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## CALENDAR EVENTS

Chapter Events are Delayed or Canceled Until Fleet Landing Re-opens - Anticipated to be during or after COVID Phase 3:

**1 June:** 7:00 PM Webinar with member Dan Morin - "UnCruise Adventures" - registration required (See Mayport Poop Sheet)

**14 June:** U.S. Army (USA) Birthday and Flag Day

**21 June:** Father's Day

**24 June-** 12:30 MOAA Presents Program. Lunch preceding at 11:00 (RSVP) (Cancelled)

**4 July:** Independence Day Celebrated at Fleet Landing

**16 July:** United States Public Health Service (USPHS) Birthday 1798

**4 August:** United States Coast Guard (USCG) Birthday 1790

**6 August:** Hiroshima Bombing

**9 August:** Nagasaki Bombing

**7 September:** Labor Day Holiday

## MAYPORT MESSENGER

(Newsletter for Florida Chapter 51 - FL51)

### Message From 77th Secretary of the Navy

5/29/2020

By Secretary of the Navy Kenneth J. Braithwaite,

WASHINGTON (NNS) -- To Sailors, Marines, and all men and women of the Department of the Navy serving across this great world: Today marks the honor of my life, taking the oath of office to become the 77th but more importantly...Your Secretary of the Navy.

I am incredibly humbled to stand before You, the greatest Navy and Marine Corps in the world to accept this responsibility. For nearly 35 years, I like you have served Our country; first as a US Naval Officer deploying around the world to include sailing into "Harms Way" and most recently as our US Ambassador to Norway, a nation important to our national security. Never have I ever doubted why we serve...to protect and defend the greatest nation on earth...the United States of America!

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## CALENDAR EVENTS (Continued)

**18 September 2020** - POW / MIA Day Program & Celebration - Joe Ruthenberg leading with Bill Weimer assisting. Johnson Hall reserved 10:00 to Noon for program.

**September / October:** Planning an update by Councilman Rory Diamond and CAPT Mark Vlaun, USCG Jacksonville Sector

**2 November:** No-Dough-Dinner at USO Mayport honoring former Chapter Director and Friend COL Denny Tomlin, USMC (Ret)

**November:** Annual Chapter Meeting - Johnson Hall

**November:** Healthcare veterans pinning ceremony - Johnson Hall

**11 November:** Veteran's Day celebrated at Fleet Landing

**26 November:** Thanksgiving - No Cost Dinner at USO Mayport for military families

**25 December:** Christmas - No Cost Dinner at USO Mayport for military families

**8-10 January 2021:** Annual FCoC Leadership Seminar, Rosen Center, Orlando

**13-16 May 2021:** Annual FCoC Convention

Department has exemplified the strength and resilience of the nation we represent.

Through tragedy and triumph, in both peace and in war, the source of our strength has been three simple but extremely powerful words: Honor, Courage, and Commitment.

As each of you know, they must be our guide stars as we navigate challenges around the globe. We can never forget that they are written in the blood of those who sailed before us: from John Paul Jones to Doris Miller...from Grace Hopper to Jason Dunham, all part of a formidable anchor chain of service through which each of You is an important part.

Make no mistake, we face significant challenges today. Our Nation is up against perhaps the greatest test of our commitment to the ideals we hold dear than at any time in our history...surely since the end of World War II. We must recognize this challenge for all it is and all it presents, lurking in the shadows of deceit or the depths of dishonesty.

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## Membership

27 April 2020: 95 members.

**Still looking for 2020 dues from 7 members.**

## "Take Action"

**Key Bills/Items: <http://takeaction.moaa.org>**

### **MOAA's Legislative Mission for 2020**

1. **Protect Gold Star spouses during future shut downs**
2. **Support concurrent receipt for disabled retirees**
3. **Extend CHAMPVA coverage**
4. **Jobs & Childcare for Military Families Act**

### **KEY BILLS:**

**HR 333** - Concurrent Receipt

**HR 413** - Small businesses credit to hire guard/reserve

**HR 847** - Protect Coast Guard pay

### **ON DECK FOR:**

Temporary Waiver of TriCare Mail Order Fees during COVID-19 Crisis

However, our Navy and Marine Corps have faced tough times before. Each time we have prevailed and we will persevere again. It is our sacred duty and we shall do so by relying on Our core values, the bedrock of Our service and the key to Our success: Honor, Courage, and Commitment.

The object of success for our service is simple: American Seapower. America always has been and always will be a maritime nation. America and our principles of freedom rely on seapower delivered by a strong and capable Navy and Marine Corps. Each of You provides that power through Your actions each day -- actions that demonstrate our resolve to place service above self.

I look forward to the days ahead to do all I can on your behalf, ensuring that you have the opportunity to thrive and succeed in your service to Our Nation.

American Seapower will continue to defend Our Nation, and American Seapower will continue to preserve peace while deterring any and all that would challenge our way of life. And when or if we find it necessary, American Seapower WILL decisively win in battle which is our solemn duty because there can be no alternative.

Please accept my personal appreciation which I sincerely send to every one of you for your selfless service,

## Personal Affairs Corner

The Personal Affairs Council is Chaired by Pat Kluever, with co-Vice Chairs Chaplains Beryl Hubbard and Bill Weimer.

The Council supports the Fleet Landin Bereavement Team led by Frank Donnelly for residents & fully supports the needs of non-resident members.

Points of contact for Personal Affairs Support are Pat Kluever #116 at (540) 775-4955, Beryl Hubbard (904) 241-3252, Bill Weimer (904) 246-1892, and Peggy Steck (904) 246-5804

**Non-member clergy are welcome to offer support to the Council and support teams as available.**

your devotion to duty and for your Honor, Courage, and Commitment. I am privileged to stand with you, the greatest Navy and Marine Corps the world has ever known in your service to the People of America. Godspeed to You and us all in this Great Endeavor!

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## Congress: Evaluate Military Health System Reform against COVID-19 Lessons Learned

By: Lt. Gen. Dana Atkins USAF (Ret) President and CEO

### Understanding the Issue

MOAA urges Congress to include legislation in the FY 2021 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) to stop all medical billet reductions and military treatment facility (MTF) restructuring. This is necessary to ensure lessons learned from this current pandemic inform the strategy for not only the Department of Defense (DoD) but for the whole of our government when it comes to a national response to a pandemic, natural or man-made disaster, or any other crisis.

Military health system (MHS) reform mandated by the FY 2017 NDAA is

## Chapter Progress

- 27 JAN 2020: Submitted 2019 Communications input for Chapter - **Received 5-Star Award - Newsletter**
- 20 FEB 2020: Filed 990-N form with IRS for 2019
- 20 FEB 2020: Received Florida certificate and paid fees Doc#N18000002705
- 25 FEB 2020: Request submitted for Foundation Community Outreach grant - **Received \$5K for No-Dough-Dinners at USO Mayport & \$5K COVID Response Grant**
- 15 APR 2020: Submitted 2019 Level of Excellence input for Chapter

## Planned Work

- Stand up the MOAA Mayport Foundation - a non-profit 501(c)3 for tax deductible donations

## NEXT EDITION

- Planned for Monday 29 June 2020.

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based on an analysis of medical readiness requirements and direct care system capabilities and capacities conducted years before the COVID-19 pandemic. Once the coronavirus emergency has passed, MHS reform strategy must be re-evaluated along with national medical capabilities such as the VA, USPHS, HHS, CDC, and others.

## DoD's Crisis Response Mission

When the nation needs help, it turns to the uniformed services; that's happening today, and likely for the foreseeable future. Navy hospital ships are providing additional capacity to coastal cities. The Commissioned Corps of the U.S. Public Health Service has dispatched clinical strike teams of medical personnel to assist with the coronavirus response. Army medical personnel from Fort Campbell, Ky., Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash., and Fort Hood, Texas, have deployed to heavily impacted communities.

In an emergency, DoD supplements civilian health and medical systems when state and local resources become overwhelmed. The crisis response mission mandates a level of critical reserve capacity within the MHS and the whole of government to meet these needs during these critical moments.

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DoD plays a unique role in a national medical emergency. Civilian health care systems have little incentive to maintain excess capacity, limiting their ability to absorb an influx of patients. While the Veterans Health Administration's "Fourth Mission" is to support national, state, and local emergency preparedness, much of its capacity is in fixed infrastructure; it is not postured to mobilize to combat a pandemic. Only the uniformed services have a deployable capability to bolster capacity where it is needed most. This in itself mandates DoD retain expanded medical capacity in both people and equipment.

### **Why Pausing MHS Reform Is Not Enough**

The Defense Health Agency (DHA) has assured beneficiaries all changes to MTF capacity will be conditions-based. The agency reports it has requested some MHS transformation activities be delayed due to the COVID-19 crisis, noting minimal reform progress is expected during this emergency. Once this crisis has passed, DHA intends to resume transition activities. MOAA believes simply pausing the current strategy is not enough.

This crisis will yield many lessons learned for the nation's entire medical system and, potentially, a new vision for DoD's role in future nationwide medical emergencies. When this crisis has passed, DoD should not simply move ahead with reform designed around pre-COVID evaluations of the MHS.

### **What's at Stake**

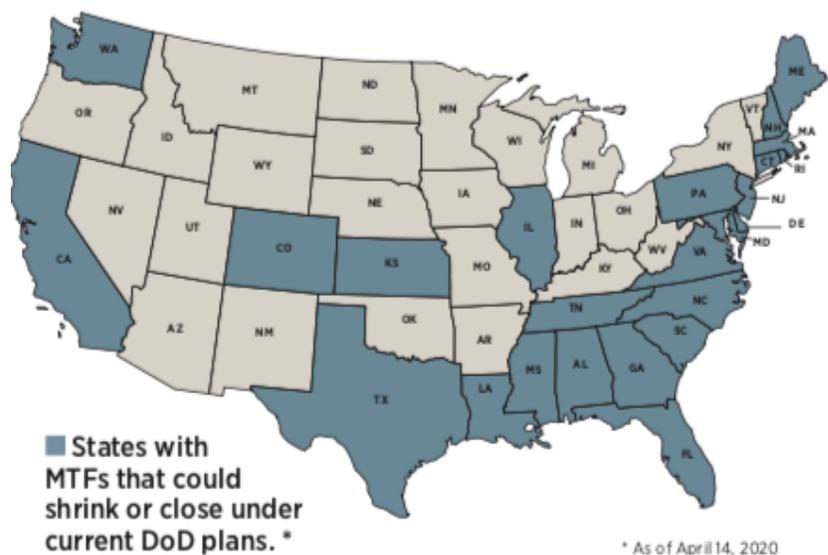
The proposed FY 2021 DoD budget would cut approximately 18,000 medical personnel, or nearly 20% of uniformed medical billets. MHS reform also includes restructuring the direct care system of military hospitals and clinics, including the potential closure or downsizing of 48 MTFs.

These cuts have yet to take place, but even with existing medical personnel levels, there are indications that current MHS capacity is insufficient to address the COVID-19 pandemic. Only a handful of communities are receiving DoD medical assistance, and the Army has issued a voluntary recall of medical personnel to fill the roles of current uniformed providers normally assigned to installation MTFs who have been deployed elsewhere. So far, we have minimal insights on how COVID-19 medical personnel deployments will impact service member and beneficiary access to essential medical care at military hospitals and clinics.

This unprecedented situation demands an updated analysis of medical readiness requirements and optimal direct care system capacity, incorporating lessons learned from the COVID-19 response. We must ensure our military medical system can work in support of a national capacity to fulfill the crisis response mission without compromising access to essential medical care for the force and other military beneficiaries.

### The List

These 48 Military Treatment Facilities will close or downsize under current DoD plans, or have already closed/downsized and will not be restored under current plans:



**Alabama**

- Maxwell Air Force Base outpatient facility
- Redstone Arsenal outpatient facility

**California**

- Fort Irwin outpatient clinic
- Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Rancho Bernardo clinic
- Presidio of Monterey outpatient facility
- San Onofre Marine Corps Base health clinic

**Colorado**

- Fort Carson, Robinson-Carson outpatient clinic

**Connecticut**

- Naval Submarine Base New London, Naval Branch Health Clinic Groton

**Delaware**

- Dover Air Force Base outpatient facility

**Florida**

- MacDill Air Force Base outpatient facility
- MacDill Air Force Base, Sabal Park Community Clinic
- Patrick Air Force Base outpatient facility
- U.S. Southern Command (Miami), Gordon outpatient facility

**Georgia**

- Fort Benning, North Columbus-Benning clinic
- Marine Corps Logistics Base

Albany, Naval Branch Health Clinic Albany

- Robins Air Force Base outpatient facility

**Illinois**

- Rock Island Arsenal outpatient facility

**Kansas**

- Fort Leavenworth ambulatory surgery center
- Fort Riley, Farrelly Health Clinic

**Louisiana**

- Barksdale Air Force Base outpatient facility
- Naval Air Station Belle Chasse outpatient facility

**Massachusetts**

- Hanscom Air Force Base outpatient facility

**Maryland**

- Aberdeen Proving Ground, Kirk outpatient facility
- Fort Detrick, Barquist outpatient facility
- Fort Meade, Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Clinic
- Naval Air Station Patuxent River outpatient facility
- Naval Support Facility Indian Head outpatient facility

**Mississippi**

- Naval Technical Training Center Meridian outpatient facility

**North Carolina**

- Fort Bragg, Joel outpatient facility

- Fort Bragg, Robinson outpatient facility

**New Hampshire**

- Portsmouth Naval Shipyard outpatient facility (clinic in Kittery, Maine)

**New Jersey**

- Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst outpatient facility
- Naval Support Activity Lakehurst outpatient clinic
- Naval Weapons Station Earle, Colts Neck Earle outpatient facility

**Pennsylvania**

- New Cumberland Defense Distribution Center outpatient facility

**Rhode Island**

- Naval Station Newport, Naval Health Clinic New England

**South Carolina**

- Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, Naval Hospital Beaufort

**Tennessee**

- Naval Support Activity Mid-South outpatient facility

**Texas**

- Dyess Air Force Base outpatient facility
- Fort Hood Medical Home
- Fort Hood, Charles Moore Health Clinic
- Goodfellow Air Force Base outpatient facility
- Naval Air Station Corpus Christi outpatient facility

**Virginia**

- Naval Support Facility Dahlgren outpatient facility
- Fort Lee, Kenner Outpatient Clinic
- Joint Base Langley-Eustis, 633rd Medical Group
- Joint Base Langley-Eustis, McDonald Army Health Clinic

**Washington**

- Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Okubo Medical Home

## 22 MOAA Chapters Receive Community Outreach Grants MAY 07, 2019

*By Blair Drake, MOAA Contributing Editor*

MOAA chapters across the U.S. are giving back to the military community through programs that provide needed outreach, services, and recognition to service members, veterans, and military families.

To help fund and acknowledge these high-impact, local community programs, the [MOAA Foundation](#) is awarding \$79,400 in grants to 22 MOAA chapters through its Community Outreach Grant program. This is the foundation's third grant cycle. To date, it has awarded 47 grants totaling more than \$175,000.

This year's grant recipients are:

- [Charlotte-Metrolina \(N.C.\) Chapter](#)
- [Fort Campbell \(Tenn.\) Chapter](#)
- [Grand Strand \(S.C.\) Chapter](#)
- [Greater Dallas Chapter](#)
- [Historic Mayport \(Fla.\) Chapter](#)
- [Indian River \(Fla.\) Chapter](#)
- [Keowee \(S.C.\) Chapter](#)
- [Keystone Capital \(Pa.\) Chapter](#)
- [Kings Bay \(Ga.\) Chapter](#)
- [Luke \(Ariz.\) Chapter](#)
- [North DFW \(Texas\) Chapter](#)
- [North Texas Chapter](#)
- [Northwest Florida Chapter](#)
- [Sarasota \(Fla.\) Chapter](#)
- [South Alabama Chapter](#)
- [South Central Florida Chapter](#)
- [Southeast Idaho Chapter](#)
- [Southeastern Wisconsin Chapter](#)
- [Southeastern North Carolina Chapter](#)
- [Southwest Oklahoma Chapter](#)
- [Tampa \(Fla.\) Chapter](#)
- [Treasure Coast \(Fla.\) Chapter](#)

To be eligible to receive a grant, councils or chapters must meet basic administration requirements and be actively involved in the delivery of community services in one of nine areas of critical family need: housing, food assistance, employment, health (including behavioral health), family support, community reintegration, financial assistance, legal assistance, and transportation.

“We saw a significant uptick in participation and in the quality and diversity of the MOAA council and chapter grant applications this cycle,” says Col. Mike Turner, USAF (Ret), MOAA vice president of development. “We scored 43 applications compared to 29 last cycle, and the average application score by our independent judges was

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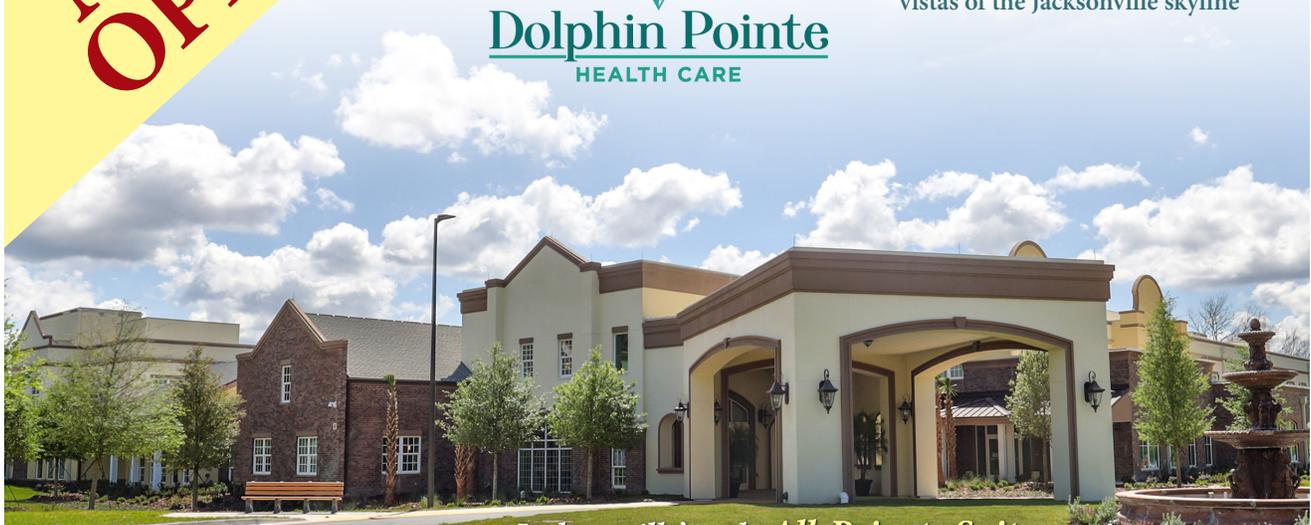


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also significantly higher.”

The long-term sustainability of the Community Outreach Grant program is largely dependent upon individual MOAA member donations to the MOAA Foundation. Corporate and external foundation funding may provide additional funds to the grant pool. To make a donation and to learn more about the program and the MOAA Foundation, visit [www.moaa.org/foundation](http://www.moaa.org/foundation).

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## ***Detail on Key Chapter Events***

***Due to current COVID-19 precautions all planned in-person Chapter events are delayed or cancelled***

***Virtual Chapter meetings and events will be announced as they are planned and scheduled (Please see below)***

### ***From Chapter Member Tom Hill:***

Chapter member and Fleet Landing resident Tom Hill is a Disaster Response Government Liaison volunteer with the American Red Cross working community outreach projects in our area. Tom feels a project called the Red Cross Missing Maps Project might be ideal for some of our retired Chapter members and friends.

Project support is performed virtually from a volunteer's home or apartment. All a mapper needs in a computer with internet connection, and time to accomplish the mapping.

1. Those interested in participating do not need to be a Red Cross volunteer, they can log into [MISSINGMAPS.org](http://MISSINGMAPS.org) and click on Start Mapping,

2. Go through the step by step video tutorials and create an OPENSTREETMAPS Hot Tasking Manager account,

3. Select a mapping project, read the mapping requirements for that particular project, and start mapping.

There are projects from all around the world and volunteers do not have to particularly work the Red Cross projects. The Red Cross does, however, have specific projects of importance right now due to the current hurricane and typhoon seasons in Middle and South

America and Asia. For example, I have been working mapping projects on the west coast of Nicaragua in addition to another project in Tanzania that has nothing to do with the Red Cross simply because I worked in that area for five years and know it.

If anyone is interested but has a hard time getting set up, they can contact me through my email ([TSHILL5406@comcast.net](mailto:TSHILL5406@comcast.net)) I will contact them, walk them through the process, and get them mapping.

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## ***Florida's Virtual "Storming The Hill"***

By: Pat Kluever

As in past years MOAA National had involved teams from across the nation in planning to descend upon Washington D.C. in late March to "Storm the Hill" visiting Senators and Representatives from their home state in their Washington offices to press for support on MOAA issues. MOAA CEO LtGen Dana Atkins explained the single issue this year in an article above - the continuing initiative by DoD to reduce military medical end strength by 18,000 billets and restructuring Military Treatment Facilities (MTFs) to move family care onto the civilian healthcare system.

In late February the impact of COVID-19 was becoming apparent and the in-person "Storming" event was cancelled. In its place MOAA began planning a "Virtual - Storming" by Councils and Chapters across the United States.

Being the Northeast Area Vice President for the Florida Council of Chapters (FCoC) I was asked by Council President Len Friedlander to schedule and conduct virtual discussion on MOAA single issue for 2020 with Representatives John Rutherford (FL-04), Ted Yoho (FL-03), Al Lawson (FL-05) and Bill Posey (FL-08).

My first discussion was with Rick Podliska, Senior Policy Advisor for Congressman Bill Posey. Rick resonated with my message citing concerns voiced by their constituents that use Patrick AFB medical facilities / clinics. On Friday 14 May Rick notified me that Congressman Posey and Congressman Kathy Castor had signed a bi-partisan letter to the Chairman and Ranking Member of the House Armed Services Committee supporting MOAAs Initiative (Letter provided below).

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

May 14, 2020

The Honorable Adam Smith  
Chairman  
House Armed Services Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mac Thornberry  
Ranking Member  
House Armed Services Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Smith and Ranking Member Thornberry:

As the Fiscal Year 2021 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) discussions begin, we write in support of language to prohibit the planned downsizing of military hospitals and clinics. The restructuring of Military Treatment Facilities (MTF) was included in the FY17 NDAA and medical billet cuts were proposed in the FY21 Department of Defense (DoD) budget. These cuts were based on military medical end strength requirements conducted before the coronavirus emergency. The COVID-19 pandemic demands that medical readiness requirements be reassessed and updated with lessons learned based on our nation’s response to the coronavirus emergency. And, we believe one of the lessons learned is that there will be future public health emergencies that strain the civilian system and we have an obligation to adequately provide for MTF’s and medical billets within the Department of Defense.

Even before the COVID-19 emergency, we had concerns about downsizing the MTFs. Specifically, our constituents raised concerns about how the civilian community will absorb new patients with TRICARE. As the NDAA requires, the Defense Health Agency needs to complete a review on how proposed reductions in care facilities will affect beneficiaries. This review should be completed before there is a reduction in medical billets or reduction in MTFs.

The civilian medical system is strained to capacity and is being augmented with Department of Defense (DoD) medical personnel. Now is not the time to reduce MTFs and medical billets. Instead, the DoD should re-evaluate medical readiness requirements to ensure sufficient reserve capacity to meet the current and any future crisis without jeopardizing health care for military beneficiaries and their families who rely on uniformed providers who understand their unique needs.

Thank you for your consideration of our request and your commitment to providing the medical resources necessary for our civilian medical system and military families.

Sincerely,



Bill Posey  
Member of Congress



Kathy Castor  
Member of Congress

Rick captured my message well in his letter and the letter was used by Florida stormers in their discussions with Florida Senators and Representatives. A large number are signing on with support for the MOAA 2020 initiative. The letter was also distributed to MOAA National and was used to generate support more broadly.

MOAA members and non-members are asked to contact their Senators and Representatives to urge support for our initiative to stop the DoD's reduction of medical billets and impact to MTFs.

***Take Action Link:***

<http://takeaction.moaa.org/app/write-a-letter?3&engagementId=507024>

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## ***Historic Mayport Chapter Awarded MOAA Foundation Grants for 2020/2021***

By: Pat Kluever

This year Historic Mayport Chapter coordinated our input for MOAA Foundation's Community Outreach Grant with USO Mayport Director Joyce Shellhorn. Their highest priority need for 2020/2021 is funding for no cost dinners for military families for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. These meals necessarily are more substantial and need a higher funding level than normal No Dough Dinners (NDDs). Their next priority was funding for additional NDDs during the 2020/2021 period.

Our submission was scored against submissions from across the United States and we will be receiving the maximum \$5,000 level grant to fund the holiday dinners and two NDDs for military service members and their families.

I have signed and submitted the agreement between our Historic Mayport Chapter and the MOAA Foundation for this grant.

During discussions with the Vice President of Development for the MOAA Foundation and her staff earlier this year I was asked if COVID-19 was causing additional stress on our military families. I reached out to USO of Greater Jacksonville CEO Mike O'Brien for his assessment. Mike said in many cases families had lost a spouse's second income and were strapped for money.

Under Mike's direction local USOs started a Healthy Military Family Program that provides food to prepare meals at home and specifically target junior enlisted service member families. Mike was also successful in obtaining a contribution matching up to \$40,000 in donations.

I delivered Mike's assessment to the MOAA Foundation leadership and they have decided to fund an additional grant to Historic Mayport Chapter for \$5,000. This grant will be used for COVID-19 impact response. My intention is to work with Mike to get these funds into his Healthy Military Family Program and hopefully receive a matching donation for our contribution boosting the buying power of our grant to \$10,000 to help feed junior enlisted military families in our area.

I signed and sent that agreement to MOAA Foundation last Friday 29 May 2020.

To receive MOAA Foundation grants our Chapter must have a liability insurance policy in effect. Our Board of Directors approved purchase of such a policy, and I sent an application to Mercer insurance company for our liability coverage last Friday.

Once we receive our certificate of insurance I will forward that to MOAA Foundation and the grant funds can be electronically transferred to our Chapter bank account.

I'm looking forward to working with you, our Chapter volunteers to serve dinners during Thanksgiving and Christmas to our Mayport military families and also during two additional NDDs.

We'll get the COVIG Impact grant funds as soon as possible to Mike O'Brien for his Healthy Military Families Program to make a timely impact to provide food assistance to junior enlisted military families in the Jacksonville area.

These grants and your volunteer efforts help our Chapter realize its motto "To Inspire, and Be force for Good"!

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## **Annual Florida Council Elections**

By: Pat Kluever

Normally new officers are elected at the annual meeting of the Florida Council of Chapters (FCoC) at the Florida convention. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the FCoC Board of Directors (BOD) unanimously approved cancelling the 2020 convention planned for Palm Beach last weekend 28-31 May 2020.

Instead, this year a slate of new officers was proposed by the FCoC BOD and approved during a virtual meeting on 20 May by a majority of Florida Chapter Presidents.

During a virtual annual meeting last Thursday 28 May, current President Len Friedlander became the Immediate Past President (IPP), Mike Borders became the FCoC President, I became the Vice President, and four new area Vice Presidents were elected.

That virtual meeting ended with an initial BOD meeting by the new officers. My remarks are provided below for your information.

This assignment is normally 2 years as VP, 2 following years as President, and 2 additional following years as IPP. I go into this commitment looking forward with the hope to bring new best practices and lessons learned back to Historic Mayport Chapter.

During those years I intend, with continued approval of the Historic Mayport Chapter BOD and Chapter membership, to continue to lead out Chapter as President.

Thank You to all our Chapter members, friends, volunteers, advertisers, and especially our Fleet Landing community for your continued support.

Very Respectfully, Commander Patrick R. Kluever, USN (Ret)

### ***FCoC Vice President's Remarks***

Virtual Annual / Board Meeting

28 May 2020

Thank You to our Florida Chapter President's for allowing me to serve on the Florida Council's leadership team as your Vice President - you and your Chapters are the Council's constituents - you are the reason the Council exists and you are our main focus.

I look forward to working with Mike and all the Council officers and committee chairs and our Board of Directors to do our best to support you by:

1. Looking outward to work with MOAA National to provide our Florida Chapters with resources, support, and training - pivoting to meet your needs ...
2. Looking inward to continually improve our tools, our communication, and our use of leadership and management best practices to help each other be successful ...  
and lastly
3. to use our skilled cadre of Area Vice Presidents to be the Council's eyes and ears into all our Florida Chapters to know what is needed, to know what is working, and to identify our future leaders to keep our Chapters and our Council strong and thriving.

Congratulations to Len, congratulations to Mike, thanks to General Atkins and MOAA National for their continuous support and thanks to our Florida Chapter Presidents for all you do for our military members, their families, and for our veterans and surviving spouses

Please stay safe and well. Thank You.

***End of Newsletter Content***

**Chapter Milestones**

- **9 MAR 2018:** MOAAs Historic Mayport Chapter Inc. incorporated as Florida non-profit veteran’s org.
- **9 MAR 2018:** IRS EIN assigned 82-4717799
- **16 JUL 2018:** - Chartered by MOAA National Board of Directors as FL51
- **14 MAY 2019:** Granted tax-exempt status by IRS as 501(c)(19) non-profit Veteran’s Organization
- **10 NOV 2019:** Granted Florida tax exempt status

**AWARDS / GRANTS / WINS**

- **COMM AWARDS**
  - 2018 NL 4-Star
  - 2019 NL 5-Star
- **LEVEL OF EXCELLENCE**
  - 2018 - 4-Star
  - 2019 - Submitted
- **FOUNDATION GRANTS**
  - 2019 - \$3,750
  - 2020 - \$5,000 - No-Dough plus \$5,000 COVID Impact

***The Mayport Messenger is the newsletter of MOAA’s Historic Mayport Chapter Inc. and is published monthly on the last Monday of each month or that next Monday if it is the first day of the next month.***

If you have questions or comments about the content of this newsletter please contact me at 540-775-4955 or at “[patkluever@verizon.net](mailto:patkluever@verizon.net)”.

**Editorial Policy**

**The National Military Officer’s Association of America (MOAA) and affiliated Councils and Chapters are non-partisan, and encourages active engagement to understand legislative issues and the stance of officials to inform MOAA membership during elections.**

**The last page of this newsletter will always be a Historic Mayport Chapter membership application for your use to recruit new members.**

***(Cut the last page for email or print the last page for hard copy)***

**Membership Application**

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If you know if an eligible veteran please print and cut out the membership application form below and ask the veteran to join up. - **Thank You!**

MOAA'S HISTORIC MAYPORT CHAPTER  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Dates Served: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ / Retired?: \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)

— or —

Surviving Spouse Member:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ / Service: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Fill in name, rank, & service of your deceased military officer spouse)*

**Please make your check for \$25 payable to "MOAAs Historic Mayport Chapter Inc" Send application & check to 3534 Eunice Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32250 or put in Fleet Landing Social Box #116**

*(Annual dues are due for all members 1 January each year)*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ / Telephone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ / Email: \_\_\_\_\_

MOAA National Member? \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N) / MOAA Life Member? \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)

MOAA Member #: \_\_\_\_\_ If you are not currently a member of MOAA, can your Chapter obtain a **basic** MOAA membership for you at no cost to you \_\_\_\_\_ (Y/N)

Your Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ / Spouse Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_  
(So we may honor you both on your birthdays)

Comments / Additional Information: \_\_\_\_\_

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