

## Dayton Area Chapter – Military Officers Association of America



# Officers Call



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**OCTOBER 2018**

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thanks to the 14 members that helped man the Air Force Marathon Information booth on the Thursday and Friday before the September 15<sup>th</sup> event. The picture on the left is just one of several shifts that was manned. On this, the first shift, we answered a wide range of questions. Yep, it was fun and we got to keep those great T shirts that you see. As I write this I am wearing mine. Thanks to Terry Cooney for setting up the registration



and the booth. The picture on the right is in Fairborn's Fly Zone on race day as your Chapter took part in the city's celebration. Yes, we cheered the runners on as they pasted the 9 mile mark. All was done with flags waving and applause. Thanks to Fred Pumroy for setting up the bleachers and getting the flags and blow up noise makers which were given to veterans and children.



Speaking of Fred Pumroy, did you know that he has been voted into The Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame as one of the 2018 Inductees? Induction of the 2018 Class of the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame will be held at the Radiant Life Church, 7100 Post Road, Dublin, Ohio 43016 on Thursday, November 8, 2018 with a 9 A.M. Continental Breakfast Reception. The Induction Ceremony will be at 10 A.M. You can get more information at: 614.644.0898, HallOfFame@dvs.ohio.gov, or OhioVets.gov.

At the October luncheon we will have a speaker from MOAA National. See inside for more information. And, as a heads up, on 17 November our annual Toys for Tots Luncheon when we will be visited by Marine Corps Representatives and the President of the Ohio Council of MOAA Chapters. Be sure to mark both dates on your calendars.

On 7 November at 2 PM the newly built Fisher House on the Dayton Veterans Medical Center campus will be officially dedicated. Your contributions made that happen. Chris is inviting all of you to come to the dedication.

Additionally, it is with great sadness that I inform you that LTC Ray Gaier passed away on Tuesday evening, September 11 at the age of 88. Ray was on your Board of Directors for many years as the Army representative. But, his legacy lives on as his son COL (ret.) Ray Gaier replaced his dad on the Board.

Finally, I want to encourage everyone to visit our web site: [www.daytonmoaa.weebly.com](http://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

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**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.

20 October	Visit from MOAA Representative
17 November	Toys for Tots
8 December	Christmas Dinner/Dance

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.

**OCTOBER LUNCHEON**

The 20 October Luncheon at the club will feature a Social Hour at noon and Dining at 12:30 PM. The Menu will be: An Italian buffet which will have Mixed Green Salad w/Assorted Salad Dressings, Italian Sausage & Peppers, Chicken Parmesan w/Linguine, Vegetable Lasagna, Orzo, and Green Beans w/ Artichokes & Tomatoes. Also there will be an honor bar with wine and beer before and with dinner. The cost is \$20 per person. RSVP by noon on 17 October to Mike Ondrasek at (937) 429-9297, or michael.ondrasek@att.net. We need names and if you are a club member (we get a small discount if you are).

We are honored to have COL (R) Terri Coles as our luncheon speaker. She will give us an update on the latest legislative issues that will affect us all. Terri joined MOAA National in 2012 and served as Deputy Director in the Career Transition Center before assuming her role as Senior Director in Council and Chapter Affairs. She is a native of Philadelphia and holds a Bachelor of Arts in communications from Villanova University and a Master of Arts in strategic studies from the Army War College Pennsylvania.

**4th ANNUAL MOAA GOLF TOURNAMENT FOR USO BENEFIT SUCCESSFUL**

The Dayton Area Chapter Golf League completed its 4<sup>th</sup> annual benefit for the benefit of the USO of Central and Southern Ohio. **The tournament raised \$1030 for the USO this year!! A great showing by the MOAA golfers.** Thanks for supporting the tournament and a specific call out to those folks that couldn't play but made their donations to the cause anyway. The real winners of this benefit are the active military and the many benefits provided to them by the USO in our area. Thanks guys and gals! And we appreciate the Board of Directors contributing \$200 to the event to help us meet our goal. A salute to all.

Prizes were given for individual and team performances. And the winners are!

Winning Place	Team Winners (Based on Net Scores)	Individual Winners
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	Bill Schaff/Dion Makris	Long Drive (men): Doug Hufnagle
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	Larry Pohl/Dick Liebsack	Long Drive (women): Liane Green
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	Doug Hufnagle/Larry Simpson	Closest to Pin: John Eckhart
		Long Putt: Ed Mentzer

We'll look forward to our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Tournament to benefit our USO as they continue to support our area military. We expect a representative of the USO of Central and Southern Ohio to be at the 22 September Golf League Banquet to receive our gift.

**MOAA GOLF LEAGUE:**

**Our League finished on schedule despite one weather postponement and a second one for** members to attend funeral services for one of our long time members, Herb Weatherhead. The season ended on 27 August after a volatile, tight race with exception of our leaders, the other teams repeatedly leap frogging one another for the other positions. The final standings are:

1<sup>st</sup> Bill Schaff and Dion Makris 122.5 pts

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob Emerson and Chuck Sweet 113.5 pts  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Fred Pumroy and Dennis Crouch 112.0 pts  
 4<sup>th</sup> Bob Eimer and Dan Dupree 111.5 pts  
 5<sup>th</sup> Doug Hufnagle and Larry Simpson 110.5 pts  
 6<sup>th</sup> Ron Knipfer and Jack Kunz 108.0 pts

Our last event was the League Scramble held on 27 August. Winners were:

Low Gross Score

- 1<sup>st</sup> Fred Pumroy and Dennis Crouch 34  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob Eimer and Dan Dupree 35  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Chuck Sweet and Bob Rawls 35

Low Net Score

- 1<sup>st</sup> Chuck Hanks and David Lee 24  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Dick Liebsack and Larry Pohl 25  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Doug Hufnagle and Larry Simpson 27

Annual Awards Banquet: Our Banquet was held on 22 September in the Club Fireside Room where Mrs. C. D. Moore, Co-chair of the WPAFB USO, was presented with a check for \$1,030.00 generated from our USO Benefit Golf Tournament. About twenty-five members and guests also enjoyed the Saturday night dinner by our Annual Business Meeting, Election of Officers, and the presentation of awards and prizes. There were enough door prizes of one free annual dues for 2019, bottles of wine, books, certificates for rounds of golf with cart, and flower center pieces so that all members present received at least one prize.

Election of Officers: John Eckhart, who has served as Secretary since 2002, will be replaced by Doug Hufnagle. The Executive Board for 2019 will be: Larry Pohl - President, Ed Mentzer - Vice President, Doug Hufnagle - Secretary, and Pete Nelson - Treasurer.

The 2019 Season, depending on number of teams, will begin on 22 April with our organizational meeting and first matches on 29 April. Any MOAA member or spouse interested in good fellowship and golf for our 2019 competition should contact either Larry Pohl, 254-0913; Ed Mentzer, 426-8807; Pete Nelson, 426-2063; or Doug Hufnagle, 212-3248

To find out more about our future season you can find us on the web at [daytonmoaagolf.mysite.com](http://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.

### **FISHER HOUSE NEEDS LISTI**

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| Dishwasher Detergent                 | Paper Napkins                         |
| Individually Packaged Soups,<br>etc. | Individual Packages-Creamer           |
| HE Laundry Detergent                 | Toilet Paper                          |
| Lemonade or Iced Tea Drink<br>Mix    | Individual Packages-Sugar,<br>Splenda |
|                                      | Tall Kitchen Trash Bags               |

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1 & 2 Gallon Zip Lock Bags  
 4 Gallon Trash Bags  
 Current DVDs- Family Type  
 Individual bottles of water  
 AA, AAA, & C Batteries  
 Plastic Utensils (forks, spoons)  
 Light Bulbs-40, 60 & 75 watt  
 Plastic Utensils (cups, bowls)

Individual Travel Size Shampoos  
 Paper Gift -All Sizes  
 Styrofoam/Plastic Cups  
 Styrofoam/Plastic Cups  
 Individual Package Snack Items  
 Styrofoam/Plastic Bowl

**2018 TRICARE RETIREE DENTAL PLAN (TRDP) CHANGES**

The TRDP will end on 31 December. Starting on 1 January 2019 the TRDP will be replaced with the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP). FEDVIP offers a choice of 10 dental carriers including Delta Dental. If you are currently enrolled in TRDP, you **will not** automatically be enrolled in FEDVIP. You must select a FEDVIP plan to continue your benefits. Enrollment begins on 12 November and ends on 10 December.

**WORDS TO PONDER**

“We must be willing to get rid of the life we planned, so as to have the life that is waiting for us” – Joseph Campbell

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