



Officers Call



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HAPPY NEW YEAR

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Initially, I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. I hope the months ahead bring only good times and happiness for all of you.

Our December event was quite interesting. We had a guided tour of the WACO Air Museum in Troy, Ohio. The museum is on the former site of the WACO Aircraft Company, which was the largest manufacturer of civil aircraft in the United States almost a century ago. It is operated by the WACO Historical Society, which strives to keep the memory of the WACO company alive while also operating an Aviation Learning Center that offers outreach programs to encourage students concerning science, technology, engineering, and math.

We learned about the individuals who formed the company and their achievements. Specifically, during the biplane era, every new WACO model flew faster, was more maneuverable, and had greater range than its predecessors. In 1935, WACO was invited by the French government to participate in the International Air Games in Paris with its most recent model that featured a then-new taper wing design. The WACO aircraft was named the overall winner of the event due to its aerobatic capability and high speed. This plane, pictured at the right, and other vintage models are on display at the museum.



Our next activity will be on 15 January at noon at Basil's on Market in Beavercreek at 2729 Fairfield Commons Blvd. In addition to being able to enjoy fine food and drink, we will have a representative from the Dayton Dragons to speak on matters involving the team and the upcoming season. It should be noted that the current major league baseball lockout does not affect minor league operations. In other words, regardless of what happens with major league owners and players, there will be baseball at Day Air Ballpark this coming summer. Please RSVP to Terry Cooney at tcooney8@twc.com or 937-427-0590 if you wish to attend.

Finally, our next Surviving Spouse Luncheon will be on 10 January (a Monday) at noon at the Dublin Pub, 300 Wayne Avenue in Dayton. The spouses have received separate invitations, but anyone who wants to attend is welcome. Please RSVP with me at trobisch63@gmail.com or 757-327-1388.

Finally, I encourage everyone to visit our website at www.daytonmoaa.weebly.com where you can find 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

PLAN AHEAD

January 10	Surviving Spouses Luncheon 1200 @ Dublin Pub
January 15	Lunch at Basils at the Mall 1200. Speaker from the Dayton Dragons
April 2	WSU Theater – Sweet Charity 2pm
July (Date TBD)	Dayton Dragons Outing

DAC MOAA 2022 SCHOLARSHIP

Instructions for how high school seniors may apply for the Dayton Area Chapter's \$2,000 scholarship will be released to 36 schools in our area in early January. To be eligible, applicants must have a parent eligible for membership in MOAA (i.e., parent must be an active duty, Reserve, National guard, retired, or former officer) or be children of active duty, Reserve, National Guard, or retired enlisted personnel. Applications must be received by 15 April 2022, and the winner will be chosen by our Scholarship Evaluation Committee prior to our annual meeting/picnic this summer. Please keep our scholarship program in mind with respect to your charitable donations. Any questions should be directed to Tom Robisch at trobisch63@gmail.com or 757-327-1388.

OHIO COUNCIL OF CHAPTERS CONVENTION

The Central Ohio Chapter is hosting the State Council's biennial convention from 13 – 15 May 2022. It will be held at the Quest Conference Center at 9200 Worthington Road in Westerville, Ohio, a northern suburb of Columbus. A block of rooms at the nearby Fairfield Inn & Suites is reserved for convention attendees. A shuttle service will be available for travel between these sites.

The only event on 13 May (a Friday) will be an informal social gathering at the hotel, and the only event on 15 May will be the second quarterly meeting of the State Council Executive Board. The activities on 14 May will be the primary focus for convention attendees. The convention organizers are still working on the schedule, but invited speakers include Lt Gen Dana Atkins, USAF (Ret), MOAA's President and CEO; LTG Michael Ferriter, USA (Ret), the President and CEO of the National Veterans Memorial and Museum in Columbus; MG Deborah Ashenhurst, USA (Ret), Director of the Ohio Dept. of Veterans' Services; MG John Harris, Ohio Army Nat. Gd., Adjutant General of Ohio; and Dr. Christopher Gelpi of the Ohio State University, Director of the Mershon Center for International Security Studies. Assuming that most of these invitees confirm their participation, the presentations at the convention promise to be interesting and thought-provoking.

Please consider attending this event. The Central Ohio Chapter has set up a web page at <https://www.moaa-centralohio.org/moaa-ohio-state-convention/>, through which one can book a room at the hotel and register at the convention.

JANUARY LUCHEON – THE DAYTON DRAGONS A LOCAL SUCCESS STORY



Tom Nichols

The Dragons are a significant fixture in the Dayton Community. Mr. Tom Nichols and Carl Hertzberg have done much in making the Dragons a success. Come and listen to Tom and Carl tell us about the Dragons, its development, what programs it provides, and its importance to the community.

Tom, the Director of Media Relations and Broadcasting, will be in his 14th season with the Dragons and 34th year as a broadcaster in Minor League



Carl Hertzberg

Baseball. He serves as the voice of the Dragons on WONE AM 980 and handles play-by-play on the Dragons live television broadcasts.

Carl is the Director of Group Sales. He was born in Cincinnati and raised in Atlanta, GA. Prior to starting with the Dragons in 2013, Carl interned with the Univ. of Georgia Club Hockey team, The Atlanta Motor Speedway, and the Lehigh Valley IronPigs. He received his undergraduate degree from Miami Univ., and his master's from The Univ. of Georgia.

Join us for an enjoyable and educational look into the Dragons. With the WPAFB Club still unavailable, we will be meeting and enjoying lunch at "Basil's on Market," at 2729 Fairfield Commons Blvd, Beaver Creek in the Fairfield Shopping Center, just off North Fairfield. **RSVP to Terry Cooney at tcooney8@twc.com or 937-427-0590 no later than 13 January.** Space is limited so reserve your spot

early. If you leave a voice mail, leave your names and phone number.

UPDATE ON THE 2018 MOAA DAC SCHOLARSHIP WINNER.



Quinn Retzlaff was the 2018 MOAA DAC scholarship winner. The picture on the left was taken in 2018 when, with his parents, Quinn accepted the DAC scholarship check. We recently learned that Quinn graduated early from Notre Dame University and has been accepted into medical school. His studies will begin in upcoming 2022 term. Quinn's plans after graduation from medical school are to help those in need in third world countries. It should be noted that while



studying at the University he not only excelled in his studies grade wise, but was also a student leader. On the right is a more recent picture of Quinn. The DAC should be proud that we supported his education.

MOAA GOLF LEAGUE

On December 21, we had the shortest day of the year! That means days are getting longer and the sun is moving north. Of course, we are still 4 months away from starting the MOAA Golf League. But we are always looking for more players (men & women) and subs. Players must be MOAA members and members of the local MOAA Chapter. The league normally starts in late April or early May & runs until September. Play is 9 holes on the East course at Prairie Trace. We play on Monday mornings with tee times starting at 0900. We do not play on holidays (Memorial Day, July 4th & Labor Day). If you need any additional information about the league, please call Larry Pohl (937-477-5645) or Bob Emerson (937-545-4610). Come out for fellowship & exercise. Check us out!

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

The COVID impact this year has been hard on the finances of the organization but they have never closed their doors. 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; however, please call the House in advance to make delivery arrangements.

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, individually 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)

WORDS TO PONDER

Eschew the tyranny of the easily offended.- Anon

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