



Officers Call



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Since March of this year, every edition of this newsletter has contained information, either in the President's Message or in a separate notice, that there are vacancies on our Executive Board and that new volunteers are needed to ensure the continuity of our chapter. The administrative work of our organization has been done by a relatively small group of people, which is undesirable in the short term and unsustainable in the long term. While many of us on the Board are willing to continue to serve in some capacity, additional volunteers are urgently needed to enable the chapter to continue the same levels of our charitable activities and social events.

Despite the many appeals for additional volunteers, we continue to have vacancies in key positions, and as time has passed the future of our organization has become increasingly uncertain and problematic. Accordingly, in addition to our other planned activities, we have scheduled a special membership meeting on Saturday, October 8 at 1:00 PM at TJ Chumps at 1100 E. Dayton-Yellow Springs Road in Fairborn. The restaurant's large private meeting room has been reserved, and those who wish to have lunch can do so. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the future of the Dayton Area Chapter and the various options available to us, given the current state of our Executive Board membership. We hope many of you can attend because we want to hear your thoughts, ideas, and desires for the organization. If you cannot attend but wish to provide some input, please contact me or any of the Board members listed at the end of the newsletter.

We have scheduled several activities in September. Traditionally (except for a two-year gap due to the pandemic), we have helped staff the information booth at the annual Air Force Marathon Expo, when runners pick up their race packets. That activity will be on September 15th. Additionally, we have a second event on September 10th at noon at TJ Chumps. Our Bob Emerson, DAC's Golf League Secretary, has agreed to give his presentation on estate planning and estate transitions. Bob has given this talk to other organizations, and it has been very welcome and well-received. Please plan on joining us for this event.

Finally, I encourage everyone to visit our website at www.daytonmoaa.weebly.com where you can find more information about our organization and functions, legislative issues, as well as our current and past newsletters. Also, MOAA National's website at www.moaa.org contains information concerning MOAA resources, member benefits, and current news/event of interest to the military community.

Tom Robisch
President

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL MONTH

A reminder that your membership is due for renewal during the month of August 2022 for all who pay their dues (i.e., \$15/year-regular and \$10/year-surviving spouse) annually. Please watch for your renewal mailing. In addition, we'd like to encourage all our members to submit a donation to support our key programs (i.e., Scholarship Fund (\$2,000), Fisher-Nightingale House (\$1,000), Marine Toys for Tots (\$1,000), USO (\$1,500) and Air Force Museum Foundation (\$375)). Any donation amount is sincerely appreciated and we strive to fully fund our key programs annually through our membership dues, outright donations, and monthly program proceeds/revenues. Thank you for your continued support of our Dayton Area Chapter (DAC) and the good work we do for our Wright-Patt and Air Force community.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

10 September	Estate Planning Presentation – 1200@TJ Chumps
14 September	Executive Board Mtg – 1200@TJ Chumps
15-17 September	Volunteer at Air Force Marathon Info Booth
8 October	DAC MOAA Future Discussion – 1300@TJ Chumps
12 October	Executive Board Mtg – 1200@TJ Chumps
16 October	DAC MOAA/JROTC Luncheon –

ANNUAL PICNIC

Our annual Picnic was held at the Pavilion behind Aley United Methodist Church 4143 Kemp Road in Beavercreek. A total of 28 people attended. An excellent food spread was provided by City Barbeque. Elections were held with Tom Robisch agreeing to serve a third term as President and Kurt Grafton and Dave Gothard also agreeing to continue to serve. There were no volunteers to fill either the Secretary or First VP positions.

AIR FORCE MARATHON

After a two year hiatus due to COVID, the Air Force Marathon will be held this year from 15-17 September. The 15th is called the Expo and it is where the runners sign in and pick up their runners packets. This year the Chapter will once again provide support for this community wide effort by assisting at the Information Booth. There are two shifts -1430-1700 and 1630 to 1915. We still need 2 people each shift to fulfill our commitment. If you can help please go to: <https://airforcemarathon.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=62603>; enter the password MOA22 and select one of the shifts. Then fill out the requested information to complete the registration. Registration ends 31 August so don't delay. Thanks for your support.

Additionally, there will be bleachers setup for veterans to watch the race. Past president Fred Pumroy will be once again be setting up the Chapter banner in a prominent position as spectators and racers pass by. The first group of runners will be going by around 0800 and the last around 1100. If you would like to be part of this effort, contact Fred at 937-878-7257 or flmapumroy@aol.com

DAC MOAA/JROTC LUNCHEON

In October the DAC will recognize the local High School JROTC programs by inviting some instructors and 2 or 3 cadets of their students to a luncheon. The noon luncheon will be at American Legion Post 598. The Post is located at 5700 Kentshire Dr., Kettering, OH 45440-4248.

The luncheon is free for the Instructors and cadets. Cost for DAC members is \$20 per person. All money collected will be given to the Post's Woman's Auxiliary to support their programs. The luncheon will be catered by the Post's Woman's Auxiliary. The luncheon will be a picnic like meal: chicken fried/baked with potato salad and a veggie. It will be a buffet like setting with perhaps some auxiliary members serving.

After the luncheon the program will consist of having Instructors take about 4-5 minutes to describe their cadet programs. That may be followed by the introduction of the few students to speak. The introduction might include mentioning their hometown or school, course of study, and their future plans.

DAC MOAA members should contact Col Michael Ondrasek USAF (ret.) NLT 11 October at michael.ondrasek@att.net or phone: (937) 429-9297, leave a message if there is no answer, giving names and phone contact information.

GOLF LEAGUE

We closed out our league play and all matches have been recorded. Amazingly, we had NO weather days. Our last league day was near perfect weather wise. After Labor Day we will close out the season with second half of a 2 week team tourney. On 29 August, the competition was a "Team Best Net Ball." On 12 September, the event will be a Team Scramble. On 13 September, we will have a luncheon at TJ Chumps Fairborn, to award prizes season and tournament, and season wrap-up business meeting to select officers.

FISHER HOUSE NOW RECEIVING SUPPLIES AGAIN

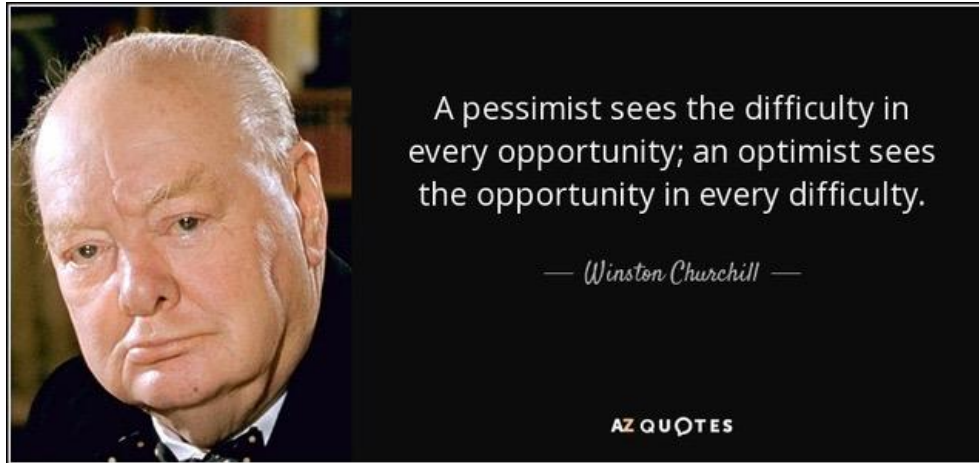


Thanks to all MOAA DAC members who have supported WPAFB Fisher Houses. The Fisher House program recognizes the special sacrifices of our men and women in uniform and the hardships of military service by meeting a humanitarian need beyond that is normally provided by the DoD and the VA

. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation by sending a check to Fisher Nightingale House 417 Schlatter Dr Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, OH 45433. To make a contribution by credit or debit card contact FNHI Director Chris Stanley at [\(937\) 672-8724](tel:9376728724). **With a lessening of restrictions. Fisher Houses can now accept deliveries of donated items; Bring your Fisher House gifts to our events and we'll deliver them for the chapter**

Wright-Patt Fisher House Wish List*

- » Individually wrapped snacks (cookies, crackers, candy, etc.)
- » Individually wrapped cereals
- » Variety of individually wrapped breakfast bars
- » Individually packaged small sugar packets
- » Variety of assorted chips, individual packaged
- » Keurig coffee (K-cups) variety
- » Small coffee creamers
- » Green tea, tea bags
- » A variety of individually packaged tea bags
- » Mac and cheese (individual cups)
- » Individual small containers of apple sauce
- » Individual containers of fruit cups
- » Individually packaged microwave popcorn
- » Assorted cookies
- » Paper towels
- » Toilet paper
- » Tissues
- » Clorox Wipes containers
- » Small containers of hand sanitizers from name brands (*so they can fit them in their purses, backpacks, etc.*)
- » Red plastic solo cups
- » Triple A batteries (packages)
- » Double A batteries (packages)
- » Trash bags – 13 gallon
- » Trash bags – 4 gallon
- » Disposable paper plates (packages)
- » Laundry detergent for guests (Free & Clear, Purex or Tide) and regular Tide Pods
- » Coffee cups
- » Dishwasher Tablets (Cascade)



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