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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MOAA Community Outreach Grant – I am pleased to announce that the chapter has been awarded another \$ 5,000 grant from the MOAA Foundation for the 2019-2020 continuation of our MOAA/VBH transitioning veteran mentorship program. Details of the program will be sent to all during the summer.

At the meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup> we will award five \$ 2,000 scholarships to well deserving JROTC Cadets. They will tell us about themselves and what they want to accomplish going forward.

The awardees are Emma Mallon (Mallard Creek HS, Marshall Miles Jr. (Hopewell HS), Emma Pincus (Weddington HS), Charlotte Pollack (Nation Ford HS) and Courtney Wilkins (Rocky River HS) .

We will take a summer break until the September meeting which will be on the 15th. However, we will have JROTC golf tournament and Scholarship fundraising meetings. We need all chapter members to take action in obtaining sponsors and donors in order to continue with our highly successful scholarship program. Bottom line: no chapter support, no scholarships. We need you!

Thank you for your participation with and for our chapter goals attainment.

Jay E. Garbus, CW4, USA (Ret), President

*The mission of the Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is to promote MOAA purposes and objectives. This will foster fraternal relations among retired, active, and former officers of the uniformed services, and their Reserve and National Guard components. The goal is to actively promote the protection of the rights and interests of members of the uniform services, their family members including survivors, provide useful services for members and their families, and serve the community, the active military forces (past, present, and future), and our nation.*

#### NEXT MEETING

**Sunday, MAY 19th, 2019**

Red Rocks Cafe  
4223 Providence Rd

Social Time **1500**  
Meeting with Meal **1530**

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The **Newsletter** is published monthly for members and friends of Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter, MOAA.

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**MOAA "Take Action"** <http://www.moaa.org/takeAction/>

**Membership** Open to active duty, former, retired, and National Guard and Reserve commissioned and warrant officers of the uniformed services or their surviving spouses.

**PROGRAMS**

19 May – JROTC Scholarship Awards. Our 5 awardees for 2019 with their parents and Senior JROTC Instructors will be our guests for dinner and presentation of the \$ 2,000 scholarship certificates. Come and meet these truly outstanding young citizens.

15 Sep – OPEN

27 Oct – Octoberfest

17 Nov – Pat Biddy, MIA's

8 Dec – Holiday Party

**LEGISLATION – DICK STEEVES**

**Federal - HR 333** A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated less than 50 percent to receive concurrent payment of both retired pay and veterans' disability compensation, to extend eligibility for concurrent receipt to chapter 61 disability retirees with less than 20 years of service, and for other purposes.

**Federal - HR 553** A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement for reduction of survivor annuities under the Survivor Benefit Plan for military surviving spouses to offset the receipt of veterans dependency and indemnity compensation, and for other purposes.

**MOAA/VETERANS BRIDGE HOME VETERANS (VBH) MENTORSHIP PROGRAM** - We are concluding the first year where we have had seven (7) chapter members (and 6 others) who have volunteered to serve as mentors for transitioning veterans. This pilot program with selected mentors having a one-on-one mentor/mentee relationship with a transitioning veteran has had real successes and also some challenges with lessons learned we will apply to the future. Assistance, as needed, for professional support has been provided through some of the VBH/NC Serves network. A follow-on Community Outreach grant from the MOAA Foundation for 2019 – 2020 has been awarded for program continuation starting in May. There will be a combined networking reception and corporate speed interview program with Patriot's Path on **May 9<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Presbyterian Church starting at 5:00 PM**. If interested in attending contact Ron Morgan at: [rbmorgan943@aol.com](mailto:rbmorgan943@aol.com)

**THE UNCC ROTC GOLD BARS PROGRAM** – On May 10, Chuck Martin and Ed Brown will present Gold Bars to 14 UNCC AFROTC cadets (new 2<sup>nd</sup> LTs.) at their USAF Commissioning ceremony at the UNCC Uptown City Center campus. On May 16<sup>th</sup>, chapter representatives will present gold bars to 20 UNCC Army ROTC cadets in a ceremony at the UNCC Student Union. We are still trying to confirm chapter members (ex or retired US Army) that can assist in this presentation. Contact President Jay Garbus ASAP.

**JROTC SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISING** - Chapter JROTC Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament on **October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. For the 2019 tournament, we need additional chapter members to get involved and seek out prime and hole/team sponsors. Contact potential sponsors early in the new year. **The 2019 tournament flyer is included in this newsletter.**



**NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL OF CHAPTER MEETINGS** ( <https://www.moaa-nc.org/index.php> ) 2019 Council Meeting Schedule – Mark your calendars  
Chapters Websites - <https://www.moaa-nc.org/chapters.php>

- a. 2Q19 Meeting in Flat Rock that is near Hendersonville. May 17-18, 2019, Western Carolina Chapter Hosting. Detailed info coming soon, see NC Council Web Site
- b. 3Q19 Meeting in Cary at Searstone, Saturday meeting ONLY, August 17, 1000 to 1500, lunch will be provided
- c. 4Q19 Convention at Hilton DoubleTree Atlantic Beach Oceanfront, October 18, 19, 20, 2019

### **MOAA NEWS**

MOAA is the nation's largest and most influential association of military officers. We are a powerful force speaking for a strong national defense and representing the interests of military officers and their families at every stage of their careers. To reach our Member Service Center, please call 1-800-234-6622 or email us at [msc@moaa.org](mailto:msc@moaa.org).

**WE ARE IN NATIONAL MOAA NEWS** - A [MOAA Foundation](#) grant has allowed our MOAA chapter to connect with transitioning servicemembers in the community, building generational relationships and helping veterans navigate a difficult time in their lives and careers. See the May 2019 Military Officer magazine, page 68 for an article featuring our member, Colonel Larry Zinser and his involvement as a mentor. We have been awarded a follow-on for 2019-2020 to continue and build the program.

**MOAA ACTION** - Women's Health on the Front Lines. With more than 200,000 women currently serving on active duty - and even more expected to be in uniform in the coming years - understanding the unique health needs of the women who serve is essential to the readiness of the total force.

"It's even more important now, when you have the roles of women changing in the services," says MOAA's director of government relations for health affairs, Capt. Kathryn M. Beasley, USN (Ret), PhD, FACHE.

According to the VA, women currently account for 9.4 percent of the nation's veteran population. In 25 years, as women continue to enlist in record numbers, that figure is expected to hit 16.3 percent.

"The VA is not moving as quickly as they need to be to meet this bow wave," says Cmdr. René A. Campos, USN (Ret), senior director of government relations for veterans-wounded warrior care at MOAA and cochair of The Military Coalition Veterans Committee.

When it comes to the physical and mental well-being of women who are serving and those who have served, there are many questions in need of urgent answers, Campos says.

"I don't think you'll find anybody in the health care system who will say that we're moving as fast as we should or would like to."

"I think it's a blind spot. I don't think it's necessarily intentional. I just don't think they've recognized that there might be a problem," says Col. Ellen Haring, USA (Ret), acting chair of the Service Women's Action Network. The

organization recently released a study indicating military women report having trouble getting pregnant at rates “dramatically higher” than the national average.

The health needs of female servicemembers actually differ from the needs of their civilian counterparts in a number of significant ways, according to America's Health Rankings® Health of Women Who Have Served, a groundbreaking report recently released by MOAA in partnership with the United Health Foundation.

Among other things, the report reveals women veterans are susceptible to significantly higher rates of arthritis, cancer, heart disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, and functional impairment as compared to civilian women. Even more troubling, the report concludes women who have served are almost twice as likely as civilians to have suicidal thoughts.

### **SURVIVING SPOUSE**

The group plans to hold hour-long virtual meetings every quarter. Go to MOAA and search for the Chapter then sign up.



### **ON GOING EVENTS**

1. Mecklenburg Veterans Council – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday every month at 11:30 am. Valerie C. Woodard Center, 3205 Freedom Drive, Ste. 2000 (Community Support Services), Bldg. D, Charlotte, NC. The meeting room is the Queen City Conference Room, 2029
2. Veteran Network breakfasts on the first Thursday of every month, starting at 0730 at Another Broken Egg in Ballantyne. Total cost is \$ 13.
3. Veteran Network Uptown Lunches on the second Wednesday of every month starting at 11:45 at the Covenant Presbyterian Church Community Room. Total cost is \$ 10.00.

**AMAZON SMILE CHAPTER DONATIONS** - **Ronald Wilsbach**, Thank you for registering Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter of the MOAA at [org.amazon.com](https://org.amazon.com) and welcome to AmazonSmile, where Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of eligible smile.amazon.com purchases to the charities selected by customers. Spread the word to your supporters so they can generate donations for your organization when they shop. When customers sign up for AmazonSmile, they're asked to select one of over a million charities to support. When customers click on your unique link, they skip this charity selection process. Instead, they're taken to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and are automatically asked if they want to support Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter of the MOAA.

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# **JROTC Scholarship Fund** **BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT**



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*All tournament proceeds go to support higher education scholarships for outstanding JROTC cadets in Charlotte-Metrolina area high schools.*

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**Friday, October 4, 2019**  
**Olde Sycamore Golf Plantation - Mint Hill, NC**

7:30a - 8:45a Registration, Continental Breakfast, Driving Range Balls, Practice Putting Green  
9:00a Tee Off Captain's Choice / Scramble Format & Tournament Play (until 2p)  
2:00p - 3:30p Barbecue Buffet Dinner, Awards, Door Prizes & Raffle Winners

(SEE PAGE 2 FOR PRICING, SPONSORSHIP LEVELS AND REGISTRATION FORM)

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**PRIZES AWARDED to 1st, 2nd, 3rd place teams, Closest to the Pins, Longest Drive & more!**

**HOLE-IN-ONE PRIZE: New Honda provided by**



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## ***JROTC Scholarship Fund Benefit Golf Tournament - Oct 4, 2019*** **LEVELS & REGISTRATION**

**PRICE INCLUDES:** Green fees, Cart, 2 Beverage Tickets on Course, Continental Breakfast, Buffet Dinner, Door Prizes & Gifts. Sponsorships will also get signage at tee/green.

### **PARTICIPATION**

Individual Golfer \$100      4 Person Team \$400

### **SPONSORSHIPS**

#### TEE/GREEN SPONSORSHIP

Individual \$100      Company Signage \$200      4 Person Team + Signage \$500

#### PRIME COMPANY SPONSORSHIPS

All levels include: Reserved dining table at Awards Dinner, acknowledgement at Tournament Dinner, and company name and/or logo on printed material, press releases and MOAA website.

A representative of each sponsor company will be invited to and recognized at the JROTC scholarship awards dinner/ceremony in May 2020.

#### **Platinum Sponsor \$2,000**

- (3) Foursomes
- Title Sponsor Banner
- MOAA Challenge Coin to each golfer
- Opportunity to speak at Awards Dinner

#### **Gold Sponsor \$1,500**

- (2) Foursomes
- Title Sponsor Banner
- MOAA Challenge Coin to each golfer

#### **Silver Sponsor \$1,000**

- (1) Foursome
- Title Sponsor Banner
- MOAA Challenge Coin to each golfer

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### **Registration Form - JROTC Scholarship Fund BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT 2019**

Please Check One or Several: (Mulligan packages available at Registration)

PARTICIPATION: ☐ Individual Player \$100      ☐ 4 Person Team \$400

SPONSORSHIPS: ☐ Individual \$100      ☐ Company Tee/Green \$200      ☐ 4 Person Team Tee/Green \$500

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Team Captain/Player Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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PAYMENT: Checks payable to MOAA Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter

**Please detach and send form by September 13, 2019** (and payment if by check) to:  
Ron Wilsbach – MOAA Scholarship Golf Tournament, 10944 Casetta Drive, Matthews, NC 28105-5918



## NC-04 CHARLOTTE-METROLINA CHAPTER MOAA

### ENROLLMENT/RENEWAL FORM

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JROTC Scholarship Fund Donation: \_\_\_\_ Receipt: Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

**Membership Requirements:** Commissioned and Warrant Officers of the seven uniformed services (Army, Navy, Air Force Marine Corps, Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and U.S. Public Health Service) and the reserve and other components of these services may become regular members. Widows and widowers of any deceased individual, who would, if living, are eligible for membership as auxiliary members. Regular members must hold and maintain membership in both the national organization as well as the local chapter. Auxiliary members are encouraged but not required to hold both memberships.