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## **Colonel Christy L. Whitfield**

*Commandant of the Defense Language  
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(DLIFLC) in Monterey, California*

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### *An Update On All Things DLI*

Prior to her current role, Col. Whitfield served as the J2X Division Chief in the Intelligence Directorate at the United States Special Operations Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida. She graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate from Louisiana State University in December 2002 and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Military Intelligence Corps. Her education includes a Bachelor of Science degree from LSU, a Master of Military Arts and Science in Conflict, Security, and Development, and a Master of Strategic Studies. Her military education encompasses the Military Intelligence Officer Basic and Captains' Career Courses, the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the United States Army War College.

Throughout her career, Col. Whitfield has held various intelligence assignments, including roles as Assistant Brigade S2 in the 6th U.S. Cavalry Brigade in Korea, Battalion S2 and Assistant Brigade S2 in the 173rd Airborne Brigade in Italy, and Senior Intelligence Officer for the 2nd Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne) at Fort Carson, Colorado. She has also served as Intelligence Planner for the United States Army Special Operations Command, Troop Commander and Executive Officer in the Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC), Brigade S2 for 1st Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Collection Manager for XVIII Airborne Corps, Senior Targeting and Liaison Officer

for 3rd Operational Support Group, Squadron Commander in JSOC at Fort Liberty, North Carolina, and Director of Intelligence for Special Operations Joint Task Force – Afghanistan.

Her deployments and operational assignments include multiple tours in Afghanistan and Iraq, as well as operations in Kuwait and Syria. Col. Whitfield's awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal (with one Oak Leaf Cluster), Defense Meritorious Service Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters), Meritorious Service Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Commendation Medal (with Combat Device), Army Commendation Medal (with four Oak Leaf Clusters), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, and various campaign and service medals. She is a fully joint qualified officer and has earned the Parachutist Badge, the German Armed Forces Proficiency Badge (Bronze), Canadian and Polish airborne wings, and the Combat Action Badge.



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## “Service Above Self” Sign Up and Serve

## Rotary Community Service

Agency/Event	Types of Projects	Timing	Lead Club
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>United Way &amp; National Read Day</li> </ul>	Reading for one hour with elementary students at local schools	Monday, March 3 – 9-10am (one hour)	Monterey Rotary Club/United Way Shyam Kamath, Katie Castagna <a href="https://www.unitedwaymcca.org/read-across-america-volunteer-opportunity">https://www.unitedwaymcca.org/read-across-america-volunteer-opportunity</a>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gateway Center</li> </ul>	Painting, planter boxes, electrical work	April 26, 2025 9-1pm	Passport Club, York Interact Monterey Rotary
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Perkin's Park Cleanup</li> </ul>	Park cleanup Up to 100 volunteers. Gloves, tools	April 2025 with youth 9-1pm	Pacific Grove Rotary Club Julie Olson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rotary Track Meet, PG High School</li> </ul>	Volunteer to help host high school track meet. Various shifts	March 29, 9-2pm	Pacific Grove Rotary Club Julie Olson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Santa Fly In</li> </ul>	Toys for kids, parade – traffic control for event	Sat Dec 13, 2025 10am-3pm	Carmel Valley Club

## FEBRUARY – MARCH 2025

<b>Thursday – 02/20</b>	<b>MEarth &amp; The Village Project – Grant Recipients</b>
<b>Thursday – 02/27</b>	<b>Brad &amp; Rosemarie Barbeau – Egypt: Tombs, Temples, &amp; Tourist Traps</b>
<b>Thursday – 03/06</b>	<b>Kate Daneils – A State Of The County Of Monterey, From Its Newest Supervisor</b>
<b>Tuesday – 03/11</b>	<b>COG Meeting – 5:30 PM – Hilton Garden Inn</b>
<b>Thursday – 03/13</b>	<b>Arthur Simons – The History Of Recording Technology (Plus Phonograph Presentation)</b>
<b>Thursday – 03/20</b>	<b>COG Bios</b>

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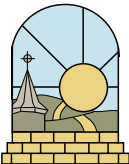
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Dino Pick	02/20/14	11 Years
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