

The Volusia Officers Call

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MOAA's Mission

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is a nonprofit veterans' association dedicated to maintaining a strong national defense and ensuring our nation keeps its commitments to currently serving, retired, and former members of the uniformed services and their families and survivors. Membership is open to those who hold or have ever held a warrant or commission in any component of the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, or NOAA and their surviving spouses.

President's Perspective—

This past May you remember I was installed as your new President, and I immediately recognized that I have a large pair of shoes to fill after the wonderful job President Raul Gonzalez did throughout the 2023-2024 year. I recognize that this position requires the support of all our members and the Board. As your President I will do everything I can to continue the fine work the Chapter has done in the past. Shortly after being installed, the Chapter hosted the 2024 FCOC Convention in South Daytona Beach. Thanks to Pete Durnell, Raul Gonzalez and Suzanne Bonner, and so many other members, the event was a major success

This past summer we experienced some changes to our membership. CPT Suzanne Bonner has accepted a GS position with the 25th Infantry Division, at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii. This past July and August we lost two of our long-standing members. Capt Marshall Vance. Many of you may not have known him. He and his wife Dottie helped with the table donations at the beginning of each meeting. Marshall will be interred Dec 10, 1:30 PM at Bushnell National Cemetery. CAPT Henry "Hank" Leonard Clay III passed away peacefully on August 8, 2024, CAPT Clay will be buried at 10:30 am at Oakdale Cemetery, Deland, November 25th, with a Celebration of Life at 1:00pm, American Legion Post 6. Please keep his wife Karen in your thoughts and prayers. Our Treasurer, Maj Peter Durnell, will provide a complete financial report during the September meeting. I am sad to say that Pete will be leaving us sometime in September/October to join his family in England. I am looking for someone to volunteer to be the new Treasurer. I understand from Pete that he has made the bookkeeping remarkably simple.

I am excited to be your President, and I look forward to another enjoyable year as we continue to be active in our community of veterans.

LTC Laura Wickett, USA, RET President

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MOAA Take Action Center -

http://takeaction.moaa.org

Legislative -

Legislators will be in their home states for the next month providing a unique opportunity for personal outreach.

Your participation amplifies our collective voice in shaping policies that support out nation's servicemembers past and present, and their families. Thank you for your continued dedication to MOAA's mission.

For more detailed information regarding MOAA's legislative priorities go to MOAA website https://www.moaa.gov.

Do Your Part—Be an Advocate—Take Action Now!

LTC Michael Galaty Jr, USA, RET Legislative



Credit Cards now accepted—

Credit cards are now accepted for our luncheons. The meal cost using a credit card is \$25. The additional one dollar is to pay the servicing company that processes the credit cards. The meal cost if paying by cash or check is still \$24.

Last Meeting (1 MAY 2024) -

President MAJ Raul Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 1144 hours.

Attendance: 28

CH LtCol Chris Hoffmann gave the invocation followed by The Pledge of Allegiance.

MAJ Gonzalez welcomed our members and guests: LTC Lorraine Holland, USA (Ret) FCOC Area VP, Ms. Pat Green, MOAA National Surviving Spouse Liaison; MAJ Gonzalez announced we have a new member MAJ Mike York.

Lunch was served: Salmon, Rice, Broccoli, and Apple Cobbler with Ice cream

MAJ Gonzalez asked Maj Curt Voelbel that the 50/50 drawings be done at this time. Then the members' free lunch drawing.

LtCol Twila Davis won the free lunch for the 4 SEP 2024 meeting/luncheon.

MAJ Gonzalez asked for a motion to elect LTC Michael Magee to the Chapter's 1st VP position. A motion was made by LtCol Twila Davis and seconded by LTC Laura Wickett that LTC Michael Magee be elected as the Chapter's 1st VP. Motion carried.

MAJ Gonzalez introduced LTC Lorraine Holland, FCOC Area VP and Installing Officer for the Chapter's Installation of Officers. LTC Holland thanked MAJ Raul and Frances Gonzalez for all their hard work and contributions they make to the WVMC.

LTC Holland installed the following officers for WVMC 2024-2025: LTC Laura Wickett-President, LTC Michael Magee-1st VP, MAJ Raul Gonzalez-2nd VP, LtCol Twila Davis-Secretary, Maj Pete Durnell-Treasurer, Maj Curt Voelbel- Director, COL Jack Burtnett-Director, MAJ Shirley Burtnett-Director.
LTC Holland announced the following appointees: LtCol Chris Hoffmann-Chaplain, Maj Curt Voelbel-Chief of Staff and

Membership Chair, LTC Mike Galaty- Legislative Chair, Ms. Lisa Hightower-Surviving Spouse Liaison, COL Jack Burtnett-Newsletter Editor, MAJ Raul Gonzalez-Webmaster, LtCol Twila Davis-Personal Affairs, CW04 Thomas Jackson-Community Relations Chair, and Immediate Past President- MAJ Raul Gonzalez. LTC Holland congratulated the officers and

LTC Holland congratulated the officers and presented the gavel to LTC Laura Wickett.

LTC Wickett presented Mrs. Frances Gonzalez and Mrs. Aurora Voelbel with Certificates of Appreciation for all the things they do to support the Chapter.

LTC Wickett asked if there were any corrections to the 3 April 2024 Luncheon Meeting Minutes as posted in the VOC. Motion to approve the minutes as posted in the VOC was made by MAJ Raul Gonzalez and seconded by Maj Curt Voelbel. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

LTC Wickett stated our Chapter is hosting the FCoC Conference 12-15 May 2024 at the Shores Resort and Spa 2637 S. Atlantic Ave, Daytona Beach, FL. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Maj Pete Durnell. The committee will be meeting with the printer this week.

LTC Wickett asked MAJ Gonzalez to announce the Memorial Day services the WVMC will participate in on May 27, 2024: Deltona Memorial Gardens, 1295 Saxon Blvd, Orange City at 1000 hours. Need 2 volunteers to present/post flags; Deltona Veterans Museum, 1921 Evard Ave, Deltona at 1400 hours. Need 2 volunteers. LTC Wickett announced there is a Memorial Day event in the Veterans Pavilion in Bill Dreggors Park, 230 North Stone St, DeLand on May 29, 2024 at 0900 hours.

NEW BUSINESS:

LTC Wickett announced there are no luncheon meetings in June, July or August. The Executive Board will meet: 8 May 2024 1000 hours and 14August 2024 at 1000 hours.

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LTC Wickett stated the Chapter will plan a Christmas Party and an Operaton Camaraderie/ Spring Fling. Ideas for these events are welcomed.

LTC Wickett called for reports: Secretary's Report: LtCol Twila Davis-nothing to report

Treasurer's Report: Maj Pete Durnell reported the checking account balance as of 1 May 2024 is \$ 4,535.01 and \$ 3200.72 in savings. The total earmarked for the ROTC Scholarships is \$ 3293.00 and \$500.00 for Barracks of Hope. Treasurers report is given for informational purpose and is subject to audit. LTC Wickett asked Maj Durnell to explain the use of credit cards with the Square device. Maj Durnell explained how the device works and there is a processing fee of 3 % which is passed on to the member using the card.

Directors and Committee Reports: 1st VP LTC Michael Magee-nothing to report.

2nd VP- MAJ Raul Gonzalez - nothing to report.

Director-COL Jack Burtnett - nothing to report.

Director -Maj Curt Voelbel- nothing to report.

Director -MAJ Shirley Burtnett - nothing to report.

Scholarship Chair - Vacant.

LTC Laura Wickett stated we received one ROTC Scholarship application packet. The applicant is a dependent of a retired Coast Guard officer and has an excellent resume and academic record. A motion was made by LtCol Twila Davis and seconded by COL Jack Burtnett that we give the scholarship applicant a \$2000.00 scholarship. Motion carried.

LTC Laura Wickett mentioned that Scholarship Chair is a currently vacant. Then she asked if anyone would be willing to serve in that capacity. MAJ Pam Ring indicated she was interested and that she would talk to Laura before making the commitment.

LTC Mike Galaty -Legislative Chair -stated MOAA representatives met with legislators in April. He also mentioned that he ordered 2 medallions from the VA to honor family members who were veterans. Medallions are for eligible Veterans and service members who are buried in a private cemetery marked with a privately purchased headstone or marker. More information is available at www.va.gov "Veterans headstones, markers and medallions."

Maj Curt Voelbel – Chief of Staff and Membership Chair – reported we have 55 current members. Our goal is 58. Keep recruiting. Business cards with Maj Voelbel's contact information are available for members to use as a recruiting tool.

CW4 Thomas Jackson- excused.

CH LtCol Chris Hoffmann- Chaplain- talked about Saint Joseph-the patron saint of workers. He was a carpenter who worked quietly and diligently providing for the needs of his family, the family of God and the church.

LTC Michael Magee-Speaker Coordinatornothing to report.

COL Jack Burtnett - Editor - the next VOC will come out in August 2024.

Ms. Lisa Hightower – Surviving Spouse Liaison –nothing to report.

LtCol Twila Davis- Personal Affairs- reported she sent a sympathy card to Maj Mick Cotten's family; a card to Capt Marshall and Dottie Vance; and a get-well card to LTC Laura Wickett.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MAJ Burtnett announced 4-5 May 2024 is Volusia Valor Day, Honoring Heroes at Volusia

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Membership -

Welcome back to the start of our new meeting year. As usual, that means we will be collecting your \$35 dues for the new year at our September Luncheon/Meeting. You may pay with Cash, Check, or Credit Card. You may also call our Treasurer, Pete Durnell at 321-443-6264 with a Credit Card payment or mail him a check at 319 E. Victoria Hills Blvd., DeLand, FL 32724. Let's try to take care of this obligation within the month of September so future reminders are unnecessary, thanks.

Have you invited anyone to the first luncheon of our new year on Sep 4th yet? We hope to see them there! Our motto is Never Stop Serving and I would add, Never Stop Recruiting. Much like all successful actions, it takes being consistently intentional but also interesting and passionate about why you are a member of National MOAA and our local West Volusia Chapter. Having effective phrases in your hip pocket can make a difference in your efforts. Try these: "We not only advocate for military benefits but have been successful in mitigating the erosion of benefits that were promised and deserved/earned", "We enjoy comraderie with a purpose", "We help our local Homeless Vets", and "We provide JRROTC scholarships to our local High Schools", "You have the opportunity to apply your career skills and expertise as a working Board member", and finally, "You and your spouse can make new friends". Help us reach our goal of having 58 members of which we are currently a few short. We have accomplished this in prior years, let's make it happen again. Happy hunting!

If you are not a current dues paying member of MOAA National, we encourage you to join by going to the MOAA Website - https://www.moaa.org/content/join-moaa/why-join-moaa/ Information on Premium and Life membership is described. When on the website, scroll down to join.

Maj Curt Voelbel, USAF, RET Membership

From the Chief of Staff -

Remember to stop by the table at our luncheon to purchase a bunch of potential winning 50-50 tickets @ 3 for a dollar.

Sample Tee Shirts and Hat with our local chapter Logo will be on display for you to purchase or order. Pricing TBD.

Your Board has decided to support Barracks of Hope in Daytona. They provide transitional housing for up to 9 months to male and female veterans who have struggled with homelessness, addiction, and mental health. Single occupancy rooms are provided, along with mental health counseling, case management, and three meals per day. Please bring to each luncheon "Hygiene Bags" filled with Toothpaste, Brush, Shampoo, Soap, Deodorant, etc. in a plastic Zip bag.

Additionally, we will collect unexpired Pantry items for The West Volusia Salvation Army.

At our luncheon, cash donations may be dropped in the buckets at the door for Veteran's Causes and JR ROTC Scholarships.

Maj Curt Voelbel, USAF, RET Chief of Staff

Member Responsibility for Luncheons

We have been having a problem and need your help. People have been committing to come to the WVMC luncheon and not showing up. When we order the meals based on the number of people who have said they are coming, we must pay for them whether everyone shows up or not. Five people who committed did not show up for the January luncheon. The Items to Note on the last page of the VOC has been carrying the following message, "People making reservations for the luncheon/meeting are expected to pay unless they cancel their reservation before the Friday prior to the luncheon." We cannot continue to absorb these losses. We expect those who have committed to showing up to pay for their meals.

If there is a legitimate reason, please notify Maj Curt Voelbel at LgtCurt@gmail.com or call him at 386 479-3400, ASAP. If he has time to cancel the reservation, he will; if not, he will bring the situation to the Board of Directors for disposition.

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County Fairgrounds. More information available at ww2armor.org.

Maj Curt Voelbel stated they are still looking for Silent Auction items for the FCOC Conference. See Ms. Lisa Hightower or Ms. Karen Clay.

LTC Lorraine Holland asked Ms. Pat Green to explain the MOAA Travel Insurance. Ms. Green explained the MOAA TripAssure -emergency assistance while traveling plan. She used this coverage recently and it was very easy and provided full coverage for transportation home. It is not Trip protection or medical coverage. She also informed members that for those with Medicare and TriCare For Life that Medicare does not cover medical needs overseas but TriCare does after the Tricare CAP. See www.MOAA.org for more information.

LTC Wickett announced the event: Holly Hill Veteran's Memorial and Dedication Ceremony, 8 May 2024 1800-1900 hours, 1065 Ridgewood Ave, Holly Hill.

Executive Board Meeting will be held on 8 MAY 2024, 1000 hours at the DeBary Country Club. Members are welcome to attend.

Our next luncheon meeting will be 4 SEP 2024 1100 hours at the DeBary Country Club.

The members stood and closed the meeting by singing "God Bless America".

Meeting adjourned at 1300 hours.

LtCol Twila Davis, USAF, RET Secretary

There is a change coming to our WVMC website—expect it soon.

Guest Speaker's Bio—

Krystal Parker is a former executive for a Fortune 200 publicly traded oil and gas company. She has over 25 years of experience in organizational management, leading hundreds of employees to provide J.D. Powers,



award-winning customer service to more than 2.1 million customers across the U.S. A former college dropout, Parker advanced her education at Harvard Business School for senior executive leaders focusing on innovation, globalization, and leadership diversity. She earned an undergrad in psychology and a master's in marketing.

As a certified DISC behavioral specialist, trainer, speaker, and coach, Parker opened a boutique consulting company, Intent & Impact, to help companies increase profit, reduce turnover, and enhance employee engagement.

A best-selling author and professor, Krystal teaches graduate and undergraduate-level courses. She is the president of the U.S. Christian Chamber of Commerce, a member of the board of directors for Missionary Ventures International, Founder Collective and Central Florida Christian Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Advisory Board for Alpha Kingdom Capital.

Krystal considers herself a marketplace missionary with a strategic focus on citywide transformation. She is committed to seeing faith in action in the marketplace and believes that to reach the world, you must reach the city. Krystal is a devoted follower of Jesus Christ, a wife and a mother.

Obituary for Hank Clay—

Henry "Hank" Leonard Clay III passed away peacefully on August 8,2024 at the age of 82. On June 13, 1942, in Huntington, West Virginia, he was born to Henry L. Clay Jr. and Elizabeth Harshbarger Clay. In 1952, Hank's family moved to DeLand, Florida, where he spent his formative years.



A proud graduate of DeLand High School, Hank went on to attend the University of Florida and Stetson University. In the spring of 1964, Hank followed a calling to serve his country by entering the Naval Aviation Cadet program. By July 1965, he was commissioned and designated as a Naval Aviator, beginning a distinguished military career that would span over two decades.

In 1965, Hank married his first wife, Mary E. Sanks, with whom he raised two daughters, Yvonne and Laura. Hank was a devoted husband and father, always finding time to be involved in his daughters' lives despite his demanding career. He coached them in softball, volleyball, and basketball, instilling in them the values of teamwork, perseverance, and sportsmanship.

In 1989, Hank married Karen. With Karen, Hank gained two stepsons, Jeff and Scott.

Hank's service to the nation took him on numerous deployments and assignments, reflecting his deep sense of duty and honor. His early military career included an assignment to HC-2 at Naval Air Station, Lakehurst, NJ, with deployments on the USS Saratoga (1966) and USS Forrestal (1967, 1968). His commitment to excellence led him to Naval Air Station, Key West, FL, in December 1968, and then to the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, CA, where he earned a Master of Science in Financial Management in 1970. In 1972, Hank joined the Light Airborne Multi-Purpose System (LAMPS) community at HSL-30 in Lakehurst, NJ, eventually becoming Officer-in-Charge of Helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron. Following the squadron's move to Norfolk, VA, in 1973, Hank led Detachment Four during its first SH-2F extended deployment aboard the USS W.S. Sims, showcasing his leadership and dedication to the mission. His career continued to ascend as he served as Air AWS Officer with the staff of Commander Cruiser Destroyer Group 8 in 1977. In 1979, Hank became the Executive Officer of HSL-34 and later the Commanding Officer, where his leadership was instrumental in shaping the squadron's success. He also served as the Air Boss on the USS Nassau, ensuring the safety and effectiveness of flight operations during a critical period. In 1987, Hank returned to Monterey, CA, where he served as the Comptroller at the Naval Postgraduate School, managing the institution's financial operations with the same meticulous care he brought to every role in the 26 years of his Navy career.

After retiring from the Navy, Hank moved back to DeLand, FL, where he continued his passion for aviation by flying for ComAir, Delta Connection until his official retirement in 2002.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Hank was a man of many passions. He loved music and was a gifted singer, lending his voice to the church choir for many years. His faith was a central part of his life, and he took great joy in teaching adult Sunday School classes, where he shared his insights and inspired others in their spiritual journeys.

In addition, he was a member of the West Volusia Military Officers Association and a member of the American Legion Post 6. He was dedicated to maintaining his health through cycling and road racing, often participating in events that challenged him both physically and mentally. His commitment to recreational motor home camping was an inspiration to those around him.

Hank is survived by his beloved wife Karen, his daughters Yvonne and Laura, his stepsons Jeff (Gina) and Scott (Heidi), his nephews, Sean and Collin (Dawn) Lapides, and his grandchildren, Olivia, Kip, & Connor.

He will be forever remembered for his kindness, wisdom, and the deep love he had for his family and community. A very special thank you is extended to the staff at Brookdale DeLand and Vitas Hospice for the care and love they showed Hank during his time of residency.

A service will be held at Oakdale Cemetery in DeLand, FL at a later time. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Military Association ROTC Scholarship Fund in honor of Hank's lifelong commitment to service. That address is WVMC, % T. Davis, 3355 Tesoro Cir., New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168 Allen Summerhill in charge.

The service will be held on November 25, 2024 at 10:30 am at Oakdale Cemetery, Section H, DeLand.

The Chaplain's Corner -

My parents are 86 years old. I am fortunate to have them still with me. They live just a mile from me and I see them regularly. My mother has dementia. It has progressed to the point where my father, who had been Mom's only caregiver, is no longer able to take care of mom. Dad and I talked and realized now is the time to have her go to a memory care facility where she can get the all that she needs and be safe.

Making tough decisions for a loved one

I believe that is one of the hardest decisions a family has to make. Most of us have grown up with the notion that we would never want our loved one in a nursing home. We will find a way to take care of them at home or with home healthcare. What I have come to see while that is a noble goal, it may not be realistic for many families. Often memory care centers can be that help to making the rest of Mom's days better. They can make sure she gets the proper diet, medical care as needed, and stimulation to help her have a quality of life that supports what Dad and I can do. I know Dad was concerned that he might not be there if Mom fell or needed something.

Now Dad can be Mom's husband again and enjoy her company without having to check on her if she brushed her teeth, took her medication, or so many other things that sometimes made their relationship more tense. It would be a shame if the last thing Dad heard from Mom was how mean he was to her.

I have also come to learn from sharing with parishioners that we are not alone in having to make this decision. In my parish I have heard many accounts of people with loved ones they could no longer care for at home by themselves. When the decision was made to seek help, they found it and knew it was the right decision.

As we live longer we get to experience things that our grandparents probably would never have been able to do. The flipside of that is we also have seen the mental and physical impairment that happens with aging.

If you have a loved one who has memory loss, seek out professionals to give you advice. There are options available to you.

LtCol Chris Hoffmann, USAF, RET Chaplain

(bio on page 6).

The next meeting, 4 SEP, will be held at the DeBary Country Club, 300 Plantation Club Drive, DeBary, FL 32713. The meal will be salmon with a citrus cream sauce and served with two sides. There will also be a dessert. The lunch cost is \$24 per meal if paid by cash or check; \$25 if paid with a credit card. We ask that if paid with cash exact change helps. This month the guest speaker will be Karen Parker,

Please bring your unexpired pantry items for the Salvation Army and your donation of toiletries for Barracks of Hope.

President of U.S. Christian Chamber of Commerce

REMEMBER, YOU DON'T HAVE TO EAT A MEAL TO ATTEND THE MEETING.

Upcoming Meeting: 4 SEP 2024 Following Meeting: 2 OCT 2024

Upcoming Board Meeting: 11 SEP 2024

Meetings are held at the DeBary Country Club, 300 Plantation Club Drive, DeBary, FL 32713. Social hour starts at 1100 hrs., lunch served at 1130 followed by an interesting guest speaker, then a short business meeting.

PHOTOS -



New President, LTC Laura Wickett Takes over as President, WVMC



FY 2025 WVMC **elected** board members are sworn in: Shirley Burtnett, Director; Curt Volbel, Director; Jack Burtnett, Director; Pete Durnell, Treasurer; Twila Divis, Secretary; Raul Gonzalez, Past President; Michael Magee, 1st Vice President; Laura Wickett, President. Swearing in is being done by FCoC area VP, Lorraine Holland.



WVMC presents a check for \$1000 to the Barracks Of Hope in Daytona Beach. From the left: Laura Wickett, Twila Davis, Tom Jackson, Brandy Conaway, Buck James, Raul Gonzalez, Pete Durnell Michael Galaty.



The Volusia Officers Call

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Items to Note -

Free Meals

Those attendees who win a free lunch from the "ticket drawing" will only be able to claim their free lunch at the NEXT meeting.

If you are receiving this via U.S. Postal delivery and if you have email, we can get the VOC to you more quickly and at less expense to WVMC. Please let the editor know your email by contacting him at volusiaofficerscall@gmail.com

First Dues Notice - -

Members are reminded that dues are now due for the year 2023-24. The dues are \$35. Please get a check or MO to Treasurer Pete Durnell as soon as practicable. Pete's address is Peter Durnell, 319 E Victoria Trails Blvd, DeLand, FL 32724. Check out **OUR** website at www.moaafl.org/ Chapters/VolusiaMOAA It has a lot of information and links to useful information for all vets. The website gives guidance about how prospective members can join MOAA and WVMC.

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New name tags reflecting the name change for our organization are available from LTC Laura Wickett at the monthly meetings or by contacting her at: lrwickett52@gmail.com. *The cost is* \$15.

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