

Dayton Area Chapter – Military Officers Association of America



Officers Call



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The Dayton Area Chapter (DAC) activity for June was a fun filled visit to the home of the Wright family at Hawthorn Hill. A total of 40 folks attended the information packed tour. After the tour some members had a social at the Carillon Brewing Pub near Carillon Park. Many thanks to Don Manor and Cynthia Ferguson for making the complex operation work so well. Another great afternoon in Dayton.

Do you enjoy being a member of the DAC and participating in its varied activities? **Do you want the DAC to continue as an organization? If yes, we need your help.** We have 3 openings on the Board of Directors this coming term. You can

become a member of the board if you can give up an hour to attend a Directors meeting at lunch time once a month. The Second Vice President is in charge of membership and spends an additional hour per month working the membership EXCEL spreadsheet and mailings. The same is true of the Financial Comptroller working the budget and expenditures spreadsheets. The First Vice President stands in for me when needed and also helps with an activity once or twice a year. Who will fill the vacancies? Is it you? If yes, contact me soonest. Let's not ask fewer board members to do more. That happened several years back and it led to a complete collapse of the DAC. You can help keep the DAC healthy and active by stepping forward.

Go to the DAC website and see the addition of pictures and articles regarding our ROTC and JROTC recognition programs. At the About Us tab click on ROTC/JROTC support link.

Look inside this newsletter at our upcoming programs. Most of them are family friendly....that is, we want you to take your children and/or grandchildren to the event. A visit to a museum, ball park, or historic site is a great way to bond with family.

Finally, I want to encourage everyone to visit our web site: www.daytonmoaa.weebly.com where you will find the current and past newsletters, legislative issues both locally and nationally, and much more. **For additional up-to-date information on national issues visit: <http://www.moaa.org/Content/Take-Action/Top-Issues/Top-Issues.aspx>**

Mike Ondrasek
President

AIRFORCE MARATHON SUPPORT

Once again our Chapter will be manning the Information Booth in Nutter Center on Thursday, 13 September. We'll go with the Marathon designated time slots (1045-1315; 1300-1615; 1600-1915) since they are about equal. However these are not locked in stone, if you want to come early for one slot and leave early all help is appreciated. All volunteers must register at https://volunteer.getmeregistered.com/events/open_opportunities.php?id=403. Once on the registration page, scroll down to Thursday and click on one of the Information Booth time periods listed. This will take you to the registration page to fill in your information. This is an excellent opportunity to support community and get

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some free publicity for the Chapter. Please contact me at 937-427-0590 or tcooney8@gmail.com to let him know what slot you prefer

PLAN AHEAD

Time to mark your calendars for an exciting list of events in the coming months; we hope that these events provide something of interest to each of our members.

Here is the upcoming calendar.

28 July	Dragons Baseball
19 August	Annual Picnic at Bass Lake
13-15 September	Air Force Marathon Support
20 October	Visit from MOAA Representative
17 November	Toys for Tots

Please contact one of the Board members listed on the last page of this newsletter with your suggestions for future events. Remember this is your organization and the Board wants to meet your needs.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

With the approach of summer, many of us look forward to enjoying more time outdoors. As you enjoy the nicer weather, please remember to protect your skin and eyes from the harmful UV rays of the sun. The CDC reports that skin cancer is the #1 cause of cancer in the U.S. Ways to decrease your risk include covering up (hat, long sleeves, sunglasses), staying in the shade, using a sunscreen with an SPF of at least 15 every two hours. With a little planning, you can enjoy the summer months safely!

DAYTON DRAGONS BASEBALL, Dayton vs. Lansing Lugnuts, Saturday 28 July @ 7pm:



Reserve your tickets now! We have 30 tickets and it's first come first served. Come and see the Dayton Dragons play the Lansing Lugnuts on Saturday, July 28th, @7:00pm. We are again fortunate to obtain tickets for an ideal location (Section 113); right behind the Dayton Dragons 3rd Base Dugout. The seats have overhead cover in case it rains.

Call or e-mail Denny Crouch at 937-426-6246 or email at denniscrouch@earthlink.net. If you call, leave your telephone number in case we need to reach you. The tickets are \$12.00 each. Please make reservations no later than 20 July. Send check payment to me (pay to: MOAA Dayton Area Chapter) at 3069 Ranchfield Drive, Beavercreek, OH 45432. Provide your address so that I can mail the tickets to you. If

timing dictates, I'll meet you at the Fifth/Third Field Main Gate Entrance. Everyone will receive a "Dayton Dragons Raffle Card" and one in our group will receive a special Dragons gift. See you at the game!

WSU VETERANS VOICES PROJECT

Wright State University is looking for Veterans from all services to tell their stories about their military careers and experiences for documentation. I did an interview today which was a little over an hour at their media center which was a professional environment. If you are interested in telling your story, contact the WSU Veterans Voices department at (937) 775-5550 or veteransvoices@Wright.edu. Point of Contact is Jeremy cell (937) 626-2478. We should all tell our stories or they will pass with us and never be heard.

MOAA DAYTON CHAPTER CONTINUES SUPPORT OF ROTC UNITS IN AREA

The Dayton Chapter is very proud of its relationships with the College ROTC units at Wright State University, the University of Dayton and Central State University. These four ROTC Detachments provide future leaders not only from the colleges stated, but also from Cedarville, Wittenberg, Wilberforce and Urbana Universities, for both the Air Force and Army. During April, MOAA members represented our chapter and attended four ROTC Awards Ceremonies



During these ceremonies, we provided forty-two graduating cadets their first set of 2/LT bars and a Certificate of Achievement. And for one Junior Cadet at each ROTC Detachment, we presented a MOAA Medal and Certificate for academic achievements and a high potential for military leadership. Thanks to Ray Gaier III, Denny Lammlein, Fred Pumroy and our ROTC Chair, Denny Crouch for their participation in the awards ceremonies.

OUR SUPPORT TO OUR FUTURE OFFICERS AND TEENS IN HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR ROTC;



We also support programs offered at many local high schools hosting a Junior ROTC program in our community. Currently, it's thirteen schools, located in Bellbrook, Dayton, Englewood, Fairborn, Greenville, Huber Heights, Lebanon, New Carlisle, Riverside, Springboro, and Springfield. Engaged in the many in-classroom and extra-curricular activities offered through their JROTC participation, some cadets are truly standouts as admirable young women and men. We get to honor a student yearly, by presenting a DAC MOAA Certificate of Recognition with ribbon and medal. These medals and ribbons may be worn in their issued JROTC uniform. If you would like more information or to participate in this effort, please contact Leslie Buerki

MOAA GOLF LEAGUE:

We had one rainout in July, but are now back on schedule. We will hold a USO Benefit Tournament on 6 August with a shotgun start beginning at 0845 briefing and teeing off at 0900. Proceeds will go to the local USO of Central and Southern Ohio. Giving right in our backyard will help those military members in our local area. We were able to generate about \$1,000 in our Tournament last year. Our current League leaders are:

- 1st Dennis Crouch and Fred Pumroy
- 2nd Ron Knipfer and Jack Kunz
- 3rd Bob Emerson and Chuck Sweet
- 4th Doug Hufnagle and Larry Simpson
- 4th Herb Edwards and John Eckhart

To find out more about our season you can find us on the web at daytonmoaagolf.mysite.com. Any MOAA member or spouse interested in good fellowship and golf should contact either Larry Pohl, 254-0913; Ed Mentzer, 426-8807; Pete Nelson, 426-2063; or John Eckhart, 426-1087.

FISHER HOUSE



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

The need continues for basic household items such as paper products, bottled water, plastic utensils, trash and zip lock bags as well as batteries, light bulbs and individual snack items. Please continue to bring these items to the monthly functions. They will be transported to the Fisher House by Board members.

WORDS TO PONDER

“The American soldier does not fight because he hates who is in front of him; he fights because he loves who is behind him.” – General George C. Patton

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