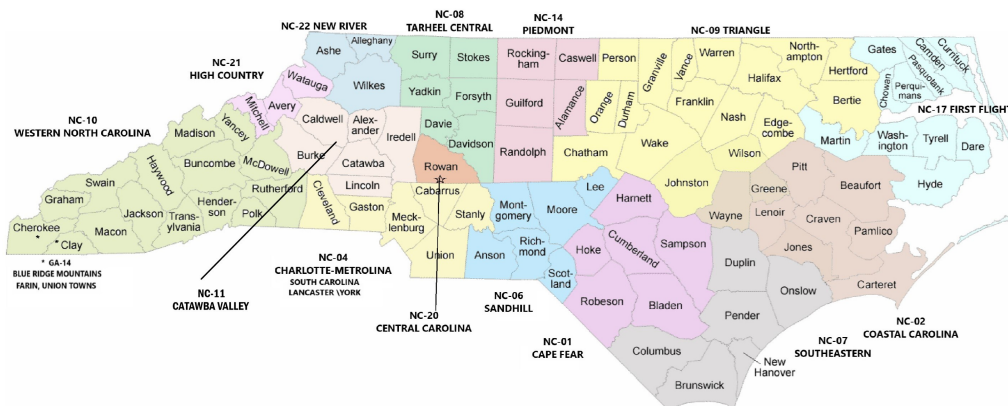




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4 May 2026

The North Carolina Council of Chapters of MOAA invites you and your spouse to attend our Social and Council Seminar to be held 5 and 6 June 2026 at the Hawthorne Inn and Convention Center 420 High St SW Winston-Salem, NC. The Hawthorne Inn is conveniently located off Salem Boulevard (Old I-40), exit 233B. Easiest access is from the west.

PLEASE BRING YOUR MOAA NAME TAG — Self lettered paper name tags will be available

Lodging:

A block of rooms has been set up at the Hawthorne Inn for Friday night, 5 June. **Call 336-777-3000 and ask for the MOAA block of rooms.** A special rate has been negotiated of \$102 for king, or double queen, \$112 for a king suite. **This block of rooms will be available until 15 May.**

Social and Dinner Meeting: ***If you have special dietary needs, please provide your requirements with your reservations***

Dinner dress is coat and tie for the gentlemen and similar attire for the ladies.

Friday evening, 5 June, social begins at 1715 on the second floor **Sycamore Room** of the Hawthorne Inn. Dinner will begin at 1830. **Spouses Welcome!**

Our speaker for the evening will be from MOAA, giving us an update on Council and Chapter programs.

The Friday dinner will be provided by **Mui Pueblo Mexican Grill as a buffet**. Cost is \$30 per person

Our menu will include many of the standards of Mexican fare including:

Fajita Bar - Taco Bar - Mexican Rice - Refried Beans - Salad

Lunch on Saturday will be Jerseys Mike's Subs, cost is \$10.

Reservations for either or both meals must be made by 27 May with the link below via Cheddar Up

<https://nccoc-meeting.cheddarup.com>

NC Council of Chapters Meeting: PLEASE BRING YOUR MOAA NAME TAG — Self lettered paper name tags will be available

The Saturday Council Seminar will take place in Hawthorne Inn Learning Center on the ground floor. We will begin promptly at 0830.

The Hawthorne Inn has a breakfast buffet. It's free for registered guests and a \$6 charge for those not staying at the Inn. Purchase a breakfast ticket at the hotel desk. Coffee, water, and pastries will be available at the Saturday business meeting.

NOTE: This meeting is planned for Saturday morning AND SATURDAY AFTERNOON, until 1700
Please plan accordingly



Agenda

Friday, 5 June

Afternoon Arrive, check-in

1715 pm Social, Sycamore Room, 2nd floor, Pay-as-you go bar – beer and wine, sodas

1830 pm Buffet Dinner, Sycamore Room.

Saturday, 6 June

The Hawthorne Inn has a breakfast buffet. It's free for registered guests and a \$6 charge for those not staying at the Inn. Purchase a breakfast ticket at the hotel desk.

Coffee, water, and pastries will be available at the meeting.

The meeting is scheduled to end at 1700 on Saturday.

0830 Council Seminar, Learning Center ground floor

1130 Lunch will be provided in the meeting room

1230 Continue Council Seminar

1700 Adjourn

No specific activities are planned for spouses; Winston-Salem has many fun things to do. Ask for information and a visitor's guide from the Inn staff.

Examples Include

Old Salem Museum and Gardens Mast General Store Reynolda House and Gardens

Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art Winston Cup Museum

Bethabara Park Hanes Mall Antique Galleries

Donna

David

Capt. Donna Culp, USAF, Fmr 2025 Council President	CAPT David Lee, USNR, Ret Past Council President and Meeting Administrator
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Contact Information:

Hawthorne Inn and Conf Ctr	336-777-3000	Capt. Donna Culp	252-548-2265
420 High St SW, Winston-Salem		CAPT David Lee	704-232-2832

RESOURCES

New leader and affiliate checklist ([Download](#))

Policies and Procedures Guide ([Download](#))

How-to video: [Using MOAA's Online Chapter Dues Program](#)

Access an archive of [Council and Chapter Roundtables](#)

List of [training events and other dates to know](#) Questions? Email chapters@moaa.org or call (800) 234-6622 and ask to speak with a Chapter Affairs Specialist.

A VIRTUAL CHAPTER

Virtual Chapters should be bound together by a shared affinity (e.g., warfare specialty) and/or mission (e.g., health care advocacy). While the possibilities are endless, some interest groups that may lend themselves to virtual chapters include, but are not limited to: Currently serving officers, Guard and reserve officers, Member spouses, Networking/mentoring specialists, State advocacy champions, Army and Navy Club members, Other military association members, Overseas military/expatriate, Dentists, and Financial professionals.

Are you interested in starting one of these virtual chapters, or in championing another group? Contact Capt. Pat L. Williams, USN (Ret), MOAA's program director for engagement, at patw@moaa.org.

ROUNDTABLE

May 28-29: Leadership Training: West Workshop (San Diego). This in-person workshop will be open to presidents, membership chairs, surviving spouse liaisons, and legislative chairs/liaisons from Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming, as well as up to two virtual chapter leaders who live in the region. The event is expected to begin at Noon Mountain time on Thursday, May 28, and conclude by 3 p.m. Mountain time on Friday, May 29.

June 25: Monthly chapter leader virtual roundtable, 7 p.m. Eastern: General Counsel Issues. [Join here](#) at the time of the meeting. (Meeting ID: 915 5736 3097)

July 23: Monthly chapter leader virtual roundtable, 7 p.m. Eastern: Recruiting and Retention. [Join here](#) at the time of the meeting. (Meeting ID: 996 6544 5859)

Aug. 12: Virtual Leader Training Workshop (Experienced Leaders), 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Eastern

Aug. 27: Monthly chapter leader virtual roundtable, 7 p.m. Eastern: MOAA Virtual Chapters. [Join here](#) at the time of the meeting. (Meeting ID: 937 5544 8534)

Sept. 24: Monthly chapter leader virtual roundtable, 7 p.m. Eastern: Council and Chapter Mentorship. [Join here](#) at the time of the meeting. (Meeting ID: 982 3395 1712)

Oct. 22: Monthly chapter leader virtual roundtable, 7 p.m. Eastern: MOAA Foundation. [Join here](#) at the time of the meeting. (Meeting ID: 916 1773 5223)

LEGISLATIVE NOTES

Advocacy in Action 2026: MOAA members brought the organization's top priorities to Capitol Hill on April 15, visiting about 300 congressional offices; interacting with lawmakers and staff members around conference tables, in hallways, and over coffee; and carrying forward the mission of preserving service-earned benefits for all who serve and have served, their families, and their survivors.

Other important developments regarding MOAA's advocacy:

The Next Steps: 3 Upcoming Moments That Matter for Your Benefits

'Fundamental Fairness': Fight for Combat-Injured Veterans Continues on Multiple Fronts

Pentagon Memo Stresses 'Maximum Use' of Spouse Employment Tools

THE DUTY STATUS REFORM ACT (H.R. 6976) streamlines the Pentagon's ability to place members of the Guard and Reserve on active orders. The delivery of benefits under this new structure will no longer negatively impact the servicemember with respect to the type of housing allowance they receive or the credit they receive toward retirement, and it will enable unit commanders to lead teams without having to distinguish between duty type.

THE WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT (WOTC) has played a key role in keeping veteran unemployment rates closer to civilian levels. Originally designed to support "job seekers who have consistently faced barriers to employment," this definition clearly applies to military spouses, who have faced sustained unemployment rates of 20% or higher for over a decade.

Continuing to offer this tax credit to employers while enhancing the program will ensure the veteran unemployment rate remains low, and expanding this benefit to military spouses will improve financial stability for the currently serving military family and increase military readiness and retention rates.

Please take a moment to write your lawmakers about the importance of continuing this tax credit for veterans and making military spouses a target group for WOTC.

LOVE LIVES ON: PROTECT SURVIVING SPOUSES' RIGHT TO REMARRY

Surviving military spouses who lose their loved ones due to combat, service-related illnesses, or suicide often face a difficult choice: remarry and lose their earned benefits or remain single for financial stability.

Current law revokes benefits if they remarry before age 55, leaving many—especially those with young children—without crucial support. The **Love Lives On Act (H.R. 1004/S. 410)** ensures surviving spouses can remarry at any age without losing their benefits.

By supporting this legislation, Congress can honor the sacrifices of military families and provide them with the stability they deserve.

REFERENCE MATERIAL

MOAA GUIDANCE ON PARTISAN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

PARTISAN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

As organizations exempt from federal taxation under Sec. 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code, MOAA and its affiliates must take care to avoid engaging in partisan political activities. Under IRS rules, we are prohibited from directly or indirectly participating in, or intervening in, any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE

A candidate for public office is an individual who offers himself or herself, or is proposed by others, as a contestant for an elective public office, whether such office is national, state, or local, and includes incumbent candidates. The prohibition also extends beyond declared candidates and may apply to efforts to recruit an individual to run for office or advance exploratory activities. The prohibition also applies to advocating for the platform of one political party over another.

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

Activities which constitute participation or intervention in a political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to a candidate include, but are not limited to, the publication or distribution of written or printed statements or the making of oral statements on behalf of or in opposition to such a candidate.

It is clear that the prohibition on partisan political activity prohibits such outright actions such as posting a “Vote for Biden” or “Vote for Trump” on the organization’s website, or “Support Republican Candidates” or “Vote Democratic.”

In addition to these obvious examples, the prohibition goes well beyond direct expressions of support. In determining whether an organization is engaged in unlawful partisan political activities, the IRS applies a “facts and circumstances” test. The IRS looks not only to the expressed language, but to external factors, such as the communication’s timing, its targeted audience, and how the message relates to public policy positions that distinguish a candidate in a campaign.

CONSEQUENCES FOR VIOLATIONS

The consequences to an organization that violates the prohibition on partisan political activity can be severe including the loss of its tax exempt status and the imposition of certain excise taxes. For public charities, like The MOAA Foundation and the MOAA Scholarship Fund, the IRS can disallow tax deductions for charitable contributions. In addition, for an organization whose mission involves advocacy on key military community issues, MOAA must seek support from elected representatives from both parties.

Engaging in partisan political activities on behalf of one party or candidate would seriously undermine MOAA’s ability to achieve the bipartisan consensus on key issues essential to achieving its legislative objectives.

PARTISAN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES CONT

PERSONAL OPINIONS

As individuals, members and leaders of MOAA and MOAA's affiliates are not prohibited from engaging in partisan political activities so long as they do so in way that makes it clear they are acting for themselves and do not appear to be speaking on behalf of MOAA or its affiliates. For example, it is permissible for an individual to express his or her personal preference in support of or in opposition to a candidate or political party. And they may do so publicly.

However, when expressing their personal opinions or preferences, they may not make reference to their MOAA position, use MOAA communications channels, use MOAA letterhead or newsletters, identify themselves as MOAA leaders, or imply that MOAA or its members share their beliefs.

LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Those in leadership positions have a special responsibility to separate their personal political opinions from statements that are or can be attributed to MOAA or its affiliates. For example, it is improper for a chapter leader to use the chapter's newsletter to advance the leader's personal political beliefs.

This goes beyond statements expressly advocating for a specific candidate or party by name. Statements that incorporate campaign messaging, campaign slogans, and political positions identified with a particular candidate or party are also prohibited. No MOAA leader is authorized to use MOAA's or an affiliate's resources to communicate their personal political beliefs. This is an outright violation of the leader's fiduciary duty to the organization and a serious leadership and ethical failure.

DIVISIVE SOCIAL ISSUES

We are all aware of the divisive nature of the debate over today's leading social issues – protesting during the national anthem at sporting events, racial justice, public protests, and the conduct of law enforcement officers. These are issues over which many Americans have deeply held, but differing, personal beliefs. This is also true within the military community among the ranks of active duty and retired officers and within MOAA itself.

MOAA leaders have an obligation to keep this in mind when communicating on behalf of MOAA or its affiliates. Suggesting that MOAA only supports one side of a deeply divisive issue sends a message to those with a different belief that MOAA is not for them.

Officers today have grown up in a military culture that is very different than the past. Many are accepting of attitudes and views that were not mainstream when many of us were in uniform. If MOAA is going to connect with the newest generation of uniformed officers, it needs to be clear that those with strong views on racial and social justice imperatives are just as welcome as those who adhere to more traditional expressions of patriotism and officership.

**LIABILITY INSURANCE**

This plan provides coverage for lawsuits resulting from bodily injury and property damage at Chapter sponsored activities. If your Chapter typically rents space when it needs to gather for a meeting or special event, you may have discovered the owner of the property requires "special event" insurance. This coverage is typically very expensive to buy or doesn't fully protect you. That's why this plan was developed exclusively for MOAA Chapters!

Note for chapters with a current MOAA insurance policy: MOAA's Chapter Liability Insurance Plan is available through the current carrier until Dec. 31, 2023. Should your chapter bind a new or renewal policy prior to that date, the policy will be in-force for one year from the effective date. AMBA has evaluated several carriers and selected a new carrier, Philadelphia Insurance Companies, to continue to provide this valuable coverage with minimal disruptions. You will receive application instructions from AMBA via email, or mail if no email address is on file, approximately 75 days prior to your current policy's expiration date. If you have any questions or would like to apply for a new policy, please feel free to contact AMBA at (800) 503-9227, Monday–Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central time, or by email at plsdsteam.service@amba.info.

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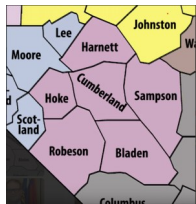
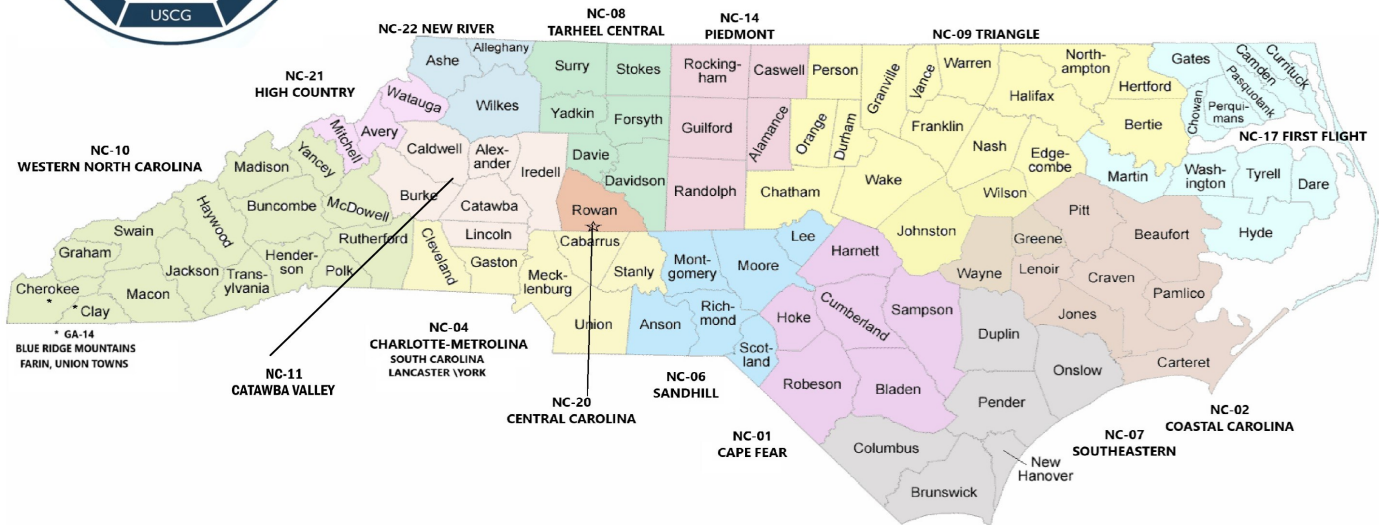
Florida Senate Committee Approves Stolen Valor Bill for Public Officials

by [The Center Square](#) | Mar 5, 2025

(SUMMATION) Senate Bill 348 passed the Military and Veterans Affairs, Space, and Domestic Security by a 6-0 vote. The bill would add to the state's code of ethics a prohibition on candidates and public officials from making false claims related to their military service for material gain. Penalties could include censure, a fine of \$25,000 and recommendation of removal from office. The bill would also expand the attorney general's authority to seek wage garnishment for unpaid fines. A similar measure is in the House Rules & Ethics Committee. Congress passed the Stolen Valor Act in 2013 that narrowed the crime to one of using false representations about military service to earn money or other benefits.



CHAPTER NEWS



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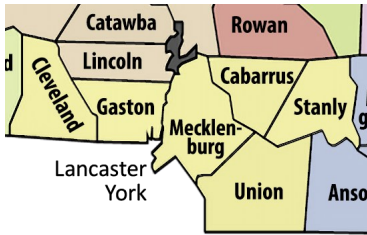


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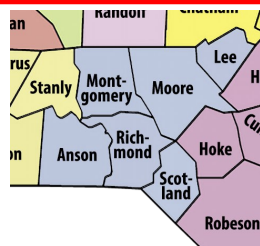
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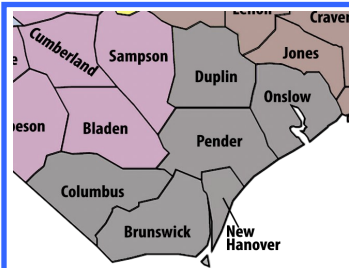
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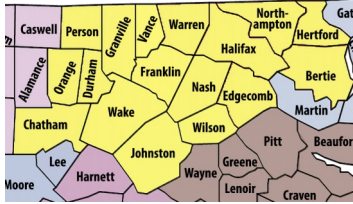
THE TARHEEL CENTRAL CHAPTER NC-08



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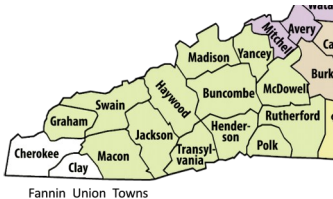
THE TRIANGLE CHAPTER NC-09



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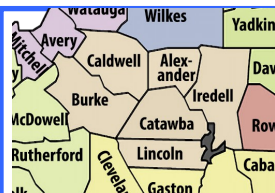


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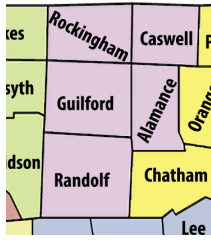
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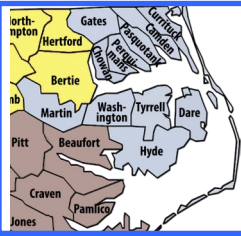
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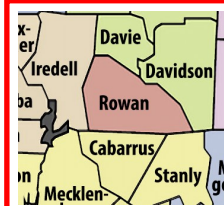


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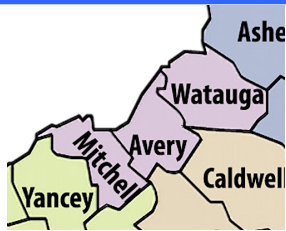
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CENTRAL CAROLINA CHAPTER NC-20

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Serving: Rowan County.



HIGH COUNTRY CHAPTER NC-21

High Country Chapter NC 21



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NEW RIVER CHAPTER NC-22



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NOTICE PLEASE READ

§ 143B-1222. Veterans' Affairs Commission Advisory Committee (VACAC) – members; compensation.

The department commander or official head of each veterans' organization which has been chartered by an act of the United States Congress and which is legally constituted and operating in this State pursuant to said charter shall constitute an Advisory Committee to the Veterans' Affairs Commission. Members of the VACAC shall receive per diem and necessary travel and subsistence expenses in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 138-5. (1977, c. 637, s. 3; 2015-241, s. 24.1(c); 2015-268, s.7.3(a).)



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NORTH CAROLINA & FEDERAL LEGISLATION

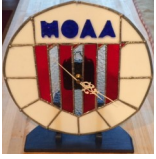
MOAA's Core Mission

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is the country's leading organization protecting the rights of uniformed servicemembers and their families. MOAA's constituents proudly hail from every branch of the uniformed services. To them, we have made the same promise that they have made to their country: Never Stop Serving.

MOAA's greatest mission is to improve the lives of those who serve and their families, which is achieved largely through the tireless advocacy efforts taking place in our nation's capital. For more than 90 years, MOAA has supported legislation that benefits the uniformed services community and has remained equally vigilant when fighting to stop legislation that threatens our livelihood. The larger our numbers, the greater our voice.

- Ensuring pay at or above Employment Cost Index, allowances, and programs necessary to recruit and retain a quality force.
- Concurrent Receipt of military retirement pay and VA disability pay.
- Maintaining the hold on medical billet reductions until required reports clarify how any cuts will fully support both readiness and beneficiary access to care.
- Reversing the degradation of the pharmacy benefit, specifically ensure access and achieve limits to copay increases.
- Requiring DoD to establish a transparent and well-publicized problem reporting system for TRICARE beneficiaries experiencing access challenges within the direct care system of military hospitals and clinics, including an annual report to Congress on the number and types of beneficiary access problem reports by MTF and steps taken by DHA to address systemic access problems.
- Monitoring recent major legislation enacted such as the PACT Act in the areas of health care, compensation, and follow-on support for surviving spouses and families and seek statutory or policy changes as required.
- Compelling Congress and VA to accelerate caregiving and whole health care services, and modernization of VHA workforce and facility infrastructure to improve veterans access to high quality care.
- Improving congressional support for uniformed services families: enhancing programs to support spouse employment, ensuring implementation of an effective basic needs allowance, and providing accessible, affordable childcare options.
- Overcoming the lack of effective problem-reporting mechanisms and resolution systems in the Military Health System.
- Repealing the recoupment of last month's paycheck after retiree's passing, and continue to improve SGLI/VGLI updates to match inflation.
- Improving DIC baseline to align with other government entitlements' baseline of 55%.

MOAA NEVER STOPS SERVING TO HONOR THEIR SERVICE AND HELP THEM RETIRE THE WAY THEY ENVISIONED.



MOAA NEWS & INFORMATION

“Never Stop Serving”

Pay Chapter Dues Online: See if your local chapter is participating in the [Chapter Dues Payment System](#)! Only THREE NC Chapters have used the new payment system.

The **Lake and Sumter Counties (Fla.) Chapter** presented \$3,000 to Villagers for Veterans, a nonprofit that ensures “veterans receive assistance in healing, a return to normalcy, and an independent lifestyle.” The funds will help pay for food and other amenities needed for daily living for residents of Ashley’s Cottage in Fruitland Park, a transitional home for women veterans. 。

The **Star Fort (S.C.) Chapter** is partnering with the City of Greenwood to recognize local veterans with banners on lamp posts for two weeks preceding and after Veterans Day. The double-sided vinyl banners include a photo of the veteran in uniform and their service branch and war/conflict served in.

The **Whidbey Island (Wash.) Chapter** recently presented awards to two junior officers, one from Sea Command and one from Shore Command. The recipients — Lt. Paige L. Bringham, Avionics Division officer, Fleet Air Reconnaissance Squadron, and Lt. J.G. Cameron Kinley, tactical watch officer, Theater Undersea Surveillance Command, Pacific — received from the chapter a glass engraved plaque and a challenge coin. In addition, the Oak Harbor Navy JROTC commander and five of his cadets performed the colors and a rifle drill at the event.

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Challenge Coin is now available for purchase for \$15.00. On the front, the chapter name runs above the US Flag and the MOAA motto rings the bottom. The NC state symbol is representative of the state flag in color and has a single white star located in Tarheel Central Chapter catchment area – Surry; Stokes; Yadkin; Forsyth; Davie; and Davidson counties. On the Back of the coin is the official MOAA logo. Address purchase inquiries to info@tarheelmoaa.org.



SOUTHEASTERN CHAPTER

With the help of Past President Joe Irrera, SENCLAND Chapter ordered and recently received our own Challenge Coins. We are selling these at Chapter events for \$5.00 each. Monies received over and above manufacturing costs will go back to the chapter. We started selling these at the 9/3/2024 chapter meeting and will make available at all subsequent meetings going forward.



CHARLOTTE-METROLINA CHAPTER

There's no better way to show your pride of MOAA and the Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter than wearing official merchandise, found at the [MOAA Store](https://www.moaa.org/store) online. There's a good selection of quality men's and women's apparel; it costs no more than you'd pay at the mall; and they deliver it to your front door. Wear it at official functions and in the community, where it can be a great conversation starter and generate more interest in our chapter from local veterans. Please check it out! Eric Kelly (USAF-Ret), Chapter Secretary. MOAA Chapter coins are available for \$10.00 at meetings or by contacting Susan Bryant at susrebbry@yahoo.com



Why MOAA chapter membership matters.



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If yes, which one(s)? _____

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