Dayton Area Chapter – Military Officers Association of America

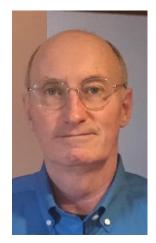


Officers Call



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We have two very important activities scheduled in October, and I hope all of you will consider joining us for these events.

The first event is a general membership meeting at TJ Chumps, 1100 E. Dayton-Yellow Springs Road in Fairborn, at 1:00 PM on Saturday, October 8th. The purpose of this message is existential to our chapter, i.e., we plan on discussing the future of our organization. As you probably know, from the appeals for board volunteers that have appeared in this newsletter for many months, there are vacancies on our Executive Board and new volunteers are needed to ensure the continuity of our chapter. The administrative work of our organization has been performed by a relatively small group of people, which is undesirable in the short term and unsustainable in the long term. Additional volunteers in key positions are urgently needed to enable the chapter to continue

the same levels of our charitable activities and social events.

Options for our future include continuing as we have been doing, reducing the number of our activities to decrease the workload on our few active board members, becoming a satellite organization to a neighboring chapter (this is possible, but requires the concurrence of the host chapter), or shutting down our chapter. The first possibility listed above – continuing as before – does not address our systemic personnel problems and merely kicks consideration of our issues down the road for some brief period. In other words, without additional volunteers, we will, sooner or later, face undesirable choices.

I hope many of you can attend this meeting because your thoughts, ideas, and desires for the organization are precisely what we want to address.

Our second activity in October will be from 12:00 – 2:00 PM on October 16th at American Legion Post 598, 5700 Kentshire Drive in Kettering. This will be a luncheon, hosted by the Post's Auxiliary, and the program will honor several of the Junior ROTC programs in our area that we support. We have invited JROTC members and their schools' faculty instructors as guests, and we will learn of their activities in school and their engagement in their communities. This is an excellent opportunity to learn how JROTC programs instill leadership and citizenship values in their students. Additional information concerning this activity is available in this newsletter in the detailed announcement for this event, which also includes information concerning making reservations. Please join us for this event, which promises to show us the best of our younger generation.

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

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concerning MOAA resources, member benefits, and current news/event of interest to the military community.

Tom Robisch

President

Dayton Area Chapter

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

8 October DAC MOAA Future Discussion – 1300@TJ Chumps

12 October Executive Board Mtg – 1200@TJ Chumps

16 October DAC MOAA/JROTC Luncheon –

LUNCHEON HONORING LOCAL JROTC PROGRAMS

In October the DAC normally recognizes the local ROTC units by inviting the instructors and 2 or 3 of their cadet students to a luncheon. We will do that this year for JROTC instructors and students.

The noon luncheon will be at American Legion Post 598. The Post is located at 5700 Kentshire Dr., Kettering, OH 45440-4248. The luncheon will begin with the pledge of allegiance and the saying of grace.

The luncheon is free for the guest 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. Seating will be at tables as we had for luncheons at the WPAFB club. As in the past, we will ask that the guest instructors and cadets to sit among the DAC member tables.

After the luncheon the program will consist of having some instructors and cadets take a minute or two to describe their programs.

For attendance at the JROTC luncheon contact Col Michael Ondrasek USAF (ret.) NLT 11 October 2022. This can be done via email at michael.ondrasek@att.net or phone: (937) 429-9297, leave a message if there is no answer, giving names and phone contact information. Because we will be passing the cost of the luncheon onto the Woman's Auxiliary please pay for your luncheon in cash. A final note: The DAC will be collecting items for the Fisher House at this luncheon. The list of items that you can donate is included in the monthly newsletter. The list is quite wide ranging: from individually wrapped snacks (cookies, crackers, candy, etc.), and cereals to paper towels, toilet paper, tissues, and Clorox Wipes.

GOLF LEAGUE

We ended our season on, Sept. 12, 2022, with another beautiful season of no weather cancels.

The season ending "Awards Luncheon" was held on Tuesday, 13 September, at TJ Chumps in their meeting room

We were able to start the meeting with a presentation of our USO Donation (\$1,587) the proceeds of the 8th Annual USO Tournament to Director Eric Oberg.

League results

- 1 Mitchel & Emerson
- 2 Ellis & Eimer
- 3 DeJongh & Gale
- 4 Crouch & Pumroy
- 5 White & Zalewski

Tournament Results

- **1** Myers/Kunz
- 2 Ellis/Eimer
- 3 Pohl/Liebsack

Most Improved Golfer

Bob Emerson



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. 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

Purex or Tide and regular Tide Pods

- » Coffee cups
- » Dishwasher Tablets (Cascade)

WORDS TO PONDER

GOLF LEAGUE PRESIDENT

GOLF LEAGUE SECRETARY

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"A lie doesn't become truth, a wrong doesn't become right and evil doesn't become good just because it is accepted by the majority." – Rick Warren

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