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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



IB Southerland Chairman of our Scholarship Award program has informed me that information will be sent out to our area high schools next week with applications for the scholarships due back the first week of April. His committee will then select two worthy candidates, each to receive a \$1500 scholarship, to be awarded at our May dinner meeting. Your continued support of the Scholarship Fund will make this possible. The next Triad Honor Flight takes off on the 30th of April. Make your donation to this worthy cause early this year so we can sponsor a Veteran to share in a day of honor at our nation’s memorials. I look forward to seeing you on the 11th of February. We are starting earlier, 5PM, to get us all home a little earlier but still allow for the cocktail social, the buffet dinner, adequate time for our meeting venue, and the guest speaker. Last month’s speaker Capt. Diane Dwan Poole’s account of special remembrances during her 2 tours as an Army nurse in Vietnam was outstanding. I am sure a US Navy F/A-18 Hornet pilot, who was an instructor at TOP Gun, will be just as enthralling on the 11th.



**The Tarheel Central Chapter Challenge Coin**  
Available for purchase at the monthly dinner meeting 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. Can't make the dinner meeting

and wish to purchase? Address purchase inquires to [info@tarheelmoaa.org](mailto:info@tarheelmoaa.org).



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**TARHEEL CENTRAL CHAPTER:**

**OUR MISSION STATEMENT** is in concert with the Military Officers Association of America purposes and objectives. The goal is to foster fraternal relations among retired, active, and former officers of the uniformed services and their Reserve and National Guard components. Our aim is to actively promote the protection of the rights and interests of members of the uniformed services, their family members, including survivors, provide useful services for members and their families, and serve the community, the active military forces (past, present, and future) and our nation.

**Editorial Policy:** The Tarheel Central Chapter is affiliated with The North Carolina Council of Chapters <https://www.moaa-nc.org/> and with MOAA national organization - <http://www.moaa.org>. As such, The Tarheel Central Chapter is nonprofit and politically nonpartisan. Editorial policies are established by the Tarheel Central Chapter Publisher and Editor and are in consonance with MOAA's guidelines. Advertising and sponsorship are accepted based on MOAA policies and standards. The Tarheel Central Chapter (NC08) is a 501(c) 19 organization. Membership includes active, retired, veteran, and reserve officers (Warrant - Flag Officer) of the Armed Forces, NOAA, US Public Health Services, and the surviving spouses of deceased eligible officers of all 8 uniformed services. MOAA is an independent, nonprofit, politically nonpartisan organization. 201 N. Washington St., Alexandria, Va. 22314 Phone: (800) 234-6622. "Never stop serving!" Use the Advocacy in Action section at: <https://www.moaa.org/content/take-action/advocacy-in-action/>.

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### **CHAPTER ADMINISTRATIVE VOLUNTEERS**

#### **Elected Officers:**

- **President** - Phil Briscoe, CAPT, USN (Ret)
- **First Vice President** – Tom Miller, Capt. USAF (Vet)
- **Second Vice President**– Barry N. Moore, MAJ, USMC (Ret) (Legislative Affairs)
- **Secretary** – Mary Laverdure, Capt USAF (Vet)
- **Treasurer** – Mike Chapman, CW4, ANG (Ret)
- **Immediate Past-President** - Gregory M. Chase, LtCol, USAF (Ret) (Nominations Committee) (Newsletter Editor)

#### **Directors:**

1. Ted. Robinson, Col, USMC (Ret) (Membership Committee)
2. I.B. Southerland III, Maj USAF (Ret) (Scholarship/R-JROTC Program Committee)

3. Jason Ford, LT USN (Ret) (Programs Committee)
4. Thomas B. Denegre III, LCDR USNR (Vet) (Website/Social Media)
5. Mark Ferketish, Col USMC (Ret)
6. Dennis Ammons, 1Lt, USA (Vet) (Personal Affairs)

#### **Chapter Assistants:**

- **Chaplain** – Dennis Lennon, CDR, USNR (Ret)
- **R-JROTC Programs** – Al Chandler, LTC (Ret)
- **Public Relations** – Al Nealeans, COL USA (Ret)
- **Social Secretary** – Warren Boyer, 1 Lt, USMCR (Vet)
- **Calling Chain** – Jerry Johnson, Col, USMCR (Ret)

**Note: Contact Info is available under the Directory Tab in the Tarheel Central Chapter Website:**

<https://www.tarheelmoaa.org/directory/>



### **From Tom Miller our 1st VP: MOAA -- REAL & VIRTUAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:**

- Tricare 2025 New Contractor, new Challenges
- Tricare For Life Enrollment Fees, Cost
- 3 Tips to Engage Your New Lawmakers (And Enhance MOAA’s Advocacy Efforts)
- MOAA’s Legislative Priorities for the 119th Congress
- Dole Act Becomes Law: What it means to Veterans and Caregivers

**All available on MOAA.org**

- MOAA National Conference 28-29 October 2025 at the Gaylord National Resort National Harbor Maryland
- Understanding Your Guard and Reserve Benefits, Feb 12<sup>th</sup>, 1300-1530
- What’s New for the Upcoming Tax Season? February 19, 2025 | 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM EST
- What You Need to Know About the Survivor Benefit Plan February 25, 2025 | 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM EST
- 2025 MOAA Charities Golf Tournament Potomac MD, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 0730-1539
- Archive of past MOAA Webinar training, various subjects, available at: <https://www.moaa.org/content/benefits-and-discounts/transition-and-careers/webinar-archive/> .
- For more info go to: <https://www.moaa.org/content/events/moaa-events/> and register!
- NC Council of Chapters MOAA Convention at Sea cruise from Norfolk to Bermuda, Oct 12, 2025, information at <https://www.moaa-nc.org/journal/index.php?id=1723050859>



### **Jason Ford, Programs Committee & Krista - NEXT CHAPTER MEETING and Scheduled speakers:**

1. FEB 11: The speaker for our February MOAA dinner meeting will be Kevin Hagenstad, CDR USN (Ret.) He flew the F/A-18 Hornet in the Middle East, then went through Top Gun and became an instructor there. After retiring from the Navy, he is flying for Jet Blue Airline: had an incredibly serious injury but made a miraculous recovery. It is clear your potential for recovery depends upon your attitude. Other bio notes: - He grew up in Annapolis, went to Annapolis High School; attended UNC Chapel Hill, Navy ROTC; followed by Flight School, Pensacola and Beeville, then Lemoore for

F/A-18 training. He was stationed with VFA-195 in Atsugi, Japan; had 2 cruises on board USS Independence; was selected as one of the first Strike Fighter Tactics Instructors (SFTI) and attended the Navy Fighter Weapons School (TOPGUN) in 1996. CDR Hagenstad taught Advanced Tactics from the Strike Fighter Weapons School Pacific 1996-1998; did a 2-year tour with VFA-113 as the SFTI; a 3rd cruise to the Persian Gulf; transitioned to the Reserves and served as Department Head and Executive Officer of VFA-203 in Atlanta. He has 2,000 hours in the F/A-18, 400+ carrier landings, 40 combat missions over Iraq and was selected as the west coast F/A-18 aviator of the year (1998) and Carrier Air Wing 14 aviator of the year (1998). He is currently Captain on the Airbus A320 for JetBlue, based in Ft Lauderdale. He has been married to Sloane for 32 years; they have two daughters Elise (26) and Whitney (25) and reside in Delray Beach.

2. MAR 11: Charles Tutt, Col. USMCR (Ret.); Ann Zuhr will present Vietnam Veterans pins to those who served and have not received one yet.
3. APR 08: Johnnie Pearson. North Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs
  - a. Location: 251 N Main St, Winston Salem, North Carolina, 27101-3914
  - b. Company Phone: (336) 725-8781
4. MAY 13: Presentation of JROTC Scholarships and Barry Moore will speak about his involvement in Operation Restore Hope in Somalia.
5. SEP: Possibly Erin Dearth of Letters From Home – to sing with her husband.

**DINNER MEETING – Check out the NEW Meeting Times – intended to get us home early!**

- 5PM -- Cocktail/Social begins
- 6PM -- To our seats for the Pledge, etc.
- 6:15PM -- Club Staff will direct us to the Buffet Line
- About 7PM -- The after-dinner programs start
- About 8:15PM -- We adjourn

**Next Regular Meeting, Tuesday, February 11, 2025, Cocktail hour starts at 5 PM, dinner buffet starts at 6:15**, SALEM GLEN COUNTRY CLUB, 1000 GLEN DAY DR., CLEMMONS, N.C. \$25.00 a person. The dress is business casual. **See the reservation form at the end for important details!** Reservations may be made by calling Jerry Johnson at (541) 280-5950 or [gaucho.johnson@gmail.com](mailto:gaucho.johnson@gmail.com).

**RAFFLE, RAFFLE, RAFFLE!** held at all Regular Dinner Meetings where you could win 10 times what you put into the pot. Tickets are \$1 and \$5 for six. So don't forget to bring some cash to dinner.



← Sign up to attend meetings with Jerry Johnson, aka The Roster Master, and Mike Chapman, Treasurer. Their contact info is on the Dinner Reservation Form at the end. Thanks to all who donated to Marine Toys for Tots.





**Public Relations: Al Nealeans** (pictured with Karen at left) is our new and enthusiastic promoter of chapter public relations who gets the word out to the Winston Salem Journal, Clemmons Courier and WXII News. So, if you know any additional avenues for publicity, please contact him at: Alan Nealeans, 336-403-5254 or [alan.nealeans@yahoo.com](mailto:alan.nealeans@yahoo.com)



**Mary Laverdure, Secretary**

"In accordance with the Chapter Bylaws Amendments - "Each elected officer shall have a designated assistant to assure a smooth continuation of Chapter functions in the event of an unforeseen absence or resignation."

Please contact me if you are interested.

**Mark Ferketish – Board Director** Fellow TCC Members, your fellow chapter members recently participated in a very moving event which I will share it with you.

**NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY** is a program of volunteers and organizations who sponsor wreath purchases and place these wreaths annually on the graves of deceased Veterans. National Wreaths Across America Day involves over 4,900 locations across the nation, at sea, and around the globe, laying many thousands of wreaths on this single day. I invite you to save the date, Saturday, December 13, 2025, and plan to honor our deceased Veterans by joining in and laying a gravesite wreath.



As Officers of the US Military, we are charged with taking care of our troops. Through Wreaths Across America, we have the opportunity to honor and care for our deceased Veterans through this noteworthy action of laying a wreath. More info to follow.

Semper Fidelis, Col G. Mark Ferketish, USMCR (Ret)



**Tom Denegre – Webmaster, see our Facebook page:**  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1285830908624290>



**CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT/MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS:**

Thank you to those members at the January meeting who so graciously welcomed our three prospective members who were guests that night: Kevin Hart, Tom Gatewood, and Joseph Graham. All three expressed a strong interest in becoming members.

There are twelve very qualified prospective members we have identified, but the Chapter will always need more. Once again, it takes all of us to “keep our lights on” for military officers who would make good Tarheel Central Chapter members. Wearing your military apparel is the best way to do this.

The Membership Committee conducts formal membership recruitment, and each Committee member is available to assist you when you meet a prospect. The committee members are Dennis Ammons, Pam Angle, Jerry Johnson, Alan Nealeans, Hank Rudge, Mark Stanek, Laurie Wesely, and Ted Robinson, Chair. The February Membership Committee meeting will be held on Monday February 10th, 2025, for lunch from 12:30 – 2:00 PM

at Salem Glen CC. If you would like to know more about what we do and/or would like to attend the meeting, please call Ted Robinson, (478) 719-7596.

Please contact Committee Chair Ted Robinson at (478) 719-7596 or [tedrobinson128@gmail.com](mailto:tedrobinson128@gmail.com).

**TARHEEL CENTRAL CHAPTER DUES:** Dues were approved for \$45 per year. Invoices have gone out. Please call Mike Chapman at (919) 601-3800 if you have any questions.

**MOAA / CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM:**

Membership is open to active duty, former, retired, and National Guard and Reserve commissioned and warrant officers of the uniformed services and their surviving spouses.

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is the country's leading organization protecting the rights of military servicemembers and their families. Those who belong to MOAA not only lend their voices to a greater cause, but they also gain access to extensive benefits tailored to the needs and lifestyles of military officers. To apply for Chapter and National membership, please use the Application Form titled "THE LARGER OUR NUMBERS, THE GREATER YOUR VOICE. Why MOAA chapter membership matters." Use the Form at the end of this newsletter. Or go to our Chapter website at: <https://www.tarheelmoaa.org/about/>

**SOCIAL SECRETARY:** Your Social Secretary is Warren Boyer, 336 407-2374



**CANADIAN BRASS!** 35th Anniversary Celebration! **February 15, 2025 at 7:30 PM at Wait Chapel, Wake Forest University:** 2 hours, including intermission, an extraordinary celebration of Piedmont Wind Symphony's 35 Anniversary Season, featuring the most famous brass quintet in the world. Canadian Brass will take the stage to perform some of their most exciting and beloved pieces alongside the symphony. Get Tickets at: <https://triad-city-beat.evnt.events/events/canadian-brass-with-piedmont-wind-symphony-2-15-2025> Conductor Emeritus Rob Simon will make a triumphant return to lead the ensemble, joined by alumni who have performed with the symphony over the last 35 years. Piedmont Wind Symphony, Mark A. Norman Artistic Director / Conductor; Rob Simon Guest Conductor.

**"FREE SALEM BAND WINTER CONCERT"! Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, at 3:00 PM, Hanes Auditorium, Ebersson FAC, Salem Academy & College, featuring baritone soloist Jacob Cook, Eileen Young, Music Director/Conductor – <https://salemband.org/>**

Warren Boyer, [wboyer7210@gmail.com](mailto:wboyer7210@gmail.com), 336 407-2374

**SURVIVING SPOUSE NEWS: CHAPTER ASSISTANT NEEDED.** For our Surviving Spouses here is the link to MOAA Surviving Spouse data <https://www.moaa.org/content/about-moaa/meet-our-leaders/surviving-spouse-advisory-committee/surviving-spouse-corner/> Please contact Greg Chase (Nominations Committee) if you are interested in volunteering to be the chapter Surviving Spouse Liaison. It is not a requirement that you be a surviving spouse. Activities include monitoring the MOAA website for surviving spouse issues, keeping the chapter members and surviving spouses informed through the newsletter and personal announcements at the dinners, keeping our surviving spouses involved and recruiting surviving spouses."

**TARHEEL CENTRAL CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:** I.B. Southerland, Chair - The JROTC Scholarship selection



process for our 2025 selectees will begin in January 2025. Please continue to accept the DAVE HARRIS CHALLENGE to donate at least \$100 to the JROTC Scholarship Fund each year. Mission: To provide scholarships to those deserving of help in pursuit of further education, preferably leading toward a military career.

**ROTC/JROTC Programs:** Al Chandler Program Coordinator: This past year Tarheel Central Chapter presented 14 MOAA JROTC medals and certificates amongst the 22 high schools in our 6-county catchment. Ten were presented at the Winston-

Salem/Forsyth County Joint Services Review on 22 MAY 2024. The other 4 were presented to: N. Davidson HS-USAFA; S. Stokes HS-USMC; E. Surry HS-ARMY; and Surry Central HS-USAFA. One ROTC Award was presented 25 April 2024 at the Wake Forest SROTC Awards Ceremony which includes Salem College & Winston-Salem State Univ. cadets

The MOAA Junior ROTC (JROTC)/ROTC awards program recognizes outstanding cadets or midshipmen in their next-to-last year in the program who have demonstrated exceptional potential for military leadership. If you would like to assist in this excellent way to help the chapter gain exposure in the community and, at the same time, foster a positive military recognition among the youth of the community, please contact Al.

#### **TARHEEL CENTRAL CHAPTER OUTREACH:**

**Your Board of Directors has determined the following worthy causes are deserving of our donations. As with the Scholarship Fund, donations can be sent to the Chapter Treasurer directly or included in your check for annual dues or monthly dinners. Just note on the check which cause you are supporting. We will ensure your donations get to your designated worthy cause.**

**TRIAD HONOR FLIGHT:** To celebrate America's veterans by inviting them to share in a day of honor at our nation's memorials. It cost \$600.00 per participant. **Vision:** A nation where all of America's veterans experience the honor, gratitude, and community of support they deserve. For more information visit: <https://www.honorflight.org/>

**TOYS FOR TOTS: Mission:** to collect new unwrapped toys and distribute those toys to less fortunate children at Christmas. **Goal:** through the gift of a new toy, help bring the joy of Christmas and send a message of hope to America's less fortunate children. For more information visit: <https://winston-salem-nc.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/default.aspx?nPageID=0&nPreviewInd=0&nRedirectInd=3>

**MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MUD RUN: A CHARITY EVENT** hosted by Marine Corps League Percy John Fulton Detachment #1075 Winston-Salem, NC. **SUPPORTING** the following Charities: Semper Fi & America's Fund, Camp Lejeune, NC / The Fisher House at Camp Lejeune, NC / Toys for Tots / Young Marines Youth Program, NC / State Veterans Home, Salisbury, NC / Wreathes Across America, National Cemetery, Salisbury, NC / City Lights Ministry, Winston Salem, NC / Savings Grace K-9, Lexington, NC / The Hero's Center, High Point, NC / Irreverent Warriors. For more information visit: <https://usmcmudrunnc.com/event-information/general-information/>

## CHAPTER PERSONAL AFFAIRS



Please notify Dennis Ammons, Personal Affairs officer, if you hear that a member or spouse is having difficulties. Dennis A. Ammons, [dennis.a.ammons@gmail.com](mailto:dennis.a.ammons@gmail.com); 336 491-4123.

### THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS LIST:

1. Peter Armstrong - Both Pete and His Mother-in-law very ill
2. Carey Brown (John Brown) - Serious Illness
3. Barb Carter (Jere Carter) - Serious Illness
4. RC Moore - Death of Spouse (Nancy)
5. Dale Wallace - Death of Spouse (Howard Wallace)

### A LIVELY HAPPY BIRTHDAY APPLAUSE TO:

Please notify Jerry Johnson, our roster manager, if you would like to be included on the Birthday List!



### Birthdays for February:

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|-----------------|------|
| 1. Horace Foil  | 2/4  |
| 2. Bud Martin   | 2/7  |
| 3. Al Chandler  | 2/13 |
| 4. John Palmer  | 2/13 |
| 5. James Gorham | 2/25 |
| 6. Ray Ragusky  | 2/13 |



**LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS – Barry N. Moore:** What is the VA doing related to “claims predators”? Veteran Benefits Administration (VBA) launched a communications campaign to address the topic of “claims predators”, which are defined as “bad actors” that try to unlawfully charge Veterans a fee to “help” them process their claims with the VA. They often use aggressive communication techniques to contact Veterans with promises of expedited claims processing times and higher disability ratings in exchange for high fees. VA urges Veterans to only use VA accredited attorneys, claims agents and Veterans Service Organization representatives when filing for benefits to protect their benefits and avoid unlawful fees.

The VA is committed to ensuring all Veterans can safely and securely navigate the VA benefits process without falling victim to claims predators. If a Veteran suspects a representative acted unlawfully or unethically while assisting them in filing a VA benefits claim, they should file a report at [VSAFE.gov](https://vsa.gov) or by calling 833-38V-SAFE. To learn more about fraud, predatory practices targeting the Veteran community and how to protect their benefits from fraud, visit Protecting Veterans From Fraud.

### North Carolina Top Three Veteran Priorities for 2025

1. Updating Veteran Property Tax Exemptions:
2. Supporting Veteran In-State Housing/Care Programs:
  - a. Veteran State Homes Program Improvements:
  - b. WNC Veterans Restoration Quarters (VRQ) Rebuild:
3. Occupational Certification Portability & Economic Opportunities for

Military/Veterans/Spouses (Subset of the Defense State Liaison Office (DSLO) Priorities): <https://statepolicy.militaryonesource.mil/about> our Liaison is Samantha Sliney, Southeast Regional Liaison, Southeast Region (AL, FL, GA, KY, NC, SC, TN). See also: <https://statepolicy.militaryonesource.mil/faq>

### Dear Fellow Tarheel Chapter Members:

I'm hearing more and more talk in the VA concerning long term effects from past exposure to jet fuel. The Tar Heel MOAA Chapter has several who served in an air wing, or worked on the ground around jet fuel (including



HASMAT, refueling, and fire control assignments). This is the link for anyone that wants to look into it more: <https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/CMR-VA1-00189958>

There is growing science behind information that connects work related jet fuel exposure to some diseases or illnesses. Unfortunately, there aren't that many other similar topic studies, but the following are four highlights from this one.

Some points to consider if you have encountered any of these post-military:

1. Mental health: Decreased attention, ability to process information, difficulty controlling behaviors and emotions, as well as effects on mood.
2. Nervous system: Effects on memory, hearing impairment, or with vision.
3. Respiratory system: Decreased lung function and increased lung damage leading to respiratory symptoms such as labored breathing or dyspnea, cough with phlegm, and stuffy and runny nose.
4. Some cancers that involve kidneys and/or bladder.

If you feel your health has been impacted from your military service, the VA encourages you to file a claim for disability compensation. As with all VA claims, each is considered on a case-by-case basis.

Thanks/Barry N. Moore

### **MOAA'S CORE MISSION**

On the MOAA national web site relating to advocacy letters to elected officials, look at this link as an example: <https://www.moaa.org/content/publications-and-media/news-articles/2019-news-articles/advocacy/bill-could-block-military-medical-cuts/>

The Advocacy in Action link below (**TAKE ACTION**) will provide you Advocacy in Action Printable Letters of Support for the topics MOAA is actively supporting.

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.**

**It's easy! Go to this website and [TAKE ACTION: https://moaa.quorum.us/](https://moaa.quorum.us/)**

**NORTH CAROLINA COUNCIL OF CHAPTERS (NCCOC):** Current contact for NC state legislative affairs is **Tricia A. Vinson, LTC(R), Army**, MOAA NCCOC 3rd VP State Legislation, [Wing23pav@gmail.com](mailto:Wing23pav@gmail.com); 757-617-3343.



**NCCOC Top Priorities for State Legislature:** Please note, we recognize there may be overlap between the priorities, but that is due to emphasis and done on purpose. We actually had 5 top priorities, rather than three, although 2 and 3 actually can be listed together since both fit under the DMVA and their budget and 4 & 5 are actually connected and could be listed as a single priority.

1. **Updating Veteran Property Tax Exemptions:** Revisiting eligibility criteria for property tax relief based on disability ratings, home value caps, surviving spouse qualifications, and other considerations. This has consistently been a top concern for our chapter members. Veteran property tax exemptions (usually based on percentage of disability rating, but relook eligibility criteria, amount of home value/full or partial tax exemption, surviving spouse qualification, age criteria, etc.). This can also include the Disabled Veteran Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption if that bill is resubmitted, so this is not just limited to real estate, but that is the primary focus.
2. **Veteran State Homes Program Improvements:** Addressing management and funding for the five state-managed homes, including the unexpected closure of the Fayetteville home earlier this year. Key areas include How they are managed, what is to be done with the home in Fayetteville, how the State home trust is managed, and will the homes be expanded or funds provided to veterans to other homes within the state structure can all be under this umbrella.
3. **DMVA Budget and Priorities:** Veteran Cemetery operational management, VSO support state-wide/salary commiserate with other departments, restoring the Veteran Trust Fund to its original purpose, & not general-purpose veteran project fund, Veteran cemetery trust fund perpetual care support from the state, and similar needs. As a subset of state veteran programs and due to the Hurricane Helene storm damage: WNC Veterans Restoration Quarters (VRQ) Rebuild: Sec. Martin has inspected with Gov. Cooper the destroyed VRQ and has it on his list for getting repaired/fixed. Supporting the rebuilding efforts for the VRQ in Asheville, which was destroyed during Helene, displacing approximately 200 male homeless veterans. Contributions from organizations like Lowe's, Team Rubicon, and Veteran's Bridge Home have jumpstarted this effort, and it remains a critical local priority for WNC. The WNC-MOAA chapter supports the VRQ in many ways, to include help in the kitchen and with serving food, etc.. We believe this will be on the Department of Military Veteran Affairs' (DMVA) priorities list that has to support veterans across the state.

4. **Occupational Certification Portability & Economic Opportunities for Military/Veterans/Spouses:** Enhancing state-level occupational licensing portability and supporting interstate compacts, which benefit active-duty personnel, veterans, and their family's seeking employment in North Carolina. We have been working these for several years and suggest supporting any compacts, etc. that support this effort. This is one of DSLO's top 10 priority efforts.
5. **Defense State Liaison Office (DSLO) Priorities:** Supporting initiatives like aligning state laws with federal policies (Title 10 & 38 CFR), Space Force recognition, make NC compatible with other states/federal policies for eligibility of benefits. Also includes remote driver license & vehicle license. Renewal; military family special needs, military family childcare, military interpersonal violence and family antidiscrimination status.

For any questions or clarification, please contact Patricia A. Vinson, LTC(R), USA, MOAA NCCOC, VP State Legislative Advocacy, [Wing23pav@gmail.com](mailto:Wing23pav@gmail.com), 757-617-3343.



**The MOAA (Military Officers Association of America) Donna Culp** (on the cover of this month's MOAA Magazine!) is available for veterans to apply for crisis relief due to **Hurricane Helene (September 27, 2024)**. NOT a loan, these are grants that can be approved for up to \$1,000 per individual / family applying. The purpose of this email is to provide a source of information to pass along to veterans who have been directly affected by **Hurricane Helene** and could benefit from some financial assistance. All you need to do is provide the following information for the veteran to apply to the MOAA Foundation Crisis Relief Program at: <https://moaacharities.smapply.us> This link will provide the eligibility criteria and instruction guide. Applicants don't have to be members of MOAA and is available to currently serving (including National Guard

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- Miscellaneous (must specify on the application)

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Sincerely, Donna Culp, Capt. USAF (Former); Immediate Past President, WNC Military Officers Association of America (MOAA); Education Committee Chair, NCCOC (North Carolina Council of Chapters (NCCOC) 252-548-2265; [cmomwow@yahoo.com](mailto:cmomwow@yahoo.com)

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### **What a Key DoD Report Gets Right About Pay, Benefits, and Quality of Life** by Cory Titus, January 22, 2025

Sailors assigned to USS Michael Murphy (DDG-112) reunite with family after returning to Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Hawaii, in December. (Photo by Ensign Paula Hackbart/Navy)

Many of the recommendations found in DoD's latest look at military pay and benefits echoed MOAA's advocacy efforts to secure compensation improvements and a better overall quality of life for those who serve.

The congressionally mandated [14th Quadrennial Review of Military Compensation](#) (QRMC), released last week, serves as a cornerstone of the continuing discussion on military compensation and sets the stage

for many of MOAA's legislative goals. While the report is due every four years, the marker that kicks off DoD's work is a memorandum from the president detailing specific issues to examine. Past reports have been limited in their scope; for the first time, this QRMC took a more expansive look at dual-income households and the real-world challenges facing servicemembers and their families.



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Some of the QRMC findings:

- **A Step Above:** The report found servicemembers are better compensated, on average, than their civilian peers. Given the high standards of the military and the low propensity to serve, this finding is expected; this level of compensation is necessary to recruit and retain the all-volunteer force.
- **An Unstable Setup:** Despite the high compensation level, the report raises concerns over “pay volatility.” Methods used to determine housing allowances and cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs, found overseas and in high-cost U.S. regions), to include frequent surveys and flawed models, lead to large increases and decreases in pay that negatively affect servicemembers and their families when their duty location changes.
- **Valuing ‘Noncash Compensation’:** The QRMC recognized benefits such as housing, health care, and child care, as well as morale, welfare, and recreation (MWR) programs, for role they play in our community. Its authors found that “targeted noncash compensation may offer better returns on investment” for servicemembers and military families.

This last, important finding follows with what MOAA and other military service organizations have been saying about these programs and their impact on quality of life issues. MOAA was able to testify before the House Armed Services (HASC) Quality of Life panel, which included many of [our recommendations](#) in [its report](#). Many of the report’s recommendations were adopted as part of the FY 2025 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA).

**QRMC Recommendations**

The panel report proved valuable for DoD, and the QRMC recommended “a periodic quality-of-life review” that could “inform the Department of trends in the quality of noncash compensation and benefits to assist in targeting investments.”

Additionally, the QRMC report called for expanding a [MOAA-backed provision](#) that would offer tax credits to small businesses for waiving retirement vesting periods for military spouse employees. Current law restricts these tax credits to businesses with less than 100 employees.

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The report also recommends a review of entitlements for deployed servicemembers – another recommendation in support of MOAA’s advocacy work. Combat-zone tax exemptions work as an additional tool to recognize the service and sacrifice of those in harm’s way, but this designation is not reviewed regularly, meaning hotspots like Africa are not given the tax exemptions while places where servicemembers no longer serve remain on the list.

The report also identified areas for improvement in housing allowance and COLA calculation. MOAA highlighted the need for these improvements to the HASC Quality of Life panel given the volatility many servicemembers and families experienced, especially during the pandemic.

The QRMC also recommended:

- Updating the regular military compensation benchmark from the 70th to the 75th percentile.
- Improving communications with servicemembers regarding their total compensation package and its comparative quality to comparable civilians.
- Improving “constructive credit” afforded to lateral entrants who join the military with already established and much-needed skill sets, such as surgeons.

The QRMC is a valuable resource for MOAA’s advocacy work and when its recommendations align with our priorities, we will work to advance them. To stay current on MOAA’s work, be sure to sign up for the Legislative Action Center and subscribe to *The MOAA Newsletter*.

**[New Congress, New Opportunities: Sign Up for MOAA's Legislative Action Center](#) by Brenden McMahon, January 22, 2025.** As the 119th Congress begins its work, MOAA is ready to champion critical issues for the uniformed services and veteran communities. With new legislative priorities in focus, now is the perfect time to join the effort and ensure your voice is heard.

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At MOAA, people are our cornerstone. Our priorities for the 119th Congress reflect our commitment to protecting compensation and benefits, ensuring access to top-tier DoD and VA health care, and addressing the unique challenges faced by military families and veterans. These efforts underscore MOAA's unwavering dedication to those who serve and have served. You can review those priorities [at this link](#).

In the coming weeks, MOAA will roll out new campaigns via the Legislative Action Center, allowing you to contact your legislators with just a few clicks. Stay tuned for updates at MOAA.org and in *The MOAA Newsletter* to learn how you can take action.

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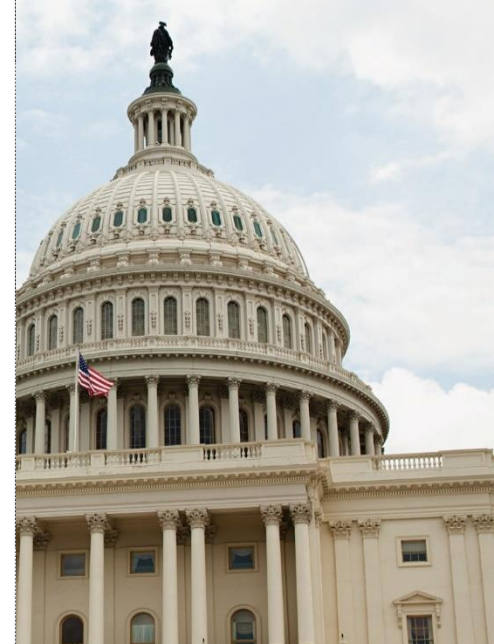


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