



MOAA-UCC ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP PICNIC

MONDAY, JUNE 3RD

LAKE ST. GEORGE MARINA PAVILLION

1030 CHECK-IN

1100 PARTY STARTS!!

\$20/PERSON LUNCHEON:

Smoked BBQ Chicken, Pineapple glazed ham, Hawaiian Mac Salad, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Rolls/Butter, Side Salad, Dessert

BY LAKE TANZI CATERING

ENTERTAINMENT BY MARK JANKY

RSVP BY SUNDAY, MAY 26TH:

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Kathie Clark, MOAA-UCC Liaison to Cookeville HS JROTC, presents the MOAA Award to Cadet/CPT Mylie Boyd of the Cookeville Cavalier Battalion.



Linda Frazier, MOAA-UCC Liaison to Clarkrange HS JROTC, presents the MOAA Award to Cadet Emily Lavender of the Clarkrange Buffalo Battalion.



Linda Frazier, MOAA-UCC Liaison to Clarkrange HS JROTC, presents the 2024 MOAA UCC Chapter Scholarship to Cadet Cameran Quick.



Scott Jacobsen, President MOAA-UCC, presents the MOAA Award to Cadet Madison Granger of the TTU ROTC Golden Eagle Battalion.

**MOAA UCC
March Membership Brunch
Saturday, March 23rd, 2024
TCAT**

- I. Meeting was called to order by the President, Scott Jacobsen at 11:00. Members did the Pledge of Allegiance. Brunch was followed by the business meeting. 50 members and spouses attended.**
- II. A. The following guests were welcomed:
 Carl & Linda Hubbard
 Mike & Cathy McMahon
 Rex & Dinine Warner**
- B. Minutes from the last Board Meeting were discussed.**
- C. Finance - In the absence of the Treasurer Linda Frazier presented the Finance Report and emphasized that Dues are due for 2024 (\$20)**
- D. ROTC.JROTC - The JROTC Scholarship winner was announced: Cadet Cameran Quick (Clarkrange HS JROTC). Clark Range Buffalo Battalion - Excellent performance on a recent competition was noted. JROTC participation in the Veterans Parade was discussed.**
- E. Membership Committee discussed participating in the April 8th Get Involved Expo at the FFG Center from 10-13:00.**
- F. MOAA will host an "Officers Call" at the Brass Lantern on 22 April 16:30-18:30**
- G. The TTU ROTC Golf Scramble will be on 27 April. If you want to participate contact the Vice President Robert Martin at:**
- H. June Picnic. Monday, 3 June from 11-13:00 at the Lake George Marina**
- I. Ethan Hadley, President/CEO of the Crossville-Cumberland Chamber of Commerce gave a presentation as guest speaker.**
- J. Meeting was adjourned at 1300.**



(Left) Ethan Hadley presenting to MOAA Membership. (Below) President Scott Jacobsen thanking Ethan Hadley for the presentation.



“Calling All Officers”

The first MOAA-UCC “Officers Call” was held on Monday, April 22nd at Brass Lantern Restaurant. 24 Officers and spouses attended including new members, Gary and Maria Mathewson, and Carl and Linda Hubbard. Prospective member Mike DeLaurentis was also in attendance (and is now a New Member). Members had ample opportunity to socialize and enjoy wonderful hors d’oeuvres compliments of the Jacobsens. President Jacobsen considered the event a huge success and hopes to have another one in August.



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS!

COL Gary Mathewson, USA, and wife, Maria

LTC Carl Hubbard, USAR, and wife, Linda

CDR Tim O'Hara, USN, and wife, Lisa

Capt Rex Warner, USMC, and wife, Denine

LtCol Mike McMahon, USMC, and wife, Kathy

CDR Mike DeLaurentis, USN

Attention Members

Any member in good standing with a desire to serve the MOAA UCC membership is welcome to submit their intention to serve on the Board of Directors to President Scott Jacobsen (jakemaraly@gmail.com). Positions open for this election cycle (vote at September membership meeting) are:

*Treasurer (2 yr term)
Board Member (Programs) (3 yr term)*

Additional Serving Members

Chapter Chaplain:

MAJ Guy McBride, USA

Surviving Spouse Liaison:

Sarah Pfaffenroth

Membership Chair:

COL Kathie Clark, USAR

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VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE
AT
ROANE STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Morning Coffee and Donuts

FREE COFFEE

CALLING ALL Veterans!

FREE DONUTS

23 MAY 8-9 A.M.
*Main Building
In the Community Room*
1st door to the left
2657 Cook Road, Crossville

TOPIC:
All Things
Travel Claims
The ins and outs of Travel Claims

Letter from Councilman Patterson –

Capt. Jacobsen,

Greetings - - my name is John Patterson, a Cumberland County Commissioner who saw today your "Calling All Officers" notice just published in the Vista newspaper that's distributed here in Fairfield Glade.

I wouldn't be eligible to join your organization as I'm just a US Army E5 Vietnam vet, but I'm aware of opportunities of positions available for eligible retired officers to serve as JRROTC unit leaders in the Cumberland County school system.

I'm reaching out to you as you may know of some who like to serve again and get paid well to do so.

If you find someone who is interested, I suggest they contact Mr. William Stepp, Cumberland County Director of Schools, at 931-484-6135 for further information. Mr. Stepp has 21 years of service in the Tennessee Army National Guard and is a staunch and resolute advocate in getting JRROTC units established in each of our high schools. I happen to strongly agree with him and hope you'll be able to assist us in this effort.

I look forward to your reply.

*Best Regards,
John Patterson*

"POPPIN' SMOKE" – WHERE CAN YOUR MILITARY RETIREMENT BENEFITS TAKE YOU?

"Poppin' Smoke" is a fantastic resource for military travelers! Created by Stephanie, a former Army wife, it provides valuable information on military travel, including Space-A flights and military lodging. Let me break it down for you:

1. Space-A Flights (Military Hops): Space-A flights, also known as "MAC flights" (Military Airlift Command) or "military hops," are operational military flights that have extra seats. The primary mission of these flights is to transport military personnel and cargo. Space-A passengers are essentially treated as cargo, and their travel is subject to the availability of seats after the mission requirements are met. The great news is that there is no charge to fly Space-A, except for Patriot Express (PE) flights, where passengers must pay a small per-person tax.
2. Military Lodging: "Poppin' Smoke" also covers information about staying in military facilities worldwide. These facilities are often more affordable than civilian options and provide a sense of community for military travelers. Whether you're looking for lodging on base or at a military recreation area, Stephanie's blog offers insights and tips to make your stay comfortable and cost-effective.
3. Living Overseas: If you're stationed overseas or planning to move abroad, "Poppin' Smoke" has resources to help you navigate life in a new country. From understanding local customs to finding the best places to explore, Stephanie shares her experiences and knowledge to support military families living outside the United States.

If you're interested in learning more, check out the "Poppin' Smoke" website for detailed guides, tips, and updates tailored to military travelers like you! <https://www.poppin smoke.com/>



MOAA-UCC Supports TTU ROTC Golf Tournament

MOAA-UCC entered 2 teams in the annual TTU Golden Eagle Battalion Golf Tournament held at the White Plains Golf Course in Algood, TN. The teams were led by our illustrious Vice President Robert Martin and Board Member Cal Bagby. Board Member Bob Zastany sponsored the MOAA chapter tee box sign.



Memorial Day is on Monday, May 27, 2024

It was first observed on May 30, 1868, and for decades on that date after Gen. John A. Logan, the leader of the Grand Army of the Republic for Northern Civil War veterans, had called for a nationwide day of remembrance. The holiday was created to honor the many American men and women who died in military service. This focus on those who made the ultimate sacrifice sets it apart from Veterans’ Day, which honors all military veterans, living and dead. Memorial Day is always commemorated in the US on the last Monday in May. In 2024 Memorial Day is on Monday, May 27. The day was originally set aside to remember Union soldiers who died during the Civil War, but following World War I, its scope expanded to include those who died in any war or military action. At the end of the Civil War, many US cities held their own memorial observations for their hometown heroes. The idea for a specific holiday came in 1868 from Illinois Senator John Alexander Logan, a former Union general and keynote speaker at one early observation. Logan used his position as commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, a fraternal organization of Union soldiers, to issue a proclamation for a national “Decoration Day” to be observed on May 30 of that year by decorating the tombs of Union soldiers. Poppies are associated with those who died during wartime since World War I. In the US people wear the red poppy on Memorial Day to honor those who died trying to protect the country, according to The Department of Veterans Affairs. The red color is not a symbol of blood, death, or support for war. Instead, poppies were the only flowers that grew in war-torn battlefields. When the countryside’s were nothing but mud and devastation, poppy flowers sprouted and flourished.

QUILT OF VALOR PRESENTATION

Linda Hubbard invites MOAA members to attend a “Quilt of Valor” presentation for her husband, LTC Carl Hubbard, USAR, on Thursday, May 16th at 2:00 pm (please arrive between 1:30 and 2:00) at their home 44 Inwood Court, Fairfield Glade. Light refreshments will be served following the ceremony.

A promotional graphic for MOAA Insurance Plans. It features the MOAA logo (three vertical bars of increasing height) and the text "MOAA INSURANCE PLANS". Below this, the slogan "Standing with you at every stage." is written in a large, bold, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the phone number "1-800-247-2192" and the website "www.moainsurance.com/plans" are listed. A small number "100392" is visible in the bottom right corner.



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