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## Newsletter September 2023

### President's Message- September 2023



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##### **Meetings**

Red Rocks Café

4223 Providence Road Charlotte

Here is hoping that everyone had a great summer. Now...it is time to continue the great work that the Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter has been doing over the years.

Our September 17 meeting at Red Rocks Cafe will feature Jim Funk, Vice-President and Treasurer of a non-profit organization called.... **Hook Line and Heroes**...which provides guided fishing experiences to disabled veterans.

We will need **"ALL HANDS ON DECK"** for this event. PLEASE ASK ABOUT WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS.

During our meeting, we will be discussing some important topics, including the CMC Signature event for 2023.... the **ANNUAL JROTC SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT** which will take place on Friday, October 6 at Olde Sycamore Golf Plantation.

Again, **WELCOME BACK** from summer recess.

We are soo glad that you have decided to.....

#### **NEVER STOP SERVING.**

Joe L. Anderson, President, Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter, MOAA, 336-324-1008

**Our mission statement** is in concert with the Military Officers Association of America purposes and objectives. The goal is to foster fraternal relations among retired, active, and former officers of the uniformed services and their Reserve and National Guard components. Our aim is to actively promote the protection of the rights and interests of members of the uniformed 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.

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## **CHARLOTTE METROLINA CHAPTER NEWS**

### **Annual JROTC SCHOLARSHIP FUND GOLF TOURNAMENT**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!** As you know, our Annual JROTC SCHOLARSHIP FUND GOLF TOURNAMENT will be held on **Friday, October 6, 2023** at Olde Sycamore Golf Plantation – Mint Hill, NC.

This is the **CHAPTER'S SIGNATURE EVENT** and is the primary source of funding for the higher education scholarships that we award each year. As you know, in May 2023, we awarded eight \$ 2,000 scholarships to very deserving JROTC cadets from the 40 JROTC programs we support in our greater North and South Carolina area.

It is critical that every chapter member is engaged and does his/her part in ensuring the financial success of this year's tournament, to replenish our scholarship fund allowing the chapter to continue this important contribution to the higher educational support of outstanding JROTC cadets in the local community.

### **HERE IS HOW YOU CAN HELP:1. OBTAIN SPONSORS:**

Carry copies of the tournament flyer (see attached) with you as you visit restaurants and other businesses, especially those that you have a special relationship with, such as doctors, dentists, etc. **Ask for their support through sponsorship at one of the levels indicated on the flier. (\$100 - \$5,000, and above).** We are a 501 (C) 3 organization and **ALL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTABLE**. The chapter's tax TD/EIN # is 38-3779812. (Can also be found on the flier at the bottom of page 1.)

**IF YOU ARE PURSUING A POTENTIAL PRIME SPONSOR, PLEASE CONTACT RON MORGAN, COORDINATOR, SPONSOR DEVELOPMENT FOR ASSISTANCE.**

**2. FIND GOLFERS:** Without golfers, there is not a golf tournament! So, by all means, **FIND GOLFERS.**

**3. HOW TO REGISTER:** **BOTH SPONSORS AND GOLFERS REGISTER THE SAME WAY; ONLINE:** Go to Charlotte-Metrolina MOAA website [www.charlottesmoaa.org](http://www.charlottesmoaa.org) to register and make payment: **OR BY CHECK:** Detach form

from flier, and make check payable to "MOAA Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter" and *Mail to:* Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter MOAA, ATTN: MOAA Scholarship Golf Tournament PO Box 31394, Charlotte, NC 28231-1394

**THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE IN THIS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT EFFORT.**For answers to any questions or need for assistance and information, contact: Joe Anderson, Tournament Chair (336-324-1008) – cell or email ([joeanderson1970@yahoo.com](mailto:joeanderson1970@yahoo.com))

### **CHAPTER MEETING DATES**

**(All meetings will be dinner meetings at Red Rocks Café at 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise indicated)**

**September 17** – Speaker – Jim Funk, Vice-President and Treasurer of a non-profit organization called.... **Hook Line and Heroes**...which provides guided fishing experiences to disabled veterans.

October 15; November 19; December (no meeting)

### **OPERATION SAVE CEDAR GROVE**

As you may know, CMC is participating in the Veterans Bridge Home (VBH)-led project called OPERATION SAVE CEDAR GROVE..., which is designed to clean up a cemetery which has been neglected over the years. It is a cemetery where Black Veterans and prominent leaders in the Black Charlotte community were laid to rest many years ago. As you know, Veterans Bridge Home (VBH) is one of our existing veteran support partner organizations. We are also standing "shoulder-to-shoulder" with Truist, our Supporting Sponsor organization for 2023, in the Cedar Grove Project. This month's cleanup day is September 28. Chapter members are encouraged to participate; go to the following link and sign up:

[https://veteransbridgehome.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need\\_id=840092](https://veteransbridgehome.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=840092)

### **SURVIVING SPOUSE CORNER:**

**Surviving Spouse Virtual Chapter:** Membership continues to grow, with 210 members from 38 states. The chapter meets on the third Tuesday of each month. Every other month is a business meeting with a speaker, and alternate months are an informal gathering to exchange information and ideas. For more information, send an email to [mssvc02@gmail.com](mailto:mssvc02@gmail.com).

### **MOAA NATIONAL 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. It is an independent, nonprofit, politically nonpartisan organization. To reach our Member Service Center, please call 1-800-234-6622 or email us at [msc@moaa.org](mailto:msc@moaa.org).

### **MOAA'S NEVER STOP SERVING PODCAST**

In the third season of *MOAA's Never Stop Serving Podcast*, we are sharing first-person accounts from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Each week, you will hear directly from the men and women who survived these battles, and how their combat experiences shaped the people they are today.

Each episode can be streamed below, or download/follow/subscribe to the podcast on [Apple Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#), [Amazon Music](#), [Google Podcasts](#), [PodChaser](#), or [TuneIn](#).



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

TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN - JOE L. ANDERSON

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**Friday, October 6, 2023**  
**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

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

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

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# **JROTC Scholarship Fund Benefit Golf Tournament - Oct 6, 2023**

## **LEVELS & REGISTRATION**

**PRICE INCLUDES:** Green fees, Cart, 2 Beverage Tickets on Course, Raffle Ticket, Continental Breakfast, Buffet Dinner, Door Prizes & Gifts.

### **PARTICIPATION**

Individual Golfer \$125      4 Person Team \$500

### **SPONSORSHIPS**

#### **HOLE/TEE SPONSORSHIP**

Individual \$100      Company Signage \$250      4 Person Team + Signage \$600

#### **PRIME COMPANY SPONSORSHIP**

**ALL LEVELS INCLUDE:** Acknowledgement at Tournament Dinner, and company name and/or logo on printed material, and press releases. A representative of each Prime Sponsor will be invited to and be recognized at the JROTC scholarship awards dinner/ceremony in May 2024.

#### **Signature Sponsor \$5,000**

- (3) Foursomes
- Signature Sponsor Banner
- Opportunity to speak at Awards Dinner
- MOAA Challenge Coin to each golfer
- On MOAA website for 12 months

#### **Platinum Sponsor \$3,000**

- (2) Foursomes
- Title Sponsor Banner
- Opportunity to speak at Awards Dinner
- MOAA Challenge Coin to each golfer
- On MOAA website for 12 months

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

- (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 2023**

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

PARTICIPATION: \_\_\_\_ Individual Player \$125      \_\_\_\_ 4 Person Team \$500

SPONSORSHIPS: \_\_\_\_ Individual \$100      \_\_\_\_ Company Hole/Tee \$250      \_\_\_\_ 4 Person Team Hole/Tee \$600  
\_\_\_\_ Prime Company Sponsorship (Level \_\_\_\_)

Team Captain/Player 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2. \_\_\_\_\_ Player 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Payment and Registration Due by October 1, 2023**

**ONLINE:** Go to Charlotte-Metrolina MOAA website [www.charlottemoaa.org](http://www.charlottemoaa.org) to register and make payment

**BY CHECK:** Detach this form and make check payable to "MOAA Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter"

Mail to: Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter MOAA, ATTN: MOAA Scholarship Golf Tournament  
PO Box 31394, Charlotte, NC 28231-1394

## **HELP SUPPORT MILITARY FAMILY ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH CARE**

Help MOAA build support for H.R. 4824, the Stop Copay Overpay Act, which would reduce TRICARE copays for mental health visits and address the financial barrier to accessing mental health services.

## **URGE YOUR SENATORS TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION HALTING CUTS TO MILITARY MEDICINE**

Please contact your senators and urge them to support H.R. 7900 Sec. 780, which would halt medical billet cuts for three years and increase congressional oversight and DoD reporting.

## **IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS & WEBSITES:**

**THE SURVIVORS OUTREACH SERVICES OFFICE (SOS):** Find your nearest SOS coordinator at <https://dcs9.army.mil/safr/sos/sos-find.html> Use the dropdown lists to find survivor coordinators by state/county or country/region. If a coordinator is not listed, please call 855-707-2769 for survivor assistance.

**TO REPORT THE DEATH OF A MILITARY RETIREE:** Call DFAS at 1-800-321-1080, or use the form at <https://corpweb1.dfas.mil/askDFAS/ticketInput.action?subCategoryID=18004>

**VA:** 1-800-827-1000 <http://www.va.gov>

**Social Security:** 1-800-772-1213 <http://www.ssa.gov>

**Update ID cards:** 1-800-538-9552; [www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsi](http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsi)

## **VA BURIALS & MEMORIALS PAGE:**

VA burial benefits can help service members, military retirees, veterans, and their family members plan and pay for a burial or memorial service, whether in a local cemetery or in a VA national cemetery. Family members can also order memorial items to honor the service of a Veteran. The VA Burial and Memorial Products Quick Start Guide (QSG) provides clear and concise information on VA burial benefits for Veterans, their families, caregivers and survivors; read the guide at <https://www.va.gov/burials-and-memorials-guide.pdf> Go to <https://www.va.gov/burials-memorials/#get> to find out how to apply for burial benefits and how to plan for a burial in advance or at time of need.

## **NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL OF CHAPTERS NEWS**



MOAA Chapter coin \$10.00 -  
contact Ron Wilsbach





## Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter

### ENROLLMENT/RENEWAL FORM

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Branch \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address : \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ National Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

Ph/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual Dues - \$30.00**

**Surviving Spouse Dues remain at \$10.00 annually.**

Please remit check and completed renewal form to: Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter MOAA  
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**Membership Requirements:** Commissioned and Warrant Officers of the eight uniformed services ( Army, Navy, Air Force, Space 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. Regular members must hold and maintain membership in both the national organization as well as the local Chapter. Spouse members are encouraged but not required to hold both memberships. (Surviving spouses of deceased MOAA Life Members retain their spouses membership.)

Not a MOAA national member yet? A basic membership is free. A Premium membership is available for \$48.00 per year. Get all the details at [msc@moaa.org](mailto:msc@moaa.org) or call 800-234-6622.