

#044 Sam Parker Football Field

#045 O.L. Colley Baseball Field

#046 Willie Williams Basketball Gymnasium

#050 Vivian Fowler Elementary

#051 Annie Sims Elementary

#052 E.C. Brice Elementary

#053 Francis Corprew Elementary

#054 P.E. Wallace Middle School

Special Thanks to the Priefert Family; Judge Brian Lee and Titus County Commissioners...

Steve W. Austin; TCHC Chair





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SHIELDS OF STRENGTH: Joshua 1:9 (KJV) –“Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.”



ACTIVE DUTY; CURRENTLY DEPLOYED:

MAJOR JOHN MARK COBERN, JA, is currently serving as the Deputy Staff Judge Advocate, 335th Signal Command, United States Army (Threater) (Provisional). Major Cobern is deployed to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Enduring Freedom (Spartan Shield). In his civilian capacity Mr.



Cobern is the Titus County Attorney, a position he has held since 2009. Major Cobern is married to

Michelle Cobern, and has one son, Connor Cobern. Major Cobern is a member of the Jessup/Reed Post 210, American Legion, Mt. Pleasant, where he also serves as Post Judge Advocate.

Oath of Enlistment: "I, __, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign or domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same;

that I take this obligation freely, without

any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

Major Cobern, your family, friends and neighbors from Mt. Pleasant and Titus County, salute your service to our

Nation and we recognize the sacrifice required and the dedication needed to succeed in your endeavors. Duty, Honor, Courage are words that continue to have meaning and are reflected in your efforts. We hold you always in our prayers.



On behalf of the Veterans Service Office of Titus County, Texas;

STEVE W. AUSTIN; VSO



Army Day June 14