

Dr. Dean Ortner--Abbreviated Bio

Dean is the eldest of eight boys whose parents were both professors in the fields of rocket science, metallurgical engineering and math. He showed a precocious inclination for education at an early age by designing an analog computer at age nine to help him with his math homework. He and his brothers attended school year round.

Dean began his university training at age 15 in aeronautical/electrical engineering and French, transferring to medicine and bio-nucleonics, the field in which he ultimately assumed a faculty position as a research scientist at a mid-western university. His responsibility there was to teach doctors from Mayo Clinic and other post-doctoral students in advanced surgical techniques, medical entomology/toxicology and instrumental analysis. He has guest lectured at Johns-Hopkins Medical School, Harvard, Princeton, Purdue, Virginia Tech and Georgia Tech among others under the auspices of the Staley Lectureship series for visiting professors. His second doctorate is in the field of Humanities. His professor parents urged him to become not only "trained," but "educated."

As a youth, in the midst of his university studies, his parents encouraged him to broaden his educational experience by investing two different years in Europe studying art and opera with professors from the Sorbonne in Paris. His love for languages encouraged him to study French, Spanish, Hungarian, German, Japanese and Chinese (written).

Most of those in Dean's family are pilots and he continues to enjoy flying at every opportunity. Like his father before him, Dean also designed and built his own plane as a teenager. He has worked with civilians and the military during the past 40 years as a science lecturer presenting truths about the Creator through His handiwork. Dean has flown high performance fighters, piloted nuclear submarines and received close-up inspections of nuclear missiles and launch facilities from Florida to Alaska. His commission as a Lt. Col. 92nd US Army Airborne (Hon.) added the Red Beret to his family. Two other brothers, one a Battalion Commander in the Special Forces, wear the Green and Black.

Dean is known as "The Million Volt Man" on the premiere of Ripley's Believe It Or Not, witnessed by the largest viewing audience in cable television history, over 100 million! The live demonstrations have been presented on nearly every continent in the world and in many dozens of countries. Dean's most recent films include, "Radiant Energy" and "The Solar System" in which he plays an astronaut commander. He has had four books published and a fifth being edited.

A common site on military bases, Dean's "Wonders of Science" presentations have also appeared at several World's Fairs, Olympic Games, all military academies, Camp David and the Pentagon where he recently received a medallion from the General of the 11th Wing serving the President. That service medal has only been presented to 32 individuals since President George Washington! His live audiences number over 8 million and via worldwide syndicated television over three-quarters billion!

Dean and his wife Terry reside in Whittier, CA. They have three children. The eldest, Stephanie, is ministering in Tonto Basin, AZ with her pastor-husband Robert. Steven is a Captain with SkyWest Airlines serving United and Delta and is based in Denver, CO with his wife, Amber, a teacher. Stacy and her husband Tim, who performs with Disney, currently reside in the Los Angeles, CA area.

Dean continues to tour with his internationally acclaimed "Wonders of Science." Contact us at 6548 Newlin Avenue; Whittier, CA 90601; 562-631-6731. Web site: www.wondersofscience.org