



WEBSITE:

<http://vipmoaa.org>

EDITOR'S EMAIL:

mchale@vipmoaa.org

Chapter # VA10

Volume XLIX Number 7

Published Bimonthly (in 2024)

November 2024



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – COL RON CORSON

I am writing this message in late October, and I do not know who will win our Presidential election, but by the time you read this message the election results should be in and a new administration will be on its way to take over the reins of our country in January. I hope you voted, and I pray that whoever is placed in power because of our votes brings our country together with prosperity, security, hope, and freedom.

October was a very good month for VIPMOAA. On 10 October, the Chapter, with the support of Patriot's Colony, conducted a very rewarding recruiting event that resulted in 13 new Chapter members, and we gained two additional members through member contacts. On the evening of 24 October, VIPMOAA participated in and was a sponsor of a grand social and Patriotic event with the American Friends of Lafayette (AFL). The event honored the 200th Anniversary of the "Return of Lafayette to America". Lafayette's tour was a 15 month long tour of America that he made at the age of 67 in 1824-5. The festive event was held in the beautiful main dining room of the Chamberlin Hotel at Fort Monroe. The event saw over 30 of our members and spouses along with more than 125 patriotic Virginians celebrate and honor one of the heroes of our American Revolution including an outstanding presentation by Mark Schneider who portrays Lafayette at Colonial Williamsburg.

The next social event for VIPMOAA members is our Christmas Luncheon on December 19th at the James River Country Club (JRCC) in Newport News. This year's event was scheduled at JRCC because of renovations at Governor's Land in Williamsburg, the location of our previous 4 Christmas luncheons. As you have not been to JRCC you will find that it is another ideal location to hold a Christmas event and this year's event should be just as festive, fun and a perfect way to begin the Holiday Season. Once again, we will make our community support funding awards to local military support non-profit organizations, sing Christmas Carols, and participate in a round of fun events in the Christmas spirit.

TABLE OF CONTENTS	PG
President's Message	1
Legis/Recruiting Event	2
Holiday Party/New Mem Bio	3
Honor Flight	3-4
Donations	5
Lafayette Reception	6
Membership Renewal/Note	7-8
Member Stats/TAPS	9
Executive Board	10
Dec Lunch Reservation Form	11
Calendar	12

HOOAH!

RON

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS – Col Jim Pauls**TAKE ACTION**

If you haven't looked at it yet, I urge everyone to spend some time reading the October version of MOAA's *Military Officer*! As clearly identified on the cover, much of it is devoted to highlighting the importance and contributions of MOAA Chapters and they did, what I thought, was an OUTSTANDING job! I was also most pleased to note that the articles focused on the types of Chapter activities that we emphasize!

One of the articles in the current MOAA magazine not dealing with "chapters" is related to the election, however, and discusses the ever-declining percentage of Veteran representation in the U.S. Congress! As stated in the article, it has declined from "more than 70%" during the '70's to "18 %" in the current Congress! The article also indicated that, during this same time "...American's trust in Congress went from 54% to 22% according to Pew Research." This will be very interesting to see if the downward trend may be reversed by the elections this year based on the number of Veterans who are vying for and competing effectively for Congressional seats across the Country.

This past month, the *Wall Street Journal* (WSJ) published an article which, I would think, we are all aware of by now, about the "Drone Swarm" over Langley AFB last December that reportedly occurred for **17 nights!** The WSJ article obviously generated considerable news coverage and discussion especially regarding "who" was generating activity, why weren't they being "shot down," and what does "Senior Military Leadership" know? On October 23rd, the *Daily Press* published what I thought was a comprehensive discussion about the incident and I wanted to share some of the information they reported that Military leaders have to deal with regarding this type of incident. They wrote:

- "For starters, Defense officials still do not know if this was the work of foreign adversaries conducting surveillance or seeking to provoke a response." (I have to wonder about that...)
- "Federal law restricts the military from shooting down drones if they don't pose an imminent threat, which is largely a subjective determination, for fear of harming civilians and affecting neighborhoods beyond a base's perimeter."
- "Service members are also prohibited from *domestic* law enforcement, so Langley officials instead worked with the Hampton Police Department to chase the drones in hopes of learning more about them and who operated them."
- "The military cannot use jamming technology to disrupt drone activity since it could affect first responder communications or electronics in use around the base."

While I found the information extremely "educational," I was stunned by the limitations that have been imposed on local Commanders of military installations to execute what I think is their fundamental duty – National Security!

RECRUITING EVENT 10 OCT 2024 – PAUL MIYAMASU

On 10 Oct, the Chapter held a Recruiting Event at Patriots Colony Williamsburg. This annual event, hosted by Patriots Colony, was held to update members and other retired officers and government officials of the status of MOAA activities at the state and national level. We also learned about the local VIPMOAA Chapter's activities in the community. Jim Pauls and Ron Corson gave the updates.

At this same recruiting meeting, Scott Hay, the Marketing Director at Patriots Colony Williamsburg, was recognized as an Honorary member of the chapter. He has been instrumental in working with the chapter to expand their membership activities. Pictured are COL Ron Corson, USA, Chapter president and Scott Hay.

**Household Document Organization****Margaret E. Mondul, CDR, USN (Ret)*****Let Me Help YOU******Organize, Understand and Prepare*****757-220-9285****HHDObyMargaret@aol.com*****American Association of Daily Money Managers***

HOLIDAY PARTY -KAREN COCCIO

Let's talk about our Holiday Party. Not only will we present our Community Support Awards, but it is also our Holiday Party. Last year was the kickoff for fun and games as well as a bit of singing, which we do every year. This was my first year for games and I have to say LOOKOUT, year 2 is going to be a blast! I have had all year to think about the games and activities, and I learned from those few mistakes of last Christmas. Yes, this is very dangerous. SOOO...what does that mean - bring your body and brains (OK to borrow the brain part!) and plan to have a FUN time. I only ask you do not sit with the same people you normally do. Meet new friends, expand on adventure, and you will be surprised. Be ready for FUN and unique prizes too!

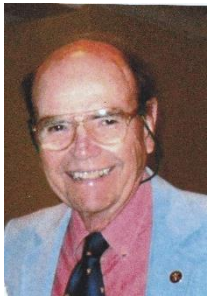
NEW MEMBER BIO

Arthur (Pete) Jennette, CPT, AUS, Reserve

1803 Patriots Colony Dr

Williamsburg, VA 23188

Phone: (804) 725-2454 (H) (804) 815-2484 (C) email: psjennette@gmail.com



Originally from Nashville, TN, Pete moved to Norfolk, VA in 1941. He graduated from VMI in 1956 and then spent the next eight years at the University of Pennsylvania for medical school and residency in anesthesiology. After this he completed his military obligation as a staff anesthesiologist at Brooke General Hospital in Fort Sam Houston, TX. His duties there consisted mainly of training anesthesiology residents and nurse anesthetists. While there he was also assigned to Operation Brooke Tower, a group that provides medical care to POTUS. Fortunately for him and for Lyndon Johnson, his services were not needed while there. Following his military service, he joined an anesthesia group in Norfolk VA. He soon became Chairman of the Anesthesia Department at DePaul Hospital, a post he held for many years. He was also Director of the School of Nurse Anesthesia there.

His wife, Sue, hails from Grand Rapids, MI where she became an RN. She moved to Norfolk in 1973 and earned a BS in Business Administration from Old Dominion University. She was the Operating Room supervisor at DePaul Hospital, where she met Pete. They were married in 1977. This was the second marriage for both. Pete has two sons from his previous marriage, 3 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

After retiring from medicine, they moved to Mathews County where they were active in the Mathews Yacht Club and the Mathews County Historical Society where Pete was instrumental in the development of the Fort Nonsense Historical Park. Pete and Sue also delivered for the "Meals-on-Wheels" program for many years.

Pete and Sue are avid sailors, racing and cruising sailboats for years before moving to power boats in 1996. They have cruised on their various boats from Canada to the Exuma Islands in the Bahamas. They now reside "on land" at Patriots Colony.

HONOR FLIGHT OCT 24

Early morning send-off at Patriots Colony. Pictured L to R: Steigler's son, Doug Steigler, Steve Bannat, Bill Payne, Payne's son, Jack Harry (Greenhalgh's friend), **Jack Greenhalgh**, **Harvey Margulies**, **Bob Schweizer**, **Fred Reuter**, **Ted Fahlender**. (Bold names are VIPMOAA members.) Not shown is Dennis Gardner, who was driving to Richmond where his son met him there as a Guardian. VIIPMOAA members are in bold. We hope to have stories in the Dec issue.

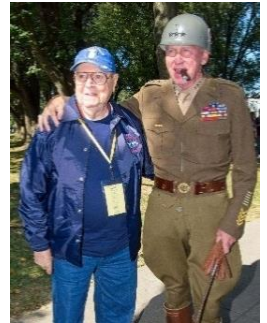


Continued next page....

Continued...

COL Robert “Bob” Schweizer, USA writes: I am happy to have this opportunity to express my thanks to every person and organization that helped get me on this Honor Flight. I understand this was the 27th mission of Honor Flights from this area, (7th with Old Dominion Honor Flight) and it was efficiently designed and perfectly executed. I had not signed up previously because I had visited all the memorials over the years, many two or more times, as I escorted relatives visiting me in Northern Virginia. **The decision not to go was decidedly wrong.** There is so much more to the day that is beyond the visit to the memorials. I saw a USA population that truly appreciated our service as evidenced by them being up at 5:00AM to support a sendoff or later sign or wave; or preparing and serving a super breakfast or dinner for a couple busloads of veterans and Guardians. The involvement of law enforcement from all levels, fire departments, emergency medical personnel and the like was impressive, many themselves veterans. Our dedicated Patriots Colony bus to Mechanicsville and travel by comfortable buses from Richmond onward (with police escort) made us feel special, privileged, and important citizens. If anyone has any lingering concerns about the lack of appreciation as they came home from the wars, this event erases them and substitutes a grateful nation. Thank you to all involved in making it happen, and don’t make the same mistake I did by failing to sign up!

Dana Margulies, daughter & guardian for Harvey Margulies, writes: The day we spent on the Honor Flight was truly one of the most memorable days of our lives, and I am so grateful that I was able to accompany my dad on this trip. As guardians we were warned that things might get emotional at certain points of the trip, such as the pinning ceremony at the Vietnam Memorial, and I chose to just be in those moments with my father. Dad shared a lot of memories with me on this trip, including the story of how he earned his Distinguished Flying Cross, which I had never heard before. It is very difficult to describe the day in just a few words. It was filled with love and laughter as well as some very heavy emotions. There was so much appreciation and love coming at the veterans from every stop along the way. If there is a veteran in your life, please consider signing them up for an Honor Flight.



Anyone that served in the service anywhere in the world prior to 1976, doing anything, is welcome to take advantage of Honor Flight. The program is there for you. You can sign up for the April 26, 2025 mission at <https://olddominionhonorflight.org/> Scroll down and click on APPLY NOW. If you plan to go, please let Jack Greenhalgh (757-478-8172) know.



At the Send-Off Ceremony and breakfast in Richmond, Congressman Wittman (back row center) expressed his heartfelt appreciation on behalf of the Congress and the nation.



Veterans and their Guardians in Washington D.C.

MILITARY COMMUNITY SERVICE/SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATIONS

29 October 2024 - Total \$5,033 (67.1% funded)

Annual Funding Goal - \$7,500

Make a Difference!

DONATE

Please consider including a tax deductible donation when you renew your membership or pay for events.

The following organizations are recipients of our members' generous donations:

- [Fisher House at Portsmouth Naval Hospital](#)
- [Liberty Lounge, Colonial Williamsburg](#)
- [Old Dominion Honor Flight](#)
- [USO of Hampton Roads & Central Virginia](#)
- [JROTC/ROTC](#)
- [Civil Air Patrol](#)
- [Williamsburg House of Mercy](#)

Diamond Level (\$1000+)

Gold Level (\$100 - \$499)

Atienza, Fernando/Marilyn
Beechel, William/Laura
Clarke, Robert/Anneliese
Elsass, Robert
Fagouri, Edward/Camilla
Fahrlender, Ted
Hollingsworth, Bryce
Miyamasu, Paul/Mary
Nutwell, Bob/Lynn
Ripple, Nita
Rosado, Raymond/Katrinka

Platinum Level (\$500 - \$999)

Corson, Ron
Mabie, Lew/Nan
Tavener, Frank/Maria

Silver Level (\$50 - \$99)

Dievendorf, Lynn/Sallie Moore
Ferrell, Jim
Greenhalgh, Jack
Leo, Jeanne
Lindsey, Ed
McHale, John/Carolyn
Pauls, Jim
Shoberg, Karen
Smith, Gretchen
Warren, Dan/Elaina

Bronze Level (\$25 - \$49)

Alberts, Sallie
Crews, Bart/Peg
Krantz, Kenneth
Lee, Ronald/Helen
Lynch, Maurice
Morris, Thomas
Pelt-Detlie, Wivi
Siekirski, Zenon
Skelly, Cynthia
Tarr, Elaine

Donations of less than \$25 are not listed.

Donations for these programs can be added to your monthly activities' reservation or a donation may be submitted at any time. All donations are tax deductible with a letter for donations of \$100+ provided for IRS information. Make checks payable to VIPMOAA and send to VIPMOAA CS/SF Mgr, Box 6463, Williamsburg VA 23188.

LAFAYETTE RECEPTION AT THE CHAMBERLIN

The [Bicentennial Lafayette's Farewell Tour](#) features the celebrations in Williamsburg and Yorktown on Oct 18-20th and the reception at the Chamberlin on the 24th sponsored by the American Friends of Lafayette (AFL). VIPMOAA is thrilled to be a sponsor of this gala reception. Thirty-two of our members attended along with others from the AFL. Mark Schneider, a Colonial Williamsburg Nation Builder, portrays the Marquis de Lafayette. Thanks to Paul Miyamasu & Lynn Dievendorf for their pictures.



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME – MARIA TAVENNER

The current membership drive is only for those memberships that will end **Dec 31, 2024**. If you receive a printed copy of this newsletter, look at the address block on page 12 and you will see the year when your membership expires printed in bold beside your name. If it is **2025/2026/2027/85+/LM**, you can ignore all our membership renewal requests, for we are only targeting memberships that end in **2024**. If the year in your address block is **2024**, then please be alerted to the fact that you need to **RENEW NOW**. Members who have email will receive a notice if your membership ends this Dec. If there are special circumstances that prevent you from renewing, please contact Maria Tavenner at MBTmembership@aol.com or 703-407-2176.

The annual membership renewal drive starts now. Membership dues are:

- Regular/Associate members are: 1 yr-\$25; 2 yr-\$45; 3 yr-\$65; 85+-\$0
- Surviving Spouse members are: 1 yr-\$20; 2 yr-\$35; 3 yr-\$50; 85+-\$0.

The best and easiest way to renew is to go online to https://vipmoaa.org/member_registration.cfm

- Click on Renew Membership – this screen shows your membership expiration date
- Click on Renew Your Membership Online
- Click on appropriate categories as a Regular or Surviving Spouse Member
- Click on appropriate dues for you, i.e., Regular / Associate or Surviving Spouse
- Payment method will be by check; mail a check payable to VIPMOAA Membership, PO Box 6463, Williamsburg, VA 23188; if you are a PCAW resident you may use the in-house VIPMOAA mailbox.

After completing this process, you will receive an email confirming your transaction.

Another way to renew is to use the Membership Application Form on **page 8**. Print and/or tear it out. Complete the form and mail a check with your form payable to VIPMOAA, Membership, PO Box 6463, Williamsburg, VA 23188. Remember PCAW members may use the in-house VIPMOAA mailbox.

If you have any questions, please contact the Membership Chair, Maria Tavenner at MBTmembership@aol.com or 703-407-2176.

85+ MEMBERS, WE WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR DONATION!



NOTE FROM AN APPRECIATIVE SURVIVING SPOUSE

We received a very lovely note from Nita Ripple along with a nice donation to our Community & Scholarship Fund. *“Just a note to say I really appreciate all you do and enjoy the newsletter so much. Been a member longer than I can remember. Hope you get full staff soon as a widow, it keeps me connected to all the values the military represents. Nita Ripple, Army wife 30 years, Senior= citizen (91 yrs). Tell your friends or anyone and everyone – VOTE”*

Household Document Organization

Margaret E. Mondul, CDR, USN (Ret)

Let Me Help YOU

Organize, Understand and Prepare

757-220-9285

HHDObyMargaret@aol.com

American Association of Daily Money Managers

No you haven't missed the reservation form for a November meeting. There is NO NOVEMBER LUNCHEON. Next Luncheon is our Christmas Party, Dec 19th, at James River Country Club. See page 11



MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR VIPMOAA



We welcome you to our Virginia Peninsula MOAA Chapter. Our Chapter has a robust JROTC/ROTC commissioning, award & scholarship program. We have 11 monthly dine-in meetings with speakers. We support Honor Flight and military related organizations in our area. Please visit our website at vipmoaa.org

How did you hear about VIPMOAA: ☐ Recruiting Event ☒ Member/Friend ☐ Ad/Brochure ☐ News Media
☐ Other _____

Membership Information:

Please check applicable types: ☐ New Member ☐ Renewal ☐ Active ☐ Retired ☐ Associate ☐ Surviving Spouse
☐ USA ☐ USAF ☐ USN ☐ USCG ☐ USMC ☐ USPHS ☐ USSF ☐ Guard ☐ Reserve ☐ NOAA ☐ Other

Regular/Associate Membership Dues: ☐ 1 yr @ \$25 ☐ 2yr @ \$45 ☐ 3 yr @ \$65 ☐ 85+ yrs \$0

Surviving Spouse Membership Dues: ☐ 1 yr @ \$20 ☐ 2yr @ \$35 ☐ 3 yr @ \$50 ☒ 85+ yrs \$0

Name _____ Spouse Name _____

Rank _____ Branch of Service _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ Date of Birth (YYYY/MM/DD) _____

MOAA Member # _____ Are you a Life Member? ☐ Yes ☐ No

I wish to serve in the following areas: ☐ Board member ☐ Committee member ☐ Recruiting ☐ Legislative Affairs
☐ Community Support/Outreach ☐ Newsletter/Website ☐ Media Liaison/Publicity ☐ Hospitality/Mtg arrangements
☐ JROTC/ROTC Awards ☐ Surviving Spouse Liaison ☐ Liaison to military organizations ☐ Chaplain

Membership in Other Organizations: ☐ Lions Club ☐ Rotary ☐ Kiwanis ☐ VFW

☐ Other _____

We gratefully accept donations with your membership. Our charities can be found at <https://vipmoaa.org/Donations>

☐ Donation (scholarship, ROTC, community, other) included \$ _____

☐ A short ½ page bio is attached with this application for our Newsletter. Suggested [bio format](#)

MAIL TO: VIPMOAA, Membership
PO Box 6463
Williamsburg, VA 23188

For questions, contact our membership chair,
Maria Tavenner at MBTmembership@aol.com

For PCAW residents, place in VIPMOAA box (under 2321)

ONLINE APPLICATION (no online pay; must mail check): https://vipmoaa.org/member_application.cfm

Not a MOAA National Member yet? Check the box to receive a BASIC Membership at no cost to you. You must have an email address. Visit moaa.org/join to learn more and upgrade.

☐

Signature _____ Date _____

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP

TOTAL MEMBERS: 239 REG: 180 SS: 50 85+: 90 VIPMOAA LM: 11 MOAA LM: 114

For all membership information please contact Maria Tavenner membership@vipmoaa.org or 703-407-2176. if you have a change in address, rank, marital status, phone number, or email, as well as death of member or spouse.

MUST be a member for 5 years to qualify for a FREE membership at 85 years. Talk to Maria.

Our Chapter is always in recruiting mode and we look to each member to be an active recruiter, preferable to an officer **YOUNGER** than you! We urge you to recruit **ONE NEW MEMBER**.

NEW MEMBERS



COL Dale Abrahamson, USA (Ret), 10 Oct 2024
LCDR Roger Bogert, USCG (Ret), 10 Oct 2024
CAPT John Bucelato, USN (Ret), 10 Oct 2024
LCDR Andrew John Chess, USNR, 10 Oct 2024
Col Doug Dovey, USAF (Ret), 10 Oct 2024
LTC Brett Evans, USA (Ret), 10 Oct 2024
LTC Paul Fameli, USA (Ret), 10 Oct 2024
Capt David Jaffe, USAF (Ret), 10 Oct 2024

CPT Arthur (Pete) Jennette, AUS (Res), 2 Oct 2024
Jeanne Leo (Surviving Spouse), 28 Oct 2024
LTC James McGee, USA (Ret), 10 Oct 2024
Cleta Puckett (Surviving Spouse), 10 Oct 2024
Col George Siebert, ANG (Ret), 10 Oct 2024
LTCOL James Stephan, USAF (Ret), 9 Sept 2024
Nancy Stout (Surviving Spouse), 10 Oct 2024
COL Gary Whitehead, USA (Ret), 10 Oct 2024

TAPS

COL William Liquori, USAF (Ret), 8 June 2024
COL Gordon "Mal" Hunt, USA (Ret), 11 Sept 2024
Mrs. Gayle J. Riddick (spouse of CDR George Riddick, USN (Ret), 5 Oct 2024
LtCol Donald G. Dair, USAF (Ret), Hampton, VA, 25 Sep 2024



"It's a Great Community."

For Bonnie and Wayne, Patriots Colony was the right move. While moving in, their new neighbors warmly welcomed them and quickly became great friends.

Schedule A Personal Tour Today!
800-716-9000 patriotscolony.com

PATRIOTS COLONY
At Williamsburg

Patriots Colony is a Riverside Health System active retirement community whose Independent Living is exclusive to former military officers, federal civil employees and their spouses or widow(ers).

ZAREMBA CENTER FOR ESTATE PLANNING & ELDER LAW
123 BULIFANTS BOULEVARD
WILLIAMSBURG VIRGINIA 23188

Walter Zaremba is a retired United States Army Colonel who understands your unique needs.

What Do We Do?

- Estate Planning
- Trusts, Wills & Powers
- Elder Law
- Veterans Aid & Attendance
- Probate Services
- Trust Administration
- Asset Protection
- Guardianship/Conservatorship
- Special Needs Planning

CALL (757) 259-0707 TO SCHEDULE YOUR COMPLIMENTARY CONSULTATION

MOAA members are entitled to a 25% discount.

www.zarembalaw.com

(757) 259-0707 office (757) 259-2407 fax

November 2024 VIPMOAA Newsletter
2024-25 EXECUTIVE BOARD OFFICERS

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: COL Ron Corson, USA (Ret)
jrcorson@aol.com 757-810-4155

ACTING VICE PRESIDENT: Col Jim Pauls, USAF (Ret)
(Marvella) keydetman@aol.com 757-851-1141

SECRETARY: COL Daniel Warren, USA (Ret) (Elaina)
dwarrenmd@cox.net 804-642-6597

TREASURER: COL Frank Tavenner, Jr., USA (Ret) (Maria)
FBTtreasurer@aol.com 703-407-6989

OFFICERS - APPOINTED

LEGAL ADVISOR: Vacant

ADVISOR: Maj Gen Wayne Jefferson, USAF (Ret)
(Bonnie) wojeff59@gmail.com 757-920-5628

SURVIVING SPOUSES LIAISON: Vacant

COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

ACTING CHAIRMAN: Col Jim Pauls, USAF (Ret)
(Marvella) keydetman@aol.com 757-851-1141

ROTC/JROTC

CHAIRMAN: Lt Col Thomas Swanson, USAF (Ret) (Marci)
tgsanson@cox.net 757-593-1431

MEMBERSHIP

CHAIRMAN: Maria Tavenner, CIV (Frank)
membership@vipmoaa.org 703-407-2176

RECRUITING: All Board Members

COMMUNICATIONS

CHAIRMAN: Carolyn McHale, CIV (John)
cgmchale@gmail.com 240-463-7815

MEDIA LIAISON: Vacant

EDITOR: Carolyn McHale, CIV (John)
cgmchale@gmail.com 240-463-7815

PERSONAL AFFAIRS

CHAPLAIN: CAPT Donald Troast, USN (Ret) (Norma)
donaldtroast2015@gmail.com 757-920-3458

EVENTS

CHAIRMAN: Col Jim Pauls, USAF (Ret) (Marvella)
keydetman@aol.com 757-851-1141

Gretchen Smith, gkbs9281@gmail.com, 540-420-8502

Kathy Schnepf, (Craig), kathy.schnepf@gmail.com,
802-274-9477 (c)

Elaina Waren, (Dan), elainagw@cox.net, 804-642-6597

FUND RAISING: COL Karen Coccio, USA (Ret)
karen.coccio@gmail.com 757-652-7933

VIPMOAA BOARD MEETINGS

2nd Thursday @ 10:00 A.M.

14 Nov, 12 Dec, 9 Jan

Rocco's Smokehouse Grill

207 Bypass Road
Williamsburg, VA 23185-2920 (757) 253-8550

Members are welcome to attend & may submit
proposed agenda items in advance to the
President.

Our Mission Statement:

To be a champion of local and national legislation that benefits our military community. To perpetuate the traditions of the American Military by providing camaraderie among our members, providing support for veterans, and by mentoring young men and women in the community to become America's future military leaders. To be a trusted counselor for our surviving spouses.

VIPMOAA MEETING INFORMATION – 19 DECEMBER 2024 LUNCH

RESERVATIONS & CANCELLATIONS: Mail your "Reservation Form" and check to arrive by RSVP date. Contact the POC for additions or cancellations after that date. **Chapter pays for no-shows and late cancellations.**

VIPMOAA CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON AT JAMES RIVER COUNTRY CLUB

1500 Country Club Rd, Newport News VA Phone 757-595-3327

RSVP - by 6 pm Thurs, December 12th COST: \$34

POC: COL Ron Corson, USA (Ret) jrcorson@aol.com 757-810-4155

MUSIC BY: Ina Berkey & Lew Mabie

DATE: 19 December 2024

TIME: 1130 Sign-in / Social (Cash Bar \$7) 1300 Program
1200 Lunch 1400 Fifty-fifty Drawing / Adjourn

MENU: Choice (A) Chicken Marsala or (B) Braised Beef Short Ribs. Entrée served with Whipped Mashed Potatoes & Green Beans. Winter Cobbler for dessert.

Must REGISTER & PAY for the event ([register online](#)). Please consider a donation!

RSVPS WITH PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY RSVP DATE. NOTIFY POC FOR CHANGES TO REGISTRATION! PAYMENTS FOR CANCELLATIONS AFTER THE RSVP DATE WILL NOT BE RETURNED. RESERVATIONS MAY BE MADE ONLINE AND PAYMENT MAILED TO VIPMOAA. MEMBERS WHO MAKE A RESERVATION WITH A PROMISE TO "PAY AT THE DOOR" AND ARE A "NO SHOW" WILL BE BILLED ACCORDINGLY.



CLIP & MAIL RESERVATION FORM FOR LUNCH ON THURSDAY 19 DEC 2024

Please write name and rank/title for each person who will attend:

MEMBER _____ Meal **A** ____ Meal **B** ____

SPOUSE _____ Meal **A** ____ Meal **B** ____

GUEST (1) _____ Meal **A** ____ Meal **B** ____

GUEST (2) _____ Meal **A** ____ Meal **B** ____

TOTAL NUMBER ATTENDING _____ @ \$34 PER PERSON \$ _____

VIPMOAA 2024 Donations (Scholarship, ROTC, Community, Other) \$ _____

CHECK (payable to VIPMOAA) AMOUNT \$ _____

Member - first meeting please check here _____ Celebrating a special occasion? Check here/and provide details _____

Member Address _____

Member Phone _____

MAIL WITH CHECK TO: VIPMOAA HOSPITALITY–DEC, BOX 6463, WILLIAMSBURG, VA 23188

**Patriots Colony Residents
Use VIPMOAA mailbox under 2321**

TO ARRIVE BY 19 DEC 2024. NO CONFIRMATION IS SENT. CONSIDER A DONATION WITH YOUR RESERVATION.

CHAPTER MUST PAY FOOD SERVICES FOR NO-SHOWS OR LATE CANCELLATIONS

VIPMOAA NEWSLETTER
BOX 6463
WILLIAMSBURG, VA 23188



ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



Please consider sharing this newsletter with a prospective member. We invite military officers to become members. Please see our [website](http://VIPMOAA.ORG) (VIPMOAA.ORG) or contact [Maria Tavenner](mailto:Maria.Tavener@vipmoaa.org) at 703-407-2176. Contact Maria for any changes in your address or membership.

The VIPMOAA NEWSLETTER is published by the VIPMOAA Chapter, which is an Affiliate of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA). MOAA and its Affiliated Chapters and councils are non-partisan. The advertisements that appear in this publication also do not reflect an endorsement by MOAA or this Affiliate.

Meeting Schedule – Luncheon/Dinner on the 4th Thursday of the month except for Nov/Dec

Date	Location	L/D	Speaker
19 Dec 2024	James River Country Club	Lunch	Christmas Luncheon - Games
23 Jan 2025	Hampton Yacht Club	Lunch	TBD
27 Feb 2025	Patriots Colony	Lunch	TBD
27 Mar 2025	Ford's Colony	Lunch	TBD
24 April 2025	TBD	Lunch	Annual ROTC Recognition Event
28 Aug 2025	TBD	Lunch	Leo Titus, FEMA & 9/11 at the Pentagon

Click on link under Lunch or Dinner for reservation form/online reservations.

If you have suggestions for topics or speakers, please contact COL Ron Corson jrcorson@aol.com 757-810-4155. Newsletters are posted on the website and emailed to members on the 1st of the month. If you don't receive your monthly Newsletter by the 3rd of the month, check your spam email first, then contact the Newsletter Editor at mchale@vipmoaa.org Newsletters sent by USPS 1st class mail take 2-8 days + 5 days preparation by printer. Will receive it approximately the 12th – 16th of the month.