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MOAA Luncheon Meeting

26 February 2019; 11:30 AM
"My Experiences in the FBI"

Matt Dunn
 Retired, Supervisory Special Agent
 FBI

*Old Natchez Country Club,
 115 Gardengate Drive, Franklin, TN 37069*

Mr. Matt Dunn has been an Associate Managing Director of Cyber Security and Investigations Practice at Kroll Inc. since February 6, 2018. Mr. Dunn joins Kroll after a distinguished 20-year career with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, where he most recently served as the Supervisory Special Agent overseeing the FBI Cyber Crimes/Counterintelligence Squad in Nashville.

Mr. Dunn has an exceptional combination of professional experiences garnered in federal law enforcement as well as in the practice of law handling litigation matters in both federal agency and private practice contexts. He oversaw national security and criminal computer intrusion investigations, particularly those impacting victims in the Middle District of Tennessee. Concurrently, he also served as the Supervisory Special Agent for the FBI Memphis Division SWAT Team, to which he was appointed in 2011.

Prior to this assignment, from 2010-2014, he served as the supervisory Special Agent for the FBI Nashville Violent Crime Gang Task Force. He began his career with the FBI as a Special Agent in the Philadelphia Field Office in 1997, where he was assigned to the Latin American/Caribbean Drug Squad. He subsequently was promoted in 2002 to a Supervisory Special Agent in the FBI's Terrorist Financing Operations Section in the Counterterrorism Division at FBI Headquarters in Washington, D.C. From 2005-2010, he served as an Assistant Legal Attaché and opened the Toronto Sub-Office of the FBI's Ottawa Legal Attaché. From 1992-1997, he served as an attorney in the Litigation Division of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

He earned his Juris Doctor at the University of Bridgeport School of Law and a Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Massachusetts.

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Updates

The TVET "Storming the Hill" took place on 6 February at the Cordell Hull Building in Nashville. Members from the MOAA Chapters in Chattanooga, Ft. Campbell, Memphis and Middle TN were present to meet with Legislators. Our Chapter was represented by Mike Patenaude, Karon Uzzell-Baggett, Kent Crossley, Thad Vann, John Furgess, and Doug Minton (and of course Representative Sam Whitson was present). The process of submitting /sponsoring bills was compressed by the Inauguration of Governor Bill Lee this year, so there will be a lot of follow-up required going forward as all of the Veteran related Legislation continues to take shape.

Members please note that if Davidson County Schools experience a weather closure on our meeting date, then our meeting will be cancelled.)

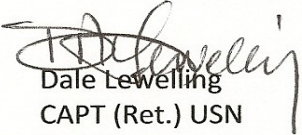
President's Letter

Just like the State of our Union, the state of our Chapter is strong. We have 269 members, a sound financial base and a very active membership. We have representation in many civic and volunteer organizations in the Nashville major metropolitan area. We have a member in the legislative branch of state government and many members active in lobbying at both the state and local level. Finally, we have a long history of being a leading chapter in donations to both the national and local scholarships fund. Couple all that with the meetings and great programs we have, we truly are a top tier Five Star Chapter.

We continue with the annual chapter dues rate of \$20.00 per officer and \$5.00 for surviving spouses. Dues letters were mailed out at the end of January with a self-addressed stamped envelop enclosed. Please drop your dues check into the mail or at the front table at our next meeting. You may also pay your local dues via the link on the MOAA National website.

The VA Mission act of 2018 directed the department to provide access to walk-in care for veterans who are eligible for VA health care. The VA is calling it "urgent care" which is a well-known industry standard instead of "walk-in care". When implemented, care will be for medical conditions that usually don't require any follow-up procedures such as flu, bad cold, sprained ankle etc. The VA published a notice in the Federal Register on January 31, 2019 and will be accepting comments for 30 days. Once the comments are reviewed the VA will implement the final regulations later this year.

We have a very interesting program scheduled for this month's meeting. We will welcome Matt Dunn, retired FBI agent who will be talking about working with the military in Iraq and trends in Cyber-crime. Mark your calendar for the 26th. Look forward to seeing everyone.


 Dale Lewelling
 CAPT (Ret.) USN
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Happy 90th Birthday to MOAA
 (23 February 1029)

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Upcoming Programs & Events

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“My Experiences in the FBI”

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5 March 2019; 7 - 8:00 AM

“MTC Monthly Board Meeting”

NGATN Office, 4332 Kenilwood Dr., Nashville, TN

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26 March 2019; 11:30 AM-1:00 PM

MTC Monthly Luncheon Meeting

“Lessons Learned as an Army Chaplain”

LTC Kevin Wainwright, USA

Deputy Garrison Chaplain, Fort Campbell, KY

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2 April 2019; 7 - 8:00 AM

“MTC Monthly Board Meeting”

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10 April 2019

“MOAA Storms the Hill”

Washington, DC

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23 April 2019; 11:30 AM-1:00 PM

MTC Monthly Luncheon Meeting

“Elder Law” and a “Personal Affairs Update”

Attorney Barbara Moss

LTC (Ret.) Wanda Bruce Graham, USA

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7 May 2019; 7 - 8:00 AM

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2019 Meeting Dates:

25 June 2019

23 July 2019

27 August 2019

24 September 2019

22 October 2019

19 November 2019

No Meeting - December 2019

MOAA Legislative Update

- A House-Senate conference committee tasked with ironing out differences in separate versions of the defense authorization bill has rejected Senate-passed provisions that would have sharply increased TRICARE fees, deductibles and co-pays for a million retirees under age 65.
- Congressional lawmakers who in recent weeks shaped a final \$716 billion John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (HR 5515) also voted to allow disabled veterans, Purple Heart recipients and caregivers of veterans severely injured in war to shop on military bases, paying slightly more at checkout than current patrons. They also will be able use base recreational facilities.
- The National Commission on Military, National, and Public Service issued an interim report last week hinting that major changes could be coming to the Selective Service System, such as requiring women to register or, conversely, abandoning the registration system altogether. The panel is still gathering information, with a final report due in 2020.
- Acting Defense Secretary Patrick Shanahan has set up a "coordination cell" within the Pentagon to finalize the Defense Department's Space Force proposal. "We are preparing for the rollout of the proposal, finalizing our messaging and coordinating actions," Lt. Col. Joseph Buccino says.
- The VA can't deny disability benefits to so-called "blue water" Navy veterans who say they were exposed to toxic chemicals while patrolling the coastline during the Vietnam War, according to a ruling by the US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. The VA has 90 days to decide if it wants to take its appeal to the Supreme Court.
- The number of military members diagnosed with nonalcoholic fatty liver disease increased sharply from 2000 to 2017, according to the Medical Surveillance Monthly Report from the Defense Health Agency. The Air Force had the highest rate, and more men than women were diagnosed with the disease.
- Veterans who were notified last year that they may qualify for federal tax refunds related to disability severance pay must file an amended return by July to get the funds, says Lt. Col. David Dulaney of the Armed Forces Tax Council. Veterans who had taxes withheld from disability severance pay as far back as January 1991 have a year from when they received the notice to amend their returns.

Doug Gilbert
 LTC, US Army Retired
 Board Member & Legislative Affairs Liaison