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MOAACC September 2024 Luncheon

Guest Speaker: RADM Wayne Justice, USCG, Ret.



Utopia of the Seas latest new ship



RADM Justice (center) was presented with MOAACC challenge coin, by Ist Vice President Stephen Cusick (left), President Rick kniseley (right).

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PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Rick Kniseley, Colonel, USAF (Ret), President, MOAACC



"It's the 9th Inning..."

As I write this column it is now October and November 5th is just about here. Whether it is on TV, radio, podcast, political signs, bumper stickers you can't miss the fact elections for President, Senate, Congress, State, Commissioner, Circuit and County Judges, not to mention City elections are about to be decided.

I am so proud that MOAACC sponsored the Congressional Candidate Forum and invited Tim Bobanic, Supervisor of Elections to speak to TMBC. The questions asked showed just how important elections are for our Country.

I get my hair cut at a barbershop which reminds me of "Floyd's Barbershop" on the old Andy Griffith show. While waiting to get their hair cut customers express their opinions on everything including the elections this time of year. I listen what the differing opinions are of the customers. I appreciate that although they may not agree with each other. They usually don't. They listen to each other. The thing which got to me the most was when "Barney" (yes Barney) said, "We're in the 9th inning leading to Nov 5th. I can't wait for the decisions." Everybody agreed.

When you are reading this column check the dates:

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If you have questions, the official Government Website is: <https://www.votebrevard.gov/>. It has all the answers to your questions. Everyone's vote counts.

EXECUTIVE EDITOR & PAO

Amir M.Pishdad, CW3, USA (Ret)



After watching the 2024 Summer Olympic games from Paris, I decided to tune in and watch the Paralympic games. I was quite impressed with the extreme dedication of all the athletes.

The games, which ran August 28 through September 8, 2024, marked the first time it was held in Paris. It featured 592 USA athletes from 46 of our 50 states. Some of the 22 events included archery, wheelchair basketball and rugby, swimming, powerlifting, track & field, shooting, badminton, sitting volleyball and blind football. The United States finished third overall with a total of 105 medals. The breakdown included 36 gold, 42 silver and 27 bronze medals.

Cross Bow archer Jason Tabansky, USA Army veteran, who defeated the top ranked individual archer by hitting the bullseye with his last arrow, summed up his gold winning achievement: "it is not about gold; it is about sacrificing hard work to salute my flag honoring the team USA."



Paralmpics Archer, Jason Tabansky, Gold Medalist

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Situation NORMAL: Stalemate

After a long summer Congressional recess of campaigning, Members of Congress returned to Washington to get back to the business of Appropriating funding for running the government in FY2025. With the House under Republican control and Speaker Mike Johnson's leadership, House Republicans have the first shot at formulating the budget. The new fiscal year begins on 1 October, and the government must be funded or else it must shut down, a prospect few House Republicans want to face considering the elections looming in November. If a government shutdown occurs, Republicans fear they will be blamed by voters and consequently lose their seats, not to mention the majority and the Speakership. Of course, all three centers of power—the presidency, the Senate, and the House—are up for grabs in November, given how evenly divided politically the nation seems to be.

One option to avoid a government shutdown while delaying the passage of the annual spending bills is to resort to a Continuing Resolution (CR) which seems a likely prospect. Speaker Johnson floated the idea for a \$1.6 Trillion CR out through March 28 to get past the prospect of him facing re-election as Speaker (assuming the Republicans retain the House majority) during the interlude between the upcoming November elections and when the new Congress is sworn in in January 2025. This proposal was accompanied by the continuing demand by some Republicans for election integrity by requiring proof of US citizenship when registering to vote, much like such proof is required to sign up for Social Security or Medicare. Democrats vehemently oppose this arguing it would stifle their voter registration efforts. Speaker Johnson runs the risk of being ousted as Speaker by his own party, which seems to be rife with internal opposition to passing some spending measures in time to avoid a government shutdown. Some Republicans see the CR as nothing more than maintaining current spending levels, which they believe are already too high and must be cut to bring the deficit and debt down. Other Republicans are concerned about how poorly funded the Defense Department has been during the Biden Administration, which has seen less buying power due to inflation in the face of a rising threat and capabilities by China, Russia, and Iranian proxies. Given this disarray, the House has yet to vote on any budget proposal.

In the Democratic-controlled Senate, the situation seems less contentious but equally divided, with the majority in favor of a “clean” spending bill from the House (one without the election integrity rider) and all hoping to avoid a government shutdown. President Biden has indicated his intention to veto any such “loaded” spending bill.

Hence, the pressure is on Speaker Johnson to find a way to once again placate his own party's insistence on curbing spending, increasing Defense spending, and including election integrity language in the spending bill (even though it's already a federal crime for a non-citizen to vote in a federal election). The potential backlash of a government shutdown so close to the upcoming November election, coupled with Speaker Johnson's ambition to continue as Speaker in the new Congress, puts the Speaker literally between a rock and a hard place. Only the great magician Houdini has faced such incredible odds of succeeding in a dire situation as this. Johnson's only alternative may be the same play he made back in May when he relied on Democrat votes in the House to pass spending bills for the remainder of FY24, infuriating those opposed to more spending. President Biden signed those into law. Ultimately, Speaker Johnson may have to yield on his plans to avoid the lame duck session vote on the Speakership (again assuming the Republicans prevail in the House) in favor of a 3-month CR. Members on both sides in both the House and the Senate favor this approach with no strings attached since it gives both sides the chance to negotiate and pass their separate spending bills. Only time will tell as the clock ticks down to 1 October and the subsequent election on November 5th. Don't forget to vote!

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FINANCIAL LITERACY

COL John C. Murphy, USAR (Ret)

Pros and Cons of Using POD/TOD

An increasingly popular way to avoid probate and other estate planning issues is the payable on death (POD) and transfer on death (TOD) designations. Generally, PODs work with bank accounts and TODs work with stocks, bonds, and other investment assets. These designations work much like a beneficiary designation on Life Insurance, IRAs, or other retirement accounts. There can be more to these designations, which I'll refer to as PODs, than many people realize.

Most financial institutions now have a specific form that is completed to designate an account as a POD and name the beneficiary (or beneficiaries). Florida recognizes these designations although procedures and forms vary greatly from institution to institution.

A POD avoids probate and isn't covered by the will. PODs also can be good for asset transfers the owner wants to keep private. A POD also can be used to ensure the beneficiary has cash available for daily needs after the owner passes away.

Just like the rest of an Estate Plan, the owner needs to review the POD designations periodically. Beneficiaries might pass away, become estranged, or experience other changes. The plan might have inconsistencies, such as a beneficiary receiving more or less wealth than intended or in the case of children, unequal shares. Or the owner's goals and objectives could change.

The owner needs to name a primary as well as a contingent beneficiary(s). Unlike a Will or Trust, you cannot list "to my child or their children" often labeled as "per stirpes". If the primary beneficiary dies with no contingent beneficiary and the owner dies before updating the designation, the account will go through formal probate.

The accounts could become lost property after the owner passes away if the beneficiaries don't know about them and don't claim them. To avoid that, an owner should keep a record of all POD designations ensuring a trusted person has the list and will notify beneficiaries of their interests, if they do not otherwise know of the account.

The account owner should be clear with the beneficiary about the purpose of the POD and expectations for its use. But putting too much of a person's liquid assets into PODs can mean there is not enough cash to pay estate expenses and handle other obligations like utilities. A POD beneficiary isn't obligated to help and might not be inclined to. Some POD beneficiaries will help the estate with cash flow problems but expect to be reimbursed later from the estate. Or those expenses will need to be paid out of pocket by someone.

Consider all the pros and cons of PODs and be sure the accounts are part of a comprehensive, consistent estate plan.



SURVIVOR ASSISTANCE LESSONS LEARNED

Lt Col Chuck Shaw, USAF (Ret)

In a similar fashion to the "presumptive illnesses" due to Agent Orange, for Gulf War Veterans the VA presumes that unexplained symptoms are related to Gulf War service if a Veteran has experienced them for six months or more. The "presumptive" illness(es) must have first appeared during active duty in the Southwest Asia theater of military operations or by December 31, 2021, and be at least 10 percent disabling.

If you are a Gulf War Veteran who may experience a cluster of medically unexplained chronic symptoms that can include fatigue, headaches, joint pain, indigestion, insomnia, dizziness, respiratory disorders, and memory problems. The VA presumes that some health conditions were caused by military service. In practical terms, Gulf War Veterans who meet certain criteria don't have to prove an association between their illness and military service. By assuming a link between symptoms and military service, it can simplify and speed up the application process for benefits.

Currently the Gulf War presumptive illnesses include:

Chronic Fatigue Syndrome: A condition of long-term and severe fatigue that is not relieved by rest and is not directly caused by other conditions.

Fibromyalgia: A condition characterized by widespread muscle pain. Other symptoms may include insomnia, morning stiffness, headache, and memory problems.

Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders: A group of conditions marked by chronic or recurrent symptoms related to any part of the gastrointestinal tract. Functional condition refers to an abnormal function of an organ, without a structural alteration in the tissues. Examples include irritable bowel syndrome, functional dyspepsia, and functional abdominal pain syndrome.

Undiagnosed Illnesses: are conditions, with symptoms that may include but are not limited to abnormal weight loss, fatigue, cardiovascular disease, muscle and joint pain, headache, menstrual disorders, neurological and psychological problems, skin conditions, respiratory disorders, and sleep disturbances.

Chronic multi-symptom illness (CMI) describes the presence of symptoms in two or more body systems that last or recur regularly for more than six months. Some examples of CMI include Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, Fibromyalgia, Gulf War Illness, and Irritable Bowel Syndrome.

If you suffer from CMI, consider reaching out to VA to get help. VA is actively strengthening its support of Veterans with CMI. In addition to medical help for you, establishing a VA disability rating can potentially help your Surviving Spouse's Survivor Benefits.

POINTS TO PONDER

Ch, Lt Col, Thomas Unrath USAF (Ret)

The end of October has a day that most children adore: Halloween. Much has been written and spoken about this day, the origins, the costumes, and more recently, the plethora of safety issues parents and others must consider with “trick or treat” outings.

I'd like to ponder the pre-origin of Halloween. All Hallows Eve, from whence Halloween derives its name, is the day prior to All Saints Day. Saints, in the Christian church, are the “hallowed” or holy ones. Here I'll look at what it is to be “holy.”

In Christianity, as I know it, to be holy is to be “set apart” for God's purposes. Many things can be considered sacred, or holy, thought of in this context. A church building, certain objects used for designated purposes within the church, certain “holy days,” or holidays as we call them, like Christmas and Easter, are set apart for the purpose of worshipping God. People, too, are set apart for God's purposes. God directs us to love and care for each other, our neighbors.

Can an organization be thought of as holy? People might think of a religious group or church body as holy, set apart for God's work. What about us? What about MOAA? Our motto, “Never Stop Serving” certainly sounds like caring for each other. As we do what God asks us to do, intentionally or not, we are acting in a way that is holy.

This Oct 31st think how, on “All Hallows Eve,” you are holy. Serving as we do in MOAA we do holy work, caring for our neighbor.

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HEALTHY LIVING

CAPT (ret) Rita Shapiro, MA, DPT

Bone and Joint Health



All human beings, after the age of 25-30 years and some sooner, (especially military service members) begin to experience some aches and pains in our bodies and joints as we move or sit too long and so on.

Since 2011, when “Baby Boomers” became beneficiaries of Medicare, the economic and societal cost of bone and joint health began to escalate and is expected to continue for decades. Hence, maintaining healthy bones and joints for as long as we possibly can, and learning how to accomplish that task is of utmost importance, not only for each of us as individuals but also to help decrease the burden on already stressed medical system.

If not for the greater purpose, some simple things each of us can do for our own benefit. One single phrase that we can remember and practice: “MOTION IS LOTION” (this is my favorite phrase that I have used throughout my career as a physical therapist to encourage my patients)

Benefits of MOTION:

1. **Keeps your joints lubricated.**
2. **Keeps your muscles active.**
3. **Keeps your bones healthy.**
4. **Decreases pain.** (Yes, even after a surgery)
5. **Prevents Falls.** (Very important factor as we get older)
6. **Improves mental health.** (Yes indeed! When we move, physical activity serves as a boost for positive mental well-being. It has been scientifically proven that regular exercise helps reduce stress, alleviate anxiety, and boost mood by releasing endorphins, the body's natural stress relievers.)



Mark Your Calendar!

Save the Dates for upcoming MOAACC Events:

- 3 October 2024:** Current Affairs Forum
- 5 October 2024:** Past Presidents Dinner
- 7 November 2024:** Current Affairs Forum
- 16 November 2024:** MOAACC Annual Golf Tournament
- 19 November 2024:** Annual Membership Business Meeting
- 7 December 2024:** Annual Christmas Dinner Dance
- 17 December 2024:** MOAACC Surviving Spouses/ Spouses Christmas Tea
- 4 January 2025:** MOAACC 2025 Installation Banquet
- 17-19 January 2025:** MOAA FCoC Training Seminar & Mini-Convention in Orlando

Next On-the-Go Luncheon:

Come join your fellow members at no business social event!

The October On-The-Go Luncheon will be on Tuesday, 8 Oct 2024 at 1130, at: Squid Lips, 2200 S. Orlando Ave, Cocoa Beach.

Please sign up during TMBC or contact Toni Lowe at 321-474-6889

Toni received a call from the head manager at Squid Lips that Corporate directed they be closed Monday thru Wednesday. When he learned the luncheon was for our group, he said he will keep their commitment and bring in managers and staff because he wants to honor the military.

Let's support Squid Lips as they support us and have a good turnout. The restaurant will be closed except for MOAACC.

Space Coast Navy Wives' Club

Please join us for our next luncheon on Friday, October 18, 2024 at THE TIDES on A1A Patrick Space Force Base. Social hour begins at 11:30am and lunch is served at noon.

Our speaker will be COL Jeff Rogers, USA Ret. He will speak of "A Soldier's Experience Vietnam 1969-70". Jeff is the spouse of our member Carlie Rogers.

Menu choices are Grilled Flank Steak with potatoes and sauteed spinach or Spinach Strawberry Salad with chicken breast. For dessert we will have Chocolate Cake.

For reservations and more information, call or text Ellie Joy at (321) 961-2962. Reservations must be made no later than noon, Tuesday, October 15th.

Remember friends and family are always welcome.

- Ellie Joy (321) 757-9193

October MOAACC Luncheon

Guest Speaker: Stephanie Robinson, Planning Coordinator for Brevard Emergency Management

10/15/2024 11:30 AM - 01:00 PM



Stephanie Robinson

Stephanie Robinson is the Planning Coordinator for Brevard County Emergency Management, where she plays a vital role in maintaining and enhancing the county's emergency response plans. With over 14 years of experience in public safety, Stephanie began her career as a Damage Controlman in the United States Coast Guard before transitioning to emergency management. Stephanie enjoys life with her husband, two children, two dogs, and a velcro cat. Her commitment to innovative emergency management practices underscores her dedication to ensuring community safety and preparedness.

Location:

Indian River Colony Club

1936 Freedom Drive

Melbourne, FL 32940

Building Number: Colony Hall

Cost is \$25.00 for luncheon. Meal choices are:

1. Beef Stroganoff over Pasta w/veggies
2. Chef Salad
3. Vegetarian meals available upon request

All meals include rolls & butter, coffee & tea and the Chef's sweet choice for dessert. Cash bar available.

Please RSVP/cancel by 10 October 2024, online, or by contacting Grace Catron at events@moaacc.org or (417) 294-0798. You can [pay online](#) with Credit Card, pay at the door or mail payment with RSVP to:

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Members of the Mighty MOAA-Cape Canaveral Chapter:

Mark your calendar to cast your vote for the Chapter leadership in November.



MOAACC GOOD DEEDS FOUNDATION

Donn Weaver, CPT (USA) Former

A New, Even Better Year Ahead for the Good Deeds Foundation

Your Good Deeds Foundation, like our federal government, operates on the Fiscal Year beginning 01 October through 30 September. At the GDF Board meeting on 10 September, we approved our FY 2025 budget thanks to generous donations of \$180,000!!! That compares to \$130,000 in FY24 and to less than \$25,000 in 2016. Clearly, GDF has earned the trust of members and others who each year seem to donate more so we can do more to:

- Support Active-Duty Families
- Contribute to Youth Cadet Programs
- Help Veterans and Families in Distress
- Bolster other great Vet Non-Profits to enhance their missions

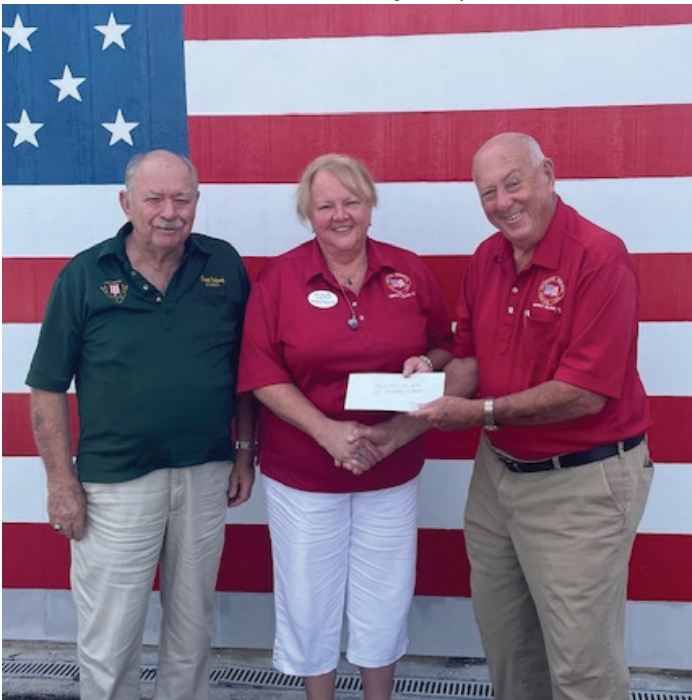
So, please think about contributing to GDF next year so we can do even more. Right now, we are working on our GDF VyStar Golf Tournament Fundraiser at IRCC on 16 November. Please check out to register as a golfer, dedicate a hole sign, become a sponsor using the MOAACC web site and updated poster in this issue.

Keep tracking GDF impact through the Intercom each month. By Mid-October we will be providing some amazing grants to all our mission areas ranging from \$500 to the USCG Cutter Vigilant 40th Anniversary BBQ and to \$6400 to Space Coast Honor Flight to pay for 16 Florida Tech ROTC and Doctoral students to serve as Guardians on six 2025 flights.

As you know, our new 2025 MOAACC Officers and Board will be elected in November and sworn in early January. If you have been with MOAACC a year or more and are not on those lists, consider joining the GDF Board in 2025. Just talk to any GDF Board member for more information. We promise no arm twisting and plenty of satisfaction.

Warm Regards, Donn

Their Voice of Hope



Dorothy Walsh, Founder and CEO of Their Voice of Hope which supports women veterans and veteran children, receives a grant from MOAACC Good Deeds Foundation to support two family events. Donn Weaver, MOAACC GDF Pres and VMC VP, right, along with MOAACC Board Member and VMC President Dean Schaaf present the check. GDF provided \$500 each for the TVOH Veteran families Trunk or Treat Event on Halloween in the VMC Park, and for a family Fun Day at a horse ranch in Titusville in the spring. The VMC serves as the venue for many such events and as the mechanism to bring veteran non-profit organizations together to help each other.



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TMBC-Thursday 05 September 2024



Tom Bobanic is given a MOAACC Challenge Coin by MOAACC President, Rick Kniseley



Tom Bobanic, Brevard County's Supervisor of Elections gives a briefing on Brevard Counties voting process.

Oath Of Office to USCG Enlistees



CWO4 Dan McIntyre USCGR, MOAACC USCG Liaison administered the oath of service for Julian Doster along with OS1 Hakeem Oliver, USCG Recruiter.



CWO4 Dan McIntyre MOAACC USCG Liaison administered the oath of service for Hannah Colon along with OS1 Hakeem Oliver USCG. Recruiter.

17 September 2024 MOAACC Luncheon

Guest Speaker:

RADM (2 Star), Wayne Justice, USCG, Ret., Life member of MOAACC

Wayne Justice was re-elected to the Commission representing District 5 for another four-year term that began December 2018. He spent 2018 as the chairman of the Canaveral Port Authority. Since, The Port Canaveral has grown to be one of the most modern and busiest port in the world . Admiral Justice has been a longstanding member of our MOAACC. He currently serves as the President of the Scholarship Corporation and Treasurer of our Good Deeds Foundation among other duties. In addition to his duties as Port Authority Commissioner.



MOAACC Photos by Pish Pishdad



The Cape Canaveral Port Authority has excellent relationship with John Kennedy space Center. Also looking forward to welcome and support Blue origin as new neighbors.

MOAACC Photos by Pish Pishdad



VETERANS MEMORIAL CENTER UPDATE

9/11 Remembered at Veterans Memorial Center Despite Rain

By: Donn Weaver, Vice President, Veterans Memorial Center



Attendees attempting to stay dry under the museum while the Ceremony began.

too young to realize the history changing impacts of that day. As we know from the headlines of today, the impact of 9/11 is far from over.

Al Boettjer of Club 1013 was the MC and recounted the statistics with human impact of the nearly 3000 who died that day and many thousands more since then because of related health issues and resultant combat against terrorist enemies around the world.

RADM Wayne Justice, USCG Ret and Port Canaveral Commissioner, spoke as a NYC native who lost friends and who was near the Pentagon that day as he framed the personal impact on so many families.

VMC Vice President Donn Weaver, a Gold Star Father, whose son fell in Afghanistan in 2010 recounted the aftermath. So far 7,049 Americans who have fallen in combat and many thousands of others have died or were injured as a result of military service and toxic exposure because of 9/11. Keynote

The weather was threatening all day and moments before a special ceremony began at the Veterans Memorial Center (VMC) on Merritt Island, a light rain began to fall. The Remembrance of the events of 11 September 2001 went right on, perhaps even more poignant as about 250 in attendance endured.

The event was sponsored by Club 1013 of retired NYPD officers, and supported by over 70 local Fire, Police and other First Responders. In the 45 minute ceremony, the 23rd Anniversary of events in New York City, at the Pentagon and in a field in Pennsylvania, and beyond were well remembered. There were other such events in Brevard County, including in Palm Bay and in many local high schools - an important goal for the remembrance. Most college and all high school students were born after 9/11 and even many parents were



Sheriff Wayne Ivey anchors the Ceremony, thanking those who braved the weather and urging all to Never Forget what happened 23 years ago and still impacts so many today.

Speaker Sheriff Wayne Ivey wrapped up the moment with thanks to all who came, despite the rain, and how crucial it is to honor and remember First Responders and our Military who went into the fire that day and who continue to put service before self.

Sea Cadets of the Courageous Division based at the VMC provided great support and were among about 30 young people in attendance for the event. Many VMC and Club 1013 volunteers made the event go smoothly, along with several sponsors including the Good Deeds Foundation of the Cape Canaveral Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America.

As Sheriff Ivey and other speakers noted, it remains a responsibility to use our official national Patriot's Day holiday and Day of Service, to never forget 9/11 and its continuing impact.



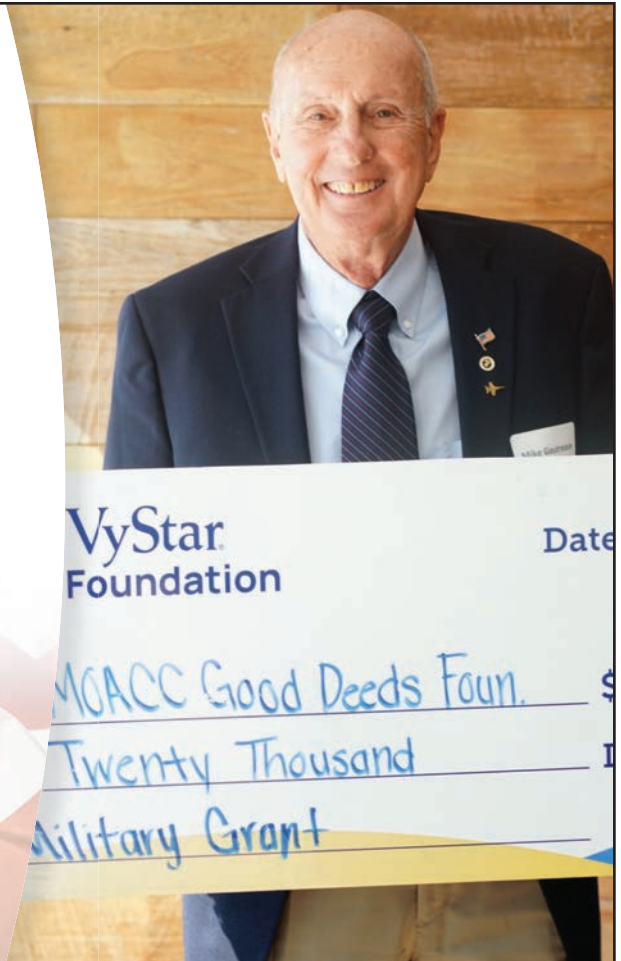
BCFD team folds the flag and ring the bell to honor 9/11 fallen.

VyStar Foundation is a proud sponsor of MOAACC

On behalf of The Military Officers Association of America (MOAACC), we extend our heartfelt gratitude for VyStar Foundation's support of The Good Deeds Foundation, allowing us to continue our mission of service and camaraderie. As Vice President of the Good Deeds Foundation and a VyStar member for four decades I am proud of their unwavering support of the military community. Thank you for standing with us as we serve and support those who have served our nation.

Mike Gautreaux

Colonel, USMC (ret)
Vice President, MOAACC Good Deeds Foundation



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Brian Smith	LTC	US Army	Retired	Steve Cusick
Kerry Smith	Captain	USMC	Former	Dan McIntyre
Brown Michael	MAJ	USAF	Retired	

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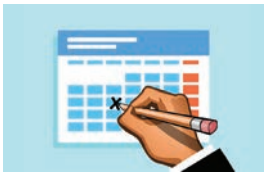
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OCTOBER 2024

12 Oct — JROTC Raider Challenge Invitational Competition at the Veterans Memorial Center Park (0630-1300). Support hundreds of JROTC cadets engaging in five grueling events in 10-person male, female and mixed teams. Hosted by Viera HS JROTC.

11 Oct — 8th Annual “Every Day is Veterans Day!” Free Event 1000- 1300 at Space Coast Center for Collaboration 1100 Rockledge Blvd/US1 in Rockledge. Presented by One Senior Place and VITAS Healthcare. Special programs, food, refreshments, and Memories. Reservations Required. Call 321-751-6771.

12 Oct — Space Coast Honor Flight to Washington DC for selected veterans to visit their memorials. Guardian volunteers and other supporters welcome for ceremony to launch the flight — 0130 hours at the Senior Center in Wickham Park, Melbourne. Contact SCHF on 321-456-7031 or info@spacecoasthonorflight.org for more information.

31 Oct — BCSO Shred Event in VMC Park 0900-1030. BCSO conducts monthly shred services at various locations and will release their 2024 schedule in January.

31 Oct — Second Annual Trunk or Treat Halloween Party VMC Park 1500-1800. Sponsored by Their Voice of Hope for children of veterans and their families. Lots of games, food and kids’ fun. For more information to participate or donate contact dorothy@theirvoiceofhope.com or call 321-426-6736.

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02 Nov — JROTC Raider Challenge DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP Invitational Competition at the Veterans Memorial Center Park (0630-1300). Support hundreds of JROTC cadets engaging in five grueling events in 10-person male, female and mixed teams.

09 Nov — St Francis Reflections “LIFE stage Care Veterans Day 5K” at VMC Park. 0800-0930. Merges into VMC Veterans Day Ceremony.

09-10 Nov — Veterans Open House 2024 at Valiant Air Command War Birds Museum at TICO Airport, Titusville 1000-1700 both days. Veterans get in free with lots of food, special events and more. Check the War Bird Museum web site for more information.

10 Nov — Seventh Annual Homestretch 5K for At-Risk and Homeless Vets. For details and to register see Latest Events and Updates on: nvhs.org

11 Nov — Veterans Day Ceremony at VMC Plaza 0930 - 1100. Many others in Brevard as well.

16 Nov — Annual MOAACC Good Deeds Foundation Golf Tournament Fundraiser at the Indian River Colony Club 0800-1300. Save the date. Details this summer. Looking for sponsors. Contact Donn Weaver, 757-871-6576.

16 Nov — Annual Dinner and Fund Raiser by the Support Committee of the Cape Canaveral National Cemetery (SC/CCNC) 1730- 2000 at American Legion Post 1, US 1 in Titusville. 50/50 raffles, silent auction, Music by Dave Johnson, great food and more all to support the SC/CCNC during the year. They organize

ceremonies and events at CCNC; support the CCNC Director and her team, as well as through the Cape Canaveral Ladies, who make sure no veteran is ever buried alone. Reservations required by 01 Nov to Priscilla Southworth (saavik31324@yahoo.com). Dinner costs \$20 with checks made out to SC/CCNC. Priscilla has all details.

17 Nov — Bowling for Heroes Charity event by Heroes United to Heal Foundation at Palm Bay Shore Lanes 4851 Dairy Rd, Melbourne 1300-1500. Five-man team entry fee is \$70 for each lane with grand prizes available in Juniors (under 21). Corporate/Private Business, Hero (Vets and First Responders) categories. Register your team by email: admin@hu2h.org. The event is aimed at “Striking Out” the stigma of PTSD and vet/first responder suicide.

25 Nov — Senator Marco Rubio’s Staff Mobile Office Hours at the VMC 1300-1500, specifically for Veterans and their families.

DECEMBER 2024

13-14 Dec — JROTC District Air Rifle Championship 0800-1200 Palm Beach Jr/Sr Magnet School. State Qualifier Meet.

14 Dec — Wreaths Across America Day in many Brevard Locations. Cape Canaveral National Cemetery 1000-1200 with details on all WAA events in October.

14 Dec — JROTC District Invitational Air Rifle Meet at Palm Bay HS 0800-1200. Support dozens of cadets from 10 or more High Schools compete at the indoor range for marksmanship team honors. 2

14 Dec — Second Annual Merritt Island Community and Gold Star Family Tribute Christmas Tree Illumination and Holiday Party. VMC Park 1500- 2000. More details in August.

15 Dec — Wreaths Across America at Pinecrest Cemetery/Brevard County Honors Veterans 1400 - 1600, 815 Clearlake Road, Cocoa. Honors also Medal of Honor Recipient Emory Bennett, and all deceased veterans and Gold Star Families of veterans as well as First responders. Rolling Thunder FL-1 Chapter will escort the wreaths from VMC with KSU at 1300. Contact Dorothy Walsh for more information through the VMC.

JANUARY 2025

11 Jan — Second Annual Stop the Traffic 5K Fundraiser, VMC PARK 0700-1200. Organized by Edgewood HS students and parents to raise money to bring awareness and action to help stop human trafficking, a growing problem even in America. More details in November.

10-11 Jan — Palm Bay JROTC Air Rifle Commanders Cup Match, PM Friday; 0800-1200 Saturday at Palm Bay Jr/Sr HS.

For further upcoming events, visit

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As we enter October, fall, and the final quarter of 2024, the country and economy remain volatile. Thankfully, inflation has decreased from a high of over 9% in 2022 to just under 3% as I write this. While both death and taxes remain a given, so too are the rising costs of college and advanced education. Thankfully, the MOAACC Scholarship Corporation remains a source of support for students of the MOAACC family striving to start or advance their careers and effect positive outcomes in their local communities. This year we awarded \$77,000 in scholarships to 11 students. When applications open up again in January, we hope to match or exceed the dollars awarded in 2024. Over the last few years, we have increased the pool of eligibility from prospective college sophomores all the way up to PhD candidates.

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Third Annual Academy, ROTC and Military Leadership Seminars at VMC Get Rave Reviews



MOAACC member Wayne Justice provides orientation on the Academy Nomination and selection process (with left to right rear) Mike Tucker, Hans Hunt and Donn Weaver ready to give their briefings. MOAACC supported the event with at least 16 members which offered students even more offline information.

The third annual Military Leadership Seminar Program was held at the Veterans Memorial Center on 24 August 2024. The event was sponsored by the Cape Canaveral Chapter of MOAA, Student Affairs Committee, with supporter from the Center and the MOAACC Good Deeds Foundation.

There were representatives onsite from 19 different military leadership options, ranging from all the Service Academies, many ROTC Colleges including Embry-Riddle and Florida Tech to special programs like Warrant Officer Flight, Officer Candidate Schools, and direct recruitment options. Thanks to all who gave up their Saturday to share their experiences and information with the students and parents who attended.

A total of 70 students and parents attended the two different sessions which began with a general orientation and introductions of all presenting units, more than 80 minutes allowed in each session with one-on-one conversation for students to ask questions and make contacts afforded many possible options they might want to consider.

This year high school sophomores, as well as juniors and seniors, were invited with about equal numbers of all three classes represented. They were given full contact information about all the Presenters which they can use to ask questions, seek more information, and have mentors as they go forward. Everyone who attended raved about the experience and promised to share the same with friends.

While the student numbers were down this year, perhaps due to rain threats, soccer tournaments, SAT testing, etc. enthusiasm and appreciation was not lacking. Good luck to those students as they negotiate their educational paths and consider some fantastic military options.



L-R: ENS Joshua Inman, ENS Zachary Baker, USCG Academy Graduates and members of the USCG VIGILANT crew, Ms. Gwendolyn Dougherty, USCG Academy Admissions Partner, CWO4 Dan McIntyre, USCGR, MOAACC USCG Liaison.

SPEAKERS BUREAU

Remembering 9/11 and the Global War on Terror

MOAACC Speakers were called on for Patriot Day events to remind those in our community of the deadly terror attacks of 9/11/2001 and the ensuing Global War on Terror.



Captain Bill Toti (USN-Retired) Speaks at the Brevard Veterans Memorial Center about his experience serving in The Pentagon on 9/11.



Colonel Steve Bond (USA-Ret) at One Senior Place speaking on 9/11 events and the ensuing Global War on Terror, including his service in Iraq.

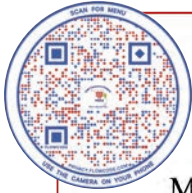


Amir Pishdad Jr, Lieutenant Commander, UDT/SEAL (ret) addresses the First General Membership meeting of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 32, Brevard County Florida, that was held on Sept 11, 2024, the 23rd anniversary of 9/11. Commander Pishdad, a lifetime member of MOAACC, was the key note speaker who addressed the positive aspects of military service that resulted from the tragedies of that day, to about 250 in attendance.



LTC Lou Hoffman (USA-Retired, Center) spoke at The Wuesthoff Hospice 9/11 remembrance ceremony at Sunflower House in West Melbourne about his experiences on 9/11 and his service in Afghanistan.

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MOAACC's GDF Board Member CW4 Dan McIntyre presents a \$2000 grant to Sea Scout Ship 172 leader Erich Johnson.

GDF continued

Space Coast Honor Flight

A Space Coast Honor Flight was again successfully conducted on 07 September 2024. Sixteen veterans and their guardians flew to Washington DC to visit the memorials. In DC, they visited various memorials and participated in ceremonies at the WWII Memorial. They also witnessed the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. There will be one more honor flight this year from the Space Coast on 12 October 2024.



MOAACC Chapter Member Lt Col Mike Feener, USAF (Ret) and his Guardian FIT PhD Candidate Sukhnum Baath waiting to depart on the September 7 Space Coast Honor Flight. The Good Deeds Foundation funds trips for four FIT PhD candidates and four FIT ROTC Cadets to participate on Honor Flights as Guardians.

THE ROLE OF AIRCRAFT IN WWI (Part 9)

By Bill Muckler, Captain USMC



ALBERT BALL. Flying ace Albert Ball was arguably the British Empire's most beloved fighter pilot during World War I. Renowned for his quiet demeanor, he supposedly loved gardening and lived alone in a small shack adjacent to his airplane hangar.

Ball had a ferocious fighting spirit. He often fought until his plane was riddled with enemy gunfire. His do-or-die attitude, and 44 kills, established him as a wartime celebrity in the United Kingdom.

Ball typically flew on solo patrol, stalking German reconnaissance planes and engaging fighter squadrons even when severely outnumbered. His favorite maneuver involved slotting in beneath his enemy and using the tilting machine gun on his French-made Nieuport fighter to fire on them. Despite his gallant reputation, Ball was deeply troubled by the violence of combat and wrestled with depression. The stress of war played a role in his demise. At twenty years of age in May, 1917, he mysteriously crashed while tangling with planes from the Red Baron's "Flying Circus." He was twenty years old.

WILLIAM BISHOP. Canadian pilots racked up an impressive record during World War I, but none was as prolific as William Bishop, who scored an amazing 72 aerial victories. Bishop began the war as a cavalryman, but grew tired of the mud and misery of trench warfare and transferred to the Royal Flying Corps. He went on to down a German plane in his first dogfight in March 1917, and was designated an "ace" pilot after he bagged five enemy aircraft in his first days on the job. As his kills continued to pile up, German pilots dubbed Bishop "Hell's Handmaiden."

Bishop was not an expert at aerial acrobatics, but he possessed uncanny positional awareness and an eye for marksmanship. To hone his skills, he often dropped tin cans from his cockpit to use for target practice as he dove to earth. Bishop preferred flying alone, and gained a reputation for his larger-than-life feats of courage. In one famous June, 1917 solo attack on a German aerodrome, he supposedly destroyed three enemy planes in the air and several more on the ground. Worried his reckless style would get him killed and affect morale on the home front, Bishop's superiors eventually removed him from combat duty in June, 1918. (Next month: The Role Of Aircraft In WWI: Part 10)

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THE GUYS Play at Indian River Colony Club

The Broadway play THE GUYS, based on a true story of 9/11, was produced, directed and staged at the Indian River Colony Club on Sept. 10 and 12, with four performances over the two days.

Tom Navo played Nick, the NY Fire Captain who lost most of his men on 9/11.

Natalia Brothers was Joan, the writer who helped Nick write eulogies for his men. Cheryl Navo directed.

Rockledge Fire and Police Departments and MOAACC members attended the productions on 9/10 and 9/12.



Tom Navo, Cheryl Navo, Natalia Brothers, did an outstanding job in this moving production.



Donations to Tunnel to towers Foundation with 9/11 memorabilia/patriotic items donated by Jane Hodges, raising over \$2000 for this charity that sponsors numerous programs for VETS. Cathie Chevalier, IRCC Recreational Activities Council President, Cheryl Navo, Jane Hodges and Button Boudraeu.



Jane Hodges presents one of the raffle baskets to winner Don Mumma



Jane visits with fellow MOAACC members: Donn Weaver (wife Jeanne), Good Deeds Foundation Chairman who sponsored the play, Amir Pishdad and Mike Schroeder.

Photos provided by Jane Hodges



MOAACC Photo by Pish Pishdad

Natalia Brothers and Tom Navo perform at THE GUYS showing at Indian River Colony Club

2024 Special Olympics, Paris France



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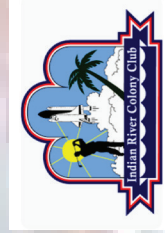


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2024 VyStar Fund Raiser Golf Tournament

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Date: Saturday, November 16, 2024
Time: 7:00am Registration, 8:00 Shotgun Start
Location: *Indian River Colony Club*
Purpose: Provide financing for MOAACC's philanthropic endeavors in Brevard County

Entry Fee: \$125.00 per golfer

Format: Four Person Scramble. If you do not enter a team list, you will be placed on a team with other players.

Team Information:

Player 1: Name: _____

Telephone: _____

EMAIL: _____

Player 2: _____

Player 3: _____

Player 4: _____

Convenient online registration and payment available at: GDFgolf.com

Or mail this form with checks payable to
MOAACC GDF to
PO Box 320358

Cocoa Beach, FL 32932-0358

2024 VyStar Good Deeds Foundation Golf Tournament

Benefiting Brevard County Military,
Veterans' and ROTC/JROTC Units



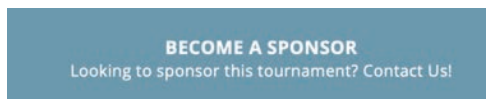
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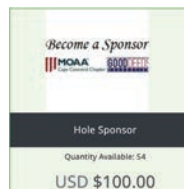
We'll place a sign at one of the tournament's tee boxes with your name and a message. Your message can honor a loved one or a fallen comrade.

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Please Place Your Order Before
October 15, 2025

Contact
Larry Jackson, Tournament Director
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All MOAA Members and Guests Invited!**

**For More Information and to Register,
Go to: www.FLMOAA.org**

The MOAA Foundation (TIN 46-4219250), is a 501(c)(3) charitable subsidiary of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA). It offers grants to MOAA, its councils and chapters in support of veterans' community outreach programs and services. In Florida, The MOAA Foundation is at the forefront of relief to individuals veterans impacted by natural disasters. In 2024, The MOAA Foundation provided 15 Community Grants, and over \$40,000 to Florida Chapters, to directly aid Veterans in Florida.

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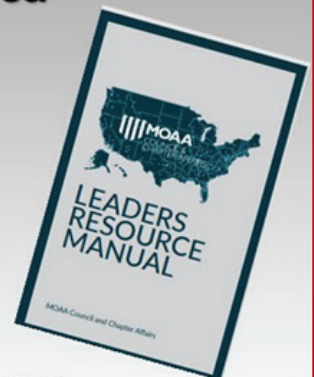
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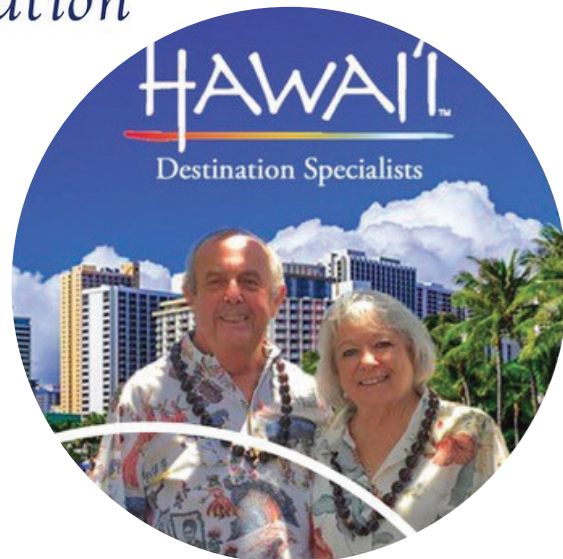
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