

NCCOC ANNUAL MEETING 2025

The Annual Meeting began with a dinner on Friday, November 7, 2025 at the NC State University Club in Raleigh, NC. This was hosted by the Triangle Chapter, President COL Herb Segal, USA (Ret).

The Social and Cash Bar began at 1730. Several in attendance brought a photo of them in uniform when they were much younger to display.

Master of Ceremonies CDR Linc Smith, USN (Ret) introduced Council President CW4 Jay Garbus, USA (Ret) who welcomed everyone. Triangle President COL Herb Segal, USA (Ret) welcomed attendees.

The Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps from Cary High School presented the colors.

COL Segal led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, and told the interesting story of Major Audie Murphy who is buried at Arlington National Cemetery. His bravery and sharpshooting skills earned him the Medal of Honor for his courage and commitment in battle.

Chief Garbus dedicated this meeting to honor COL Jeri Graham, USA (Ret) who was unable to attend. 1st Vice President CDR Kenneth Klassen, USN (Ret) gave the toast to the branches of Armed Services and Uniformed Services.

Guests were introduced by Chief Garbus. They were Lt Gen Brian Kelly, USAF (Ret) CEO MOAA, and his wife Garrety Kelly, CAPT Frank Michael, USN (Ret) Council and Chapters MOAA. Lt Col Pete Warner, USAF (Ret) President Tennessee Council of Chapters, and COL Dianne Scherr, USA (Ret) 1st Vice President MUSNAVC. New Triangle Chapter members were introduced by COL Segal.

Guest Speaker Lt Gen Kelly presented the history of the founding of MOAA to help veterans know about and access the benefits they earned. He told how it has evolved through TROA to MOAA, including active duty and become the strong voice of advocacy for the military, retired, former and active duty. He highlighted some of the major accomplishments of the organization.

Announcements about tomorrow's business meeting were made and all were invited to stay and socialize.