



Officers' Call

Newsletter of the Lake & Sumter Counties Chapter
Military Officers Association of America
October 2024



Presidents Message

LTC Don Hansen, USA (Ret), Chapter President

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Our last monthly chapter luncheon meeting for 2024 will be Wednesday, October 9th and it should be a good one. We will have Complex Warden Shannon D. Withers giving us a presentation on the Coleman Federal Correctional Complex (FCC) and since most people in the area, much less in Florida, are unaware that it is the largest prison complex in the United States, his talk should be extremely interesting. As a Federal Prosecutor here in the Middle District of Florida, several hundred defendants that I prosecuted were sent to Coleman and I am still invited to their Quarterly Community Relations Board meetings as a retiree.

Our September speaker was Dr. Frank Jenista and his talk on the War in Ukraine and it's ramifications on how future wars may be fought was, in my opinion, very enlightening.

Our caterer last month was Live Fire Chefs of Ocala and Chef Patrick did an outstanding job with his Chicken Piccata meal presentation. We will be seeing more of him in the future.



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OUR NEXT MEETING

**Wednesday
Oct 9th
11:30 a.m.**

Location
Eisenhower Recreation Center
3560 Buena Vista Blvd
Wildwood, FL 34785



OUR MEAL

Our luncheon meal will be Pulled Pork, Pulled Chicken, their famous Mac & Cheese, Cole Slaw, Corn Bread and Sliders (buns).

COST

Meals are **\$20.00/person** if you **register and pay** online. Meals are **\$20/person** following the deadline and **\$20/person** if you pay at the door.

RSVP

**No Later Than, 10:30
a.m. on Friday
Oct 4th**

[Click Here](#)

or contact Tim or Annette Balliett at tabal-liett46@gmail.com or 352-728-2945.



Check out the Florida Department of Veteran Affairs for Florida Veteran Legislation.

Presidents Message Continued

Our caterer this month will be Mission BBQ and our meal will include Pulled Pork, Pulled Chicken, their famous Mac & Cheese, Cole Slaw, Corn Bread and Sliders (buns).

Last month it was my honor to present two of our members with the National MOAA Outstanding Service Award. The first awardee was LTC Luke Emerson, USA (Ret.), our "Officer's Call" Newsletter Editor. Luke has faithfully edited our newsletter for over five years now and done an outstanding job.



Our second presentation was to LTC Robert (Bob) Bienvenue, USA (Ret.), our Federal Legislative Liaison. Bob was nominated for the MOAA National Outstanding Legislative Liaison Award but was not selected this year. However, National MOAA did award Bob with the Outstanding Service Award. Bob certainly deserves both.



Also at our September meeting our long serving Chaplain, LTC Herbert (Herb) Siegel, USA (Ret.), gave his last prayer to our gathering as he is moving from The Villages to be closer to his daughter. Be sure to read his last column in this newsletter. His successor will be Major Daryl DesJardin, USAF (Ret.), and his first Column follows Herb's.



Presidents Message Continued

Lastly, September was a “Hard to Swallow” month for our chapter as we lost two fantastic and supportive members. On September 5th we lost LCDR Rick Woolf, USN (Former). Rick was our Personal Affairs Chairman and was involved with numerous chapter projects. He was interred at the Florida National Cemetery near Bushnell on September 27th. His last column was in last month’s September 2024 newsletter.



On Sunday, September 22, we lost LTC Jim Goulette, USA (Ret.). Jim was one of our stalwarts on our MOAA Golf Committee bringing in many items for our Silent Auction. Both men will be sorely missed and I ask you all to keep Paula Wolf and Eileen Goulette and their families in your thoughts and prayers.



Well that’s all for now and I look forward to seeing you at our October 9th meeting. Before I sign off however, please remember: **NEVER STOP SERVING!**

Membership and Recruiting

COL Al Arnold, USA (Ret), Membership Chairman



A **heartly welcome** to the following members who recently joined/rejoined our Chapter:

George Borlase, CWO4, USCG, retired
John Nichols, Maj, USMC, retired
Michael Waite, COL, USA/MO NG, retired

We currently have 300 Chapter members. All 300 are also members of National MOAA as well as listed in the Florida Council of Chapters database.

You might think discussing **2025 Chapter renewal** is a bit early. But as you know, we will only have 2 monthly meetings prior to January 1st, this month and our November JROTC dinner. Hence, I'm starting. You can renew your membership for all of 2025 now for only \$20/\$10 for regular membership/surviving spouse. It's very easy to do, either by mail or online. You can do it **by mail** by printing/using the application at the end of this newsletter, include a check payable to MOAA and mailing to: MOAA, PO Box 666, Lady Lake, FL 32158. Or you can do it **easily online** and pay via PayPal or by credit card at the following address: http://www.lakesumtermoaa.org/member_registration.cfm, then click "Renew Membership" and follow the subsequent prompts. I'll be sending out a personal email shortly. If you need assistance, please ask. **My goal is to obtain 100% Chapter membership renewal prior to 1 January 2025.**

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Chapter Awards



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Membership and Recruiting (Continued)

COL Al Arnold, USA (Ret), Membership Chairman

As many of you know, I also volunteer at the Central Florida Military Retiree Activity Office (MRAO) located at the Lake County Sheriff's Annex just north of highway 441 near Spanish Springs. If you have a few hours to spare, and would like to be part of a very worthwhile organization, we could use your help. We provide information to military retirees and their spouses about who to contact, locations, and how to get answers about ID card renewals, survivor benefit programs, pay issues, and what to do in case of death of the retiree or his/her spouse. The office is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon. As a retiree or former officer, you are well suited to know how to "work the system" and get folks answers. If you're interested in helping out, please contact Ed Mayfield, Capt, USAF, retired at 352-348-9730 or rw.edmayfield@gmail.com.

Many folks have asked about the monthly luncheon registration process and post-registration emails. Here goes. Our monthly luncheons are always the second Wednesday of the month. RSVPs are NOW due NLT 10:30 am the **Wednesday** prior to the luncheon. As discussed on the front page of this newsletter, you can register two ways: online or by contacting Tim or Annette Balliett at taballiett46@gmail.com or 352 728-2945.

If you register online and use PayPal or a credit card, you will receive 3 emails:

First from your MOAA Chapter saying you ordered lunch tickets

Second from PayPal saying you paid

Third from your MOAA Chapter confirming receipt of PayPal funds

Chaplain's Prayer

LTC Herbert Siegel, USA (Ret), Chaplain

LORD GOD, WE THANK YOU FOR THE FOOD AND FRIENDSHIP WE SHARE TODAY. THE FOOD WHICH NOURISHES OUR BODIES IS YOUR GIFT TO US. IT COMES TO US THROUGH THE LABOR OF OUR FARMERS WHO BRING YOUR BOUNTY FORTH FROM THE EARTH. WE THANK YOU FOR THE FRIENDSHIPS THAT ARE OUR GIFT TO EACH OTHER. THEY ARE THE FOOD FOR OUR SOULS THAT SUSTAIN OUR SPIRITS. BE WITH THE FAMILIES OF THOSE WHO LOST LOVE ONES ON THE DAY OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2001. BE WITH THOSE WHO RESPONDED TO THIS ATTACK AND WHO ALSO PERISHED AND THE SURVIVORS WHO ARE STILL SUFFERING.

LORD, WE ASK FOR YOUR BESSING FOR THE WIFE AND FAMILY OF OUR COMPANION RICK WOOLLF WHO PASSED AWAY LAST WEEK. WE ALSO ASK YOU TO BE WITH THE WIFE AND FAMILIES OF JIM GOULETTE AND CHUCK ANDREAN WHO ARE EXTREMELY ILL AND NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

LORD, GOD ALSO BE WITH OUR COLLEAGUES IN FAR AWAY ON LONELY POSTS ON LAND, IN THE AIR, AND THOSE ON AND UNDER THE SEA. BE WITH THEM NOW AND ALWAYS. LORD, HOLD THEM IN YOUR LOVING HANDS. PROTECT THEM AS THEY PROTECT US. BLESS THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES FOR THE NOBLE ACTS THEY PERFORM FOR US IN OUR TIME OF NEED.

WE ASK ALL THIS IN YOUR NAME AS YOUR HUMBLE SERVANTS.

SO, BE IT AND WE SAY AMEN

Chaplain's Prayer (Continued)

LTC Herbert Siegel, USA (Ret), Chaplain

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MOAA:

I HAVE RECENTLY MOVED FROM THE VILLAGES TO HERNANDO FL IN CITRUS COUNTY. IT IS OVER AN HOUR DRIVE AND CAN NOT DO THAT ANY LONGER. IT IS THEREFOR WITH SADNESS THAT I MUST RESIGN MY POSITION AS POST CHAPLAIN. I HAS BEEN AN HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO HAVE SERVED AS YOUR CHAPLAIN AND TO OPEN EACH MEETING WITH WHAT I HOPED HAS BE AN INSPIRATIONAL PRAYER HIGHLIGHTING THE EVENTS OF THE MONTH. I WILL ALWAYS BE A MEMBER OF THIS POST ALONG WITH MY DAUGHTER AND HAVE ON FILE 10 YERS OF PRAYERS THAT I HAVE GIVEN AND STAND BY TO HELP ANYONE WHO TAKES MY PLACE. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THIS HONOR.

THERE IS A MOAA POST NEAR WHERE I LIVE AN WILL ALSO JOIN IT. I ALSO MUST THANK YOU, AS A FORMER JROTC INSTRUCTOR, FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE JROTC PROGRAMS. THANK YOU AGAIN AND MY GOD PROTECT AND BLESS YOU.

Chaplain's Prayer (Continued)

Maj Daryl DesJardin, USAF (Ret), Chaplain

As your new MOAA Chapter Chaplain, I will focus on a word every month in the newsletter; this month, it's LEGACY. It's been said: What you leave as a legacy is not what is etched in stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others."

As I reflect on LTC Herbert Seigel, my predecessor's incredible twelve years as your chaplain, I'm humbled and recognize I'm standing on the shoulder of a giant, a man who spent a lifetime discovering opportunities to serve and stepping into those roles. A man of Jewish faith who recognized the importance of interfaith prayer during MOAA gatherings and an invested Army field grade officer who fearlessly took the reigns of a failing ROTC program in the Bronx to becoming one of the premier ROTC organizations in the Army. One of his graduates was truly his legacy, his daughter, Sandra. After his Army retirement, he started the Junior ROTC at Miami Killian Senior High School where he remained for 15 successful years, assisting many cadets to obtain scholarships and academy appointments. These students, some promoting to O6 in various military branches and at least one general officer are also a part of his legacy.



What will your legacy be? How would you like to be remembered? What impact do you want to make?

What are some lessons to consider concerning our legacies? 1. Maybe, regardless of age, there is always someone we can mentor. What do we know that we can share? 2. Adapt and overcome: find new ways to contribute and above all 3. Let love shine. Leave a lasting impact through kindness, compassion and generosity.

Yours in service,

Daryl DesJardin

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Legislative Update

Bob Bienvenue, Lt Col, USAF (Ret), Legislative Liaison

MOAA Legislative Update:

<http://www.moaa.org/takeaction/?tab=Legislative-Action-Center#Legislative-Action-Center>



MOAA's Advocacy in Action Campaign— Status Update



A Chaotic Return from the 6 Week Congressional Summer Recess

The priority business on Congress's agenda when they returned on September 10th was to work on keeping the government open by passing a budget for FY 2025. Let's see what has happened --

HR 9468 Veterans Benefits Continuity and Accountability Supplemental Appropriations Act, passed the House on Sept 17 by **voice vote so no record of individual votes was made**. The Senate also passed it by **Voice Vote** so again there is no record of individual votes. It has since been signed into law by President Biden.



This bill provided funding to address a request from the VA, submitted back in July, for an additional \$2.9 billion to cover mandatory payouts supporting veterans' pensions and benefits for the remaining months of the current fiscal year, ending September 30.

The VA also asked for an additional \$12 billion in funding to address shortages projected for increased medical services to be included in their FY 2015 appropriations. That was to be considered in the work up for the FY 2025 Continuing Resolution.

H.R. 9494: Continuing Appropriations and Other Matters Act, 2025 was brought to the House floor for debate and vote on September 17th. This bill would have extended temporary government funding past 30 Sept 2024 until March of 2025 and included a measure aiming to require proof of citizenship to vote.

In advance of the vote Speaker Johnson was being criticized from all sides on his move to bring it to the floor:

Hardline conservatives were opposed to the use of a stopgap funding bill,

Defense hawks were concerned about the impact the six-month measure would have on the Pentagon, and

Moderates were worried about the threat of a shutdown so close to the election.

The bill failed passage 202 – 220 with 14 republicans voting against the Speaker for one or more of the reasons above.

On Sunday, September 22nd, House GOP leaders **unveiled a new plan** which was the result of bipartisan negotiations in the House and Senate, to keep the government funded at current levels through Dec. 20. Speaker Johnson has scheduled the second vote to avoid a government shutdown for September 25th.

House Republicans will almost certainly need help from Democrats to pass this new version of the CR. Many GOP lawmakers are expected to oppose the bill because of the lack of spending cuts and exclusion of the voting bill, which hard-line conservatives and Trump pushed to be part of the final product.

Despite pressure from Democrats, this version of the CR also fails to address what the Department of Veterans Affairs warned back in July would be a potential \$12 billion shortfall facing the agency for fiscal 2025, beyond the funding called for in HR 9468. **See the last sentence in the paragraph above on**

HR 9468

Legislative Update (Continued)

Bob Bienvenue, Lt Col, USAF (Ret), Legislative Liaison

The Biden Administration announced on September 24th that it supports the passage of the newest short-term funding measure that would keep the government open until Dec. 20, saying:

[it will give] ...give the Congress more time to complete full-year funding bills later this year that deliver for America's national defense, veterans, seniors, children, and working families, and address urgent needs for the American people, including for communities recovering from disaster."

The House cleared this Bill on September 25th which funds the government at current levels until Dec. 20th. The vote was 341-82, with support from 209 Democrats and 132 Republicans. All 82 "no" votes came from Republicans. The Senate passed it the same evening on a vote of 78-18, and now it has been signed by the President. *This is **the seventh time in the past year** that Democrats have provided the majority support in the House to pass government funding legislation.*

The three-month stopgap sets the stage for another potential "shutdown showdown" in December, during the lame-duck period, when lawmakers will again have to cobble together a spending bill to keep the lights on in Washington past the new deadline.

What to Watch for Next:

Congress will be in recess again at the end of September and will not be back in session until Nov 12th, a week after the Nov. 5 election, to deal with finishing the funding and appropriations bills for FY2025.

And What About the Future for the NDAA

MOAA has outlined the Quality-of-Life provisions in the House version of the NDAA that are the result of our ongoing Advocacy Campaign going back to April [MOAA - MOAA Makes a Difference: Recapping Our Summer Advocacy Campaign](#)

Senate leadership has agreed that rather than finalizing their own version (that was released by the Senate Armed Service Committee as S 4638), they are assembling a manager's package of amendments that both sides agree would become part of the Senate's substitute NDAA.

Instead of a formal Joint Conference between House and Senate negotiators to reconcile the differences, lawmakers will instead informally iron out differences between that Senate Armed Services Committee bill with the manager's package included, and the House-passed measure (HR 8070). Those bicameral talks, and predicted final action on the bicameral NDAA would be during the lame duck session to be convened on November 12th.

State Legislative Update

William Wojciechowski, Col, USAF (Ret), State Legislative Liaison



STATE LEGISLATIVE REPORT

There is no change from the September report because, as a result of the upcoming General Election, newly elected and incumbent legislators will not be seated until January 2025, and will undergo an orientation and receive committee assignments. The legislative session will not begin until March 2025. We expect that most of the bills affecting veterans and military retirees that languished in committee during the past session will again find sponsors and appear for consideration. These include waiving of driver license and renewal fees for disabled veterans, discounted property taxes and an increase in the property tax exemption for disabled veterans, to name just a few.

Florida Commerce Launches Spousal License Reciprocity Matrix to Support Military Spouses Relocating to Florida

Tallahassee, FL—Today, FloridaCommerce launched the Spousal License Reciprocity Matrix, a one-stop reference source for helping military spouses transfer, renew, or reissue professional licenses they need for work after relocating to Florida. Find the Spousal License Reciprocity Matrix.

Florida is the most military—and veteran-friendly state in the nation. FloridaCommerce recognizes the important role military spouses and family members play in the overall success and well-being of these families and the military missions they support and is committed to helping simplify relocation to the Sunshine State. This undertaking was initiated by and funded through the Florida Defense Support Commission.

“Transferring, renewing, or reissuing professional licenses and certifications after a move to another state can be a difficult, complicated and burdensome process,” **said Florida Secretary of Commerce J. Alex Kelly**. “Under the leadership of Governor DeSantis Florida continues to be the most veteran and military-friendly state in the nation, this tool will maximize the ease and efficiency of licensure portability for military spouses and families.”

"As a proud advocate for our military families, I am thrilled to see the launch of the Spousal License Reciprocity Matrix. This tool will provide much-needed support to military spouses, ensuring that their professional careers continue seamlessly as they transition to Florida. By reducing the obstacles they face, we are not only empowering these individuals but also strengthening the fabric of our communities and supporting the vital missions of our armed forces," **said Senator Tom Wright, Chairman, Florida Defense Support Commission**.

“FloridaCommerce’s Spousal License Reciprocity Matrix will help military families expedite their transition to Florida — cutting down barriers so they can focus on the move, getting to work and supporting their loved ones,” **said Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation Secretary Melanie S. Griffin**. “Thanks to Governor DeSantis’ business friendly policies, Florida is the best state in the nation to be a licensed professional

State Legislative Update (Continued)

William Wojciechowski, Col, USAF (Ret), State Legislative Liaison

and DBRP is proud to welcome military families to join our more than 1.7 million DBPR licensees.”

“Military spouses face challenges re-entering the workforce in a new city when their service-member spouse changes duty station or is separating from the service,” **said Joe Marino, Executive Director of Veterans Florida**. “The success of a family's transition requires access for tools to assist them, ensuring their skills and experience are transferable to new careers. The Spousal License Reciprocity Matrix will help smooth the transition toward meaningful employment that matches their skills and passion. The leadership of Gov. DeSantis and FloridaCommerce continues to find ways to serve our veterans, keeping Florida the best state in the nation for veterans to work and live.”

“Florida is the State of choice for providing earned services and benefits for our Veterans and their families,” **said retired Marine Corps Major General James S. Hartsell, Executive Director of the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs**. “Connecting the spouses of our active Military and Veteran community with vital license and certification information is another great step that keeps Florida the most Veteran friendly and sought after state in the Nation.”

“CareerSource Florida is proud to support this effort, furthering Florida's leadership as the most military-friendly state in the nation,” **said Adrienne Johnston, President and CEO of CareerSource Florida**. “This new Spousal License Reciprocity Matrix will provide invaluable assistance to military spouses as they transition into Florida's workforce, ensuring they can continue their careers with minimal disruption. By streamlining the process for transferring professional licenses, we are helping these dedicated individuals contribute their skills and expertise to our state's economy, while also strengthening the support system for our military families.”

This one-stop reference is searchable, sortable, and alphabetically lists more than 320 Florida licenses and certifications, contact information for the respective licensing agencies, and notes regarding applicable Florida statutes, interstate compacts, reciprocity eligibility requirements, fee waivers, and more.

Other available resources for veterans, military spouses, and families:

[Military Family Employment Advocacy Program](#) – Delivers priority workforce services to active-duty military spouses and family members through Military Family Employment Advocates located in local career centers throughout Florida.

[CareerSource Florida Network Career Centers](#) – Disabled Veterans Outreach Program (DVOP) Specialists and Local Veterans Employment Representatives (LVER) are available at Florida's career centers to provide priority workforce services to veterans.

[Employ Florida Vets](#) – This program helps with creating a compelling resume, job searching, applying for jobs, and more through Florida's labor market exchange system, Employ Florida.

[Continue the Mission](#) – An innovative partnership to actively recruit veterans, military

State Legislative Update (Continued)

William Wojciechowski, Col, USAF (Ret), State Legislative Liaison

spouses, and former law enforcement officers who still have a desire to serve their communities. Career opportunities include child protective investigators, adult protective investigators, case managers, and mentors for the professionals who are filling these positions.

Women Veterans – A program through the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs that connects the state's female veterans to the Rolodex of state and federal resources.

Education Opportunities – Veterans Affairs education benefits help Veterans, service members, and their qualified family members with needs like paying college tuition, finding the right school or training program, and getting career counseling. Veterans can also apply for and manage the training benefits that they've earned during their service.

Military Veterans Certification Pathway – Through the Florida Department of Education, talented veterans can obtain a 5-year temporary teaching certificate for qualified candidates who have not yet earned their bachelor's degree. Veterans who successfully obtain their 5-year temporary teaching certificate will be assigned a mentor teacher for a minimum of two years to support their classroom teaching endeavors. This pathway helps veterans begin a career in Florida's top-ranked education system while bringing unique value to school district

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

MOAA's status as a tax-exempt veterans organization precludes it from participating in political activities, which are defined as intervening directly or indirectly in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. We all need to be particularly attentive to this *non-partisanship restriction* during this very active political campaign season, when we are wearing our MOAA hat either individually or on behalf of our Chapters.

MOAA is a registered **lobbyist** with Congress. This legal designation pertains to the nature of communications with elected officials and staff. Maybe a better term to describe their effort is **advocacy**:

the association does play an active role in the field of military personnel matters and especially proposed legislation affecting the career force, the retired community, and veterans of the uniformed services and advocates for a strong national defense it does not, as an association, become involved in matters pertaining to military strategy or individual weapons systems of the various services. The association believes that such decisions can be made only by those who have all of the facts available to them: today's actively serving military leadership.

MOAA has been recognized for the past 16 years by **The Hill News** as a TOP Lobbying Organization based on its effective advocacy on the issues defined in its governing documents and resolutions, presenting and supporting legislative proposals that provide for the fair and equitable treatment of members of the Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, military retirees, family members, survivors, and veterans as defined in its federal Charter in 36 USC, chapter 1404.

The Editorial Policy of this Newsletter is consistent with the discussion above.

Surviving Spouses Corner

Catherine Stevens, Surviving Spouse Liaison

We have been very fortunate to have Catherine (Cathie) Stevens agree to serve as our Surviving Spouse Liaison. She will now be a full member of our Board of Directors and both Pam Fillmon and Dr. Angel Kelly-Shelby have stated they will be glad to try and answer any of her questions as she settles into the position. Hopefully we will hear from her in our newsletter from time to time. Cathie's husband was Lt. Col. Dale A. Stevens, USAF (Ret.). Dale was a Life Member of MOAA and Cathie is also a Life Member. Please welcome her into our chapter family when you see her at our meetings. Thank You Cathie and Welcome!



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Today's Date: ___/___/___

Membership is open to those who have served duty as a commissioned or warrant officer in any of the seven uniformed services of the USA, and who are members of national MOAA. Chapter membership is separate from national membership and carries its own dues. Members age 90 and over become Chapter Life Members with no dues.

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