

Dayton Area Chapter – Military Officers Association of America



Officers Call



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The Dayton Area Chapter (DAC) activity for May was a visit to the Packard Museum. After the information packed tour 25 of the members had a social lunch at the Dublin Pub. It was a great afternoon in Dayton.

Your board of directors has come up with a plan to deal the problem of deficit spending. By decreasing the printing and mailing of the newsletter to most of the members we can save hundreds of dollars per month. We understand that not everyone has or uses email. So in the coming weeks every member will be notified via phone and/or mail to confirm their phone number, email address, and their preference for the newsletter delivery. We hope most of you will chose email because we will no longer be using a company to print and mail the newsletter.

I want to thank all the board members that presented awards to the high school JROTC winners and the 2nd Lt bars to the university ROTC graduates. By doing so we do 2 things: 1) we show the flag of MOAA support to the community and 2) we spread the word about the MOAA organization to the newly commissioned. Thanks to those that took the time to participate. [Visit the web site for pictures from both the ROTC and JROTC events.](#)

If you want to get involve with the AF Retiree Council at the National Level contact Dick Brubaker. Dick is the regional representative and he is ready to step down. He is looking for his replacement. This is an exciting and interesting opportunity. His contact info is on the last page of this newsletter.

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

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!

The Military Officers Association of America is an independent politically non-partisan organization operated to benefit members of the uniformed services, their families and survivors.

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.

16 June	Visit to Hawthorne Hill
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.

TOUR THE WRIGHT BROTHER'S FAMILY HOME AT HAWTHORN HILL in JUNE

Drive to Dayton's Family Friendly Carillon Historical Park at 1000 Carillon Blvd, (open 9:30AM – 5:00 PM), with your children and/or grandchildren on 16 June, to join MOAA for a day of historical fun. MOAA has arranged for up to 56 people (MOAA members with guests) to travel by bus from Carillon Park, to nearby Oakwood, OH, to tour The Wright Brother's Family Home HAWTHORN HILL, returning to Carillon Park 90 minutes later. The special price for MOAA members is \$12.00 per person for the Bus Round Trip to Hawthorn Hill. Adding \$3.00 per person, will allow each person to also explore the entire Carillon Historical Park and to see the original 1905 Wright Flyer III airplane; a total of \$15.00 per person. So, arrive early to tour the park, or arrive NLT 1:15 PM to pay for this event with cash or credit card, to Dayton History at The Welcome Desk in The Entrance Building. The Welcome Desk will have Dayton MOAA's Reservation List of our Member's and Guest's names, for recording both the monies paid and the bus departure time assigned to each member and their guest(s) once they have paid. Each bus will be assigned 14 people until all four bus loads are committed. Knowing on which bus you are scheduled, will allow you to decide if you wish to pay the extra \$3.00 to tour the park until your assigned bus leaves the parking lot for Hawthorn Hill. *Note: Dayton History Members should show their membership card at The Welcome Desk for a \$2.00 discount. The Schedule for each Carillon Park Bus departure for Hawthorn Hill is: 2:00PM, 2:15PM, 2:30PM, and 2:45PM. Multiple guides will enable two groups to simultaneously tour the home. Food is available during the day inside Carillon Park at Culp's Cafe, and outside the Park's gate at Carillon Brewing Co., where MOAA members and guests are invited to meet once the final Tour returns by 4:15 PM, to relax and order food and drink from their menu (website: www.carillonbrewingco.org). Food and drink is at each individual's expense.

Reservations for this special event must be made NLT 5PM Sunday, 3 June 2018, with Don Manor, [E-Mail: d.manor@sbcglobal.net](mailto:d.manor@sbcglobal.net) or by Phone: (937) 879-5464. Carillon Park needs two weeks advance notice to schedule the people for our special tour.

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. (Pictures not available for all units due to newsletter cut-off time)

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



We also support the citizenship program offered at many local high schools hosting an Army, AF, Navy or Marine Corps 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. Future units may include new JROTC programs in Beavercreek and in Xenia high schools. 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 are on schedule and full steam ahead. The first three matches were completed without any weather problems, unusual for us. Our League will hold a USO Benefit Tournament on 6 August this year 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 hope to generate about \$1,000 in our Tournament this year. Our current League leaders are:

- 1st Dennis Crouch and Fred Pumroy
- 2nd Bob Emerson and Chuck Sweet
- 3rd Ron Knipfer and Jack Kunz
- 4th Jim VerStreate and Ed Mentzer
- 5th Doug Hufnagle and Larry Simpson

If you enjoy camaraderie, competition and playing golf, please contact either Larry Pohl (254-0913), Ed Mentzer (426-8807), Pete Nelson (426-2063), or John Eckhart (426-1087). For the latest Golf League News go to our web site - daytonmoaagolf.mysite.com.

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

A Veteran is someone who at sometime in his or her life wrote a blank check payable to the "United States of America" for an amount up to and including their life.

Our flag does not fly because the wind moves it. I flies with the last breath of each soldier who died protecting it.

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