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**Howard Wallace says, “I see where Navy will play Wake Forest in Winston Salem on Oct 9th. Are you interested? Does a group from MOAA usually go and sit together? We always go when Navy plays in Va. or N.C.”**

**The Board of Directors’ Meeting, April 13, 2010:** ID

Card Renewal: The Social Security Number will be eliminated and only the last four numbers will be used to combat Identity Theft. The MOAA Symposium will be held in Florida and will include Presidents, 1st VP and Membership Chair. Expenses will be paid by MOAA (National). The NC Council is developing a new website or they will significantly update their current website. Publicity: We can get publicity by writing “Letters to the Editor” inquiring about our organization. The President of the Jefferson Chapter gave Dennis Lennon the name of a webmaster who can build a website. Dennis will explore the possibility and return

with suggestions. Retention: Age is still a problem, we need to recruit more young members. Suggestion: send out postcards to remind members when their dues are due. Treasurers Report, Dan Quesenberry: [Ed: Our financials are good, but we can always use more members and their dues!] There were 43 reservations for dinner tonight. We have 83 members who have paid their dues and we have 53 aux. members. We have 7 people with health problems. Program Report, Tom Stump: Tonight’s meeting will feature Coach Jim Grobe, Head Football Coach at Wake Forest University. The May meeting will be JROTC oriented. Personal Affairs, Hank Wade: Jack Salt has lost a lot of weight and not looking well. Tyler Morgan has had a knee replaced.

Scholarship Program, Tyler Morgan: Tyler was not present. To date no forms requesting the scholarship have been returned, the application forms were sent out. Membership Committee, Dennis Lennon: New members: George Spate, Col David Taylor, and Lt Mike Griffin. Old business: A summary of past proposals that have passed dating from 2007 were distributed. New business: James Byrd has agreed to be our new chaplain. Amy Snow noted that the JROTC program at North Surry HS will hold a program honoring the 50th year of the high school. The event will be held on May 28, 2010. Dennis Lennon distributed a copy of amended Scholarship Program rules which allow for the nomination of children of a military member (active duty or reserve) who has been wounded or killed in the service of our country. It was moved and seconded to accept the changes. PASSED It was moved and seconded to give Greg Chase a vote of confidence and thanks for writing the newsletter, we appreciate his efforts. PASSED Nominating Committee: Bill Pilcher, immediate Past President, is in charge of the Nominating Committee. Tom Stump volunteered to serve on the committee. Bill Lamm may also serve. The next meeting will be on Tuesday May 11, 2010 at 1730.

**Last Meeting, April 13, 2010:** Coach Grobe shared some of his college football knowledge and coaching experiences, particularly concerning his Wake Forest team, including past highlights, and future expectations.

**Membership: Give Me 10 - New Members: Our Chapter Membership Goal for 2010 is 13 – Don’t Be Shy! And don’t forget to call those 20 on your list!** Policy note from past minutes: New members receive their first year dues free when they join. If they are not members of National they can join National and receive their first year’s dues free, also.

**PROGRAM REPORT & Future Events:** From Tom Stump: The May 11th speaker will be LTC Curtis Hatley, Director of Army Instruction Forsyth County Schools. Remember, we will have no functions in June, July and August, and our **next meeting after May will be September 14, 2010.** If you have specific ideas, programs or guest speakers, **please contact Tom Stump**

at (336) 768-9056. If you have Email (and would like to receive future issues of this newsletter via email – saves us \$.44 each), please send an email to Greg Chase, [gvchase@windstream.net](mailto:gvchase@windstream.net). - Send me your ideas by email for inclusion.

**Personnel Affairs:** Passing this on to those not receiving the emails from **Bobbye Salt about Jack**. Please continue your prayers for both Jack and Bobbye.

He is still alert, in good spirits, and welcomes visitors and phone calls (336-405-3415) **Please contact Hank Wade at 336-998-8234 or Agnes Canzona, 336-722-2398**, whenever you hear breaking news about any of our members (success, illness, untimely departures). Please pray for our Armed Forces standing in harm's way around the world, and for their families -- especially families of those fallen Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsmen, who granted their lives in defense of our freedoms. **Next Chapter Meeting Tuesday May 11, 2010 at 6:30 PM, Dinner at 7:00**

**PM:** The May 11th speaker will be LTC Curtis Hatley, Director of Army Instruction Forsyth County Schools. The Chapter will present the scholarship to the selectee who will be invited to attend with his or her parents and military instructor. **The Tarheel Central Chapter** extends an invitation to all military officers in the area to attend all our functions. - The meeting will be held in The Piedmont Club on the 19th floor of the BB&T Bank building, 200 West 2nd Street, Winston-Salem, NC. - There will be a social hour beginning at 6:30 pm (cash bar) followed by dinner at 7:00 then a presentation. - For reservations please contact Mr. Dan Quesenberry. 3938 Homestead Lane, Winston-Salem, NC 37106, phone: (336) 924-4409. - Cost of the **Monthly Dinner Meeting** is **\$18.00** per person, make checks payable to Tarheel Central Chapter. - **Deadline for reservations is Friday, May 7, 2010! Reduce Dan's stress, reserve early!** - **Dues for 2010 are NOW being accepted – \$25 includes newsletter and programs – a great deal!**

**History:** **May 1, 1931**, President Herbert Hoover officially dedicated New York City's Empire State Building, pressing a button from the White House that turned on the building's lights. Hoover's gesture, of course, was symbolic; while the president remained in Washington, D.C., someone else flicked the switches in New York. **May 1, 1958**, President Eisenhower proclaimed Law Day to honor the role of law in the creation of the United States of America. Three years later, Congress followed suit by passing a joint resolution establishing May 1 as Law Day. The idea of a Law Day had first been proposed by the American Bar Association in 1957. The desire to suppress the celebration of May 1, or May Day, as International Workers' Day aided in Law Day's creation. May Day had communist overtones in the minds of many Americans, because of its celebration of working people as a governing class in the Soviet Union and elsewhere. The

American Bar Association defines Law Day as: "A national day set aside to celebrate the rule of law. Law Day underscores how law and the legal process have contributed to the freedoms that all Americans share." The language of the statute ordaining May 1 calls it "a special day of celebration by the American people in appreciation of their liberties and rededication to the ideals of equality and justice under law." **May 1, 1863**, the Battle of Chancellorsville began in Virginia. Earlier in the year, General Joseph Hooker led the Army of the Potomac into Virginia to confront Robert E. Lee's Army of Northern Virginia. Hooker had recently replaced Ambrose Burnside, who presided over the Army of the Potomac for one calamitous campaign the previous December: The Battle of Fredericksburg, in which the Yankees amassed over 14,000 casualties to the Rebels' 5,000. Hooker had a strategically sound plan, but Lee's tactical brilliance and gambler's intuition saved him. He split his force, leaving 10,000 troops under Jubal Early to hold the Federals at bay in Fredericksburg, and then marched the rest of his army west to meet the bulk of Hooker's force. Despite the fact that his army far outnumbered Lee's, and had the Confederates clamped between two substantial forces, Hooker went on the defensive. In the following days, Lee executed his most daring battle plan. He split his army again, sending Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson further west around the Union's right flank. The crushing attack snapped the Union army and sent Hooker in retreat to Washington and, perhaps more than any other event during the war, cemented Lee's invincibility in the eyes of both sides. **May 1, 1898**, at Manila Bay in the Philippines, the U.S. Asiatic Squadron destroyed the Spanish Pacific fleet in the first battle of the Spanish-American War. Nearly 400 Spanish sailors were killed and 10 Spanish warships wrecked or captured at the cost of only six Americans wounded. **May 1, 1915**, during WW I, at The Hague, Netherlands, the International Congress of Women adopted its resolutions on peace and women's suffrage. The congress, also referred to as the Women's Peace Conference, was the result of an invitation by a Dutch women's suffrage organization to women's rights activists around the world to gather in peaceful assemblage. It included more than 1,200 delegates from 12 countries, including Britain, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Italy, Poland, Belgium and the United States. **Humor:** Q: How many programmers does it take to change a light bulb? A: None. That's a hardware problem. **Quotes:** "If it be asked, What is the most sacred duty and the greatest source of our security in a Republic? The answer would be, An inviolable respect for the Constitution and Laws -- the first growing out of the last. ... A sacred respect for the constitutional law is the vital principle, the sustaining energy of a free government." --

Alexander Hamilton, Essay in the American Daily Advertiser, 1794

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**MOAA:** One of the benefits of MOAA national membership is being informed about the impact of future legislation and being part of a formidable advocacy: <http://www.moaa.org/>. In light of the few elected officials who have had any military experience, and to continue “... to support and defend the Constitution of the United States ...” we all need to be part of that advocacy. **MOAA Storms The Hill for You:** MOAA Council and Chapter Presidents from the 50 states and Puerto Rico, accompanied by members of the national Board of Directors and headquarters staff, plus members of MOAA's active duty, Guard, Reserve, spouse and auxiliary advisory committees swarmed Capitol Hill on April 21 to visit nearly all 535 representatives and senators in support of key legislative priorities. This year, the “Hill-stormers” met with their legislators and focused on the following issues:

- Finding a permanent fix to the threatened 21% cut to Medicare and TRICARE payments,
- Upgrading the smallest proposed military pay raise in almost 50 years,
- Fixing a Reserve retirement problem that unfairly denies credit for hundreds of thousands of Guard and Reserve combat tours since 9/11,
- Fixing unfair compensation penalties imposed on thousands of disabled retirees and military survivors.

MOAA Hill-stormers received very positive feedback from most legislators, and we hope to see a considerable jump in the number of cosponsors for MOAA-supported bills on these topics. Check your representatives' and senators' cosponsorship status for the bills listed below:

- Fix the 21% Medicare/TRICARE payment cut  
H.R. 333, H.R. 4525, S. 546 – End deduction of VA benefits from retired pay  
H.R. 775, S. 535 – End deduction of VA benefits from SBP annuities  
H.R. 208, S. 831 – Allow Reserve retirement age credit for all active service since 9/11  
H.R. 1592, H.R. 4427 – Upgrade the military pay raise

You can enhance MOAA's Hill-storming results by entering your ZIP code in the applicable box for each bill to send your legislators a MOAA-suggested message. [To do this you must go to: [http://www.moaa.org/lac/lac\\_issues/lac\\_issues\\_update/lac\\_issues\\_update\\_100423.htm](http://www.moaa.org/lac/lac_issues/lac_issues_update/lac_issues_update_100423.htm) ]

**Caregiver Assistance Bill Adopted:** Last year, the House and Senate passed separate versions of legislation to provide additional compensation and benefits to caregivers of certain wounded warriors. This week, both the House of Representatives and the Senate voted unanimously to approve compromise legislation (S. 1963) authorizing two levels of caregiver support – one for Iraq and Afghanistan vets and one for veterans of all other periods. Caregivers for both groups of seriously disabled veterans would be eligible for education and

training help, counseling and mental health services and respite care. Caregivers for Iraq and Afghanistan vets also would be entitled to VA health coverage, a monthly stipend based on the cost of providing in-home care by locality, and lodging and subsistence payments when accompanying patients on medical visits to distant locations. MOAA and The Military Coalition have highlighted these needs in testimony before Congress, and MOAA's September 2009 Wounded Warrior Symposium emphasized the financial strains imposed on parents, siblings and other caregivers who aren't eligible for military or VA benefits and who often sacrifice their jobs, homes and savings to become full-time caregivers for severely wounded and injured service members. The new legislation also upgrades VA coverage for women veterans, including a child care pilot program and up to seven days of post-delivery care for a newborn child of a female vet. In addition, it will require the VA to assess barriers to delivery of care for women veterans, train VA mental health professionals on sexual trauma issues, and implement a reintegration program for women vets. Now the legislation will go to the president for signature. The main issue now is how quickly the VA will be able to implement the new initiatives. MOAA and all other military and veterans' organizations will be pushing for action as soon as possible to ease the burdens that service-caused injuries to their loved ones have imposed on so many caregivers of America's heroes.

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<p><b>RESERVATION FORM</b> <b>Please mail this form to Dan Quesenberry:</b> <b>Monthly Dinner Meeting, Tuesday, <u>May 11, 2010</u></b> <b>at the Piedmont Club: socializing begins at 1830 (6:30 PM). - Make your reservations early, <u>by Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup> – FIRM DEADLINE.</u> -</b> <b>Questions? Call: (336) 924-4409</b> Your Name: _____ Spouse or guest: _____ Please indicate Your Sponsored Guest(s): _____ Use the back of this page as necessary. Total number you are paying for _____ X \$18.00 = _____ <b>Don't forget to pay your 2010 dues (now \$25 per year) if you haven't already.</b> <b>Make all checks payable to and send to:</b> <b>Tarheel Central Chapter-MOAA, Inc.</b> <b>% Daniel J. Quesenberry,</b> <b>3938 Homestead Lane,</b> <b>Winston-Salem, NC 27106</b></p>
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