

MIDDLE TENNESSEE CHAPTER
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Upcoming Programs & Events

28 April 2020; 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Annual Personal Affairs Program

"Meeting Cancelled"

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

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5 May 2020; 7- 8:00 AM

"MTC Monthly Board Meeting"

NGATN Office, 4332 Kenilwood Dr., Nashville, TN

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"Fort Campbell Retiree Appreciation Day"

"Cancelled, will be rescheduled for September"

272 Michigan Avenue, Fort Campbell, KY

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23 May 2020; 10:00 AM

"MTC Memorial Day Ceremony"

McCrary Lane State Veterans Cemetery

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26 May 2020; 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

MTC Monthly Luncheon Meeting

"God's Word for Warriors"

Dr. Tom Seals

Lipscomb University Chaplain and USMC Veteran

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

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2 June 2020; 7- 8:00 AM

"MTC Monthly Board Meeting"

NGATN Office, 4332 Kenilwood Dr., Nashville, TN

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23 June 2020; 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

MTC Monthly Luncheon Meeting

"MOAA Council & Chapters"

(Specific speaker not yet announced)

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

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7 July 2020; 7- 8:00 AM

"MTC Monthly Board Meeting"

NGATN Office, 4332 Kenilwood Dr., Nashville, TN

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15 July 2020; 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

"TN MOAA Council of Chapters Meeting"

Sammy B's Restaurant, Lebanon, TN

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28 July 2020; 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

MTC Monthly Luncheon Meeting

"Reboot Recovery"

Brian Flanery, Engagement Coordinator

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

Legislative Update

STATE:

- The "Women Veterans Recognition Resolution" was passed and now awaits action by the Governor.
- Bill Requiring Training of TDVS Employees in Suicide Prevention—Public Chapter 531, was passed and now awaits action by the Governor.
- Governor Bill Lee says he is continuing to watch the data but has not made a decision on whether or not his "Stay-at-Home" order will be extended. The order is in effect until April 14 at midnight, although most models indicate the virus may not reach its peak in Tennessee for another week or two.
- As of 4/9/2020, 550 TN National Guard members from across the state have deployed to assist with the spread of the coronavirus to 35 counties in TN. Their goal is to assist local health officials in running testing sites. This number does not include Air National Guard members flying scheduled missions that provide Covid-19 support.

FEDERAL:

- Reacting to concerns that National Guard troops fighting COVID-19 under Title 32 orders were being denied Tricare and increased housing benefits, President Donald Trump on 4/7/2020 signed an executive order extending those activations by one day. Authorizing National Guard units to be activated under Title 32 for increments of up to 31 days — instead of the previous 30 — allows those troops to receive Tricare medical coverage and increased Basic Allowance for Housing payments. Those benefits only kicked after 30 days.
- Thomas Modly's resignation as acting secretary of the Navy came less than one day after he told sailors aboard the aircraft carrier Theodore Roosevelt that their recently-fired commanding officer was either "too naïve or too stupid" to command. The former acting Navy secretary flew to Guam to offer sailors an explanation for his hasty dismissal of Capt. Brett Crozier. The former commanding officer of the Roosevelt was fired following the leak of a letter he wrote, which was obtained by the San Francisco Chronicle, pleading for U.S. intervention to stifle a COVID-19 outbreak on the 4,800-person ship.
- On 4/8/2020 the Pentagon reported its largest 24-hour jump in new confirmed cases of COVID-19 among service members, bringing the force-wide total to nearly 2,000, a number that has doubled in the past week. Officials reported 178 new cases Wednesday, bringing the total to 1,975 among service members. The infection rate among active duty and reserve component troops now stands at 940 -per-million, for the first time starting to close the gap with the general U.S. population, which sits at 1,144-per-million — or just over 1 percent of all residents, according to the latest numbers from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

LTC Doug Gilbert, MTC Legislative Affairs