

# **2021 Report to Members**

**Military Officers Association  
of America  
Middle Tennessee Chapter (MTC)**

# Prayer



# Pledge of Allegiance



# Announcements

- 2 Feb. MTC Board Meeting
- Feb TVET “on the Hill” event cancelled due to COVID restrictions
- 23 Feb. MTC MOAA meeting at ONCC – TN Long Term Care Ombudsman Program – Ms. Jane Ziesmer, Military Spouse and Ombudsman

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# MOAA Levels of Excellence (LOE) 5 Star Chapter

- In September of 2020 MTC was once again designated a MOAA 5 Star Levels of Excellence (LOE) Chapter for the year 2019. This is our seventh consecutive year to receive this award.
- Pictured at right LTC, (Ret) Mike Patenaude presenting the Award before the Chapter on 22 September 2020.



# Annual Financial Report

# 2020

## Annual Financial Report

	2017	2018	2019	2020
<b>Income</b>				
Dues	\$3,365.00	\$3,545.00	\$3,200.00	\$3,025.00
MOAA National Incentive	\$335.00	\$100.00	\$90.00	\$165.00
Scholarship Donations	\$4,930.00	\$5,680.00	\$5,374.00	\$6,614.20
Miscellaneous Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100.00
Luncheon Checks	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$520.00
Interest	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2.51
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$8,630.00</b>	<b>\$9,325.00</b>	<b>\$8,664.00</b>	<b>\$10,426.71</b>
<b>Operating Costs</b>				
Luncheons (net of cash received)	(\$581.00)	(\$445.00)	(\$238.00)	(\$507.00)
Adminstrative	(\$1,818.74)	(\$1,804.95)	(\$1,750.00)	(\$2,084.05)
Donations	(\$971.42)	(\$1,439.04)	(\$1,250.00)	(\$1,600.00)
Scholarships Given	(\$5,000.00)	(\$5,680.00)	(\$5,374.00)	(\$6,614.20)
<b>Total Operating Cost</b>	<b>(\$8,371.16)</b>	<b>(\$9,368.99)</b>	<b>(\$8,612.00)</b>	<b>(\$10,805.25)</b>
<b>Net Gain/(Loss)</b>	<b>\$258.84</b>	<b>(\$43.99)</b>	<b>\$52.00</b>	<b>(\$378.54)</b>
Bank Balance Forward January 1st	\$5,988.56	\$6,267.40	\$6,263.41	\$6,511.53
Net Gain/(Loss)	\$258.84	(\$43.99)	\$52.00	(\$378.54)
Prepaid Dues	\$20.00	\$40.00	(\$40.00)	\$0.00
Reconciling	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$236.12	(\$9.79)
<b>Ending Bank Balance December 31st</b>	<b>\$6,267.40</b>	<b>\$6,263.41</b>	<b>\$6,511.53</b>	<b>\$6,123.20</b>



# Legislative Affairs

# Legislative Liaison (due to Covid 19 Legislative Updates are Minimal)

## State

- MTC Member LTC Doug Gilbert participated in the State of Tennessee Legislative Veterans Caucus meeting along with TVET members to review proposed bills supporting veteran issues.
- Several MTC Members and 5 total MOAA Chapters participated in the “Veterans Day on the Hill ‘19” on 5 February 2020 in support of the following legislative initiatives:
  - Mental Health Training for TDVS Staff
  - Standardize Naming of TN Veteran Homes
  - Women Veteran Recognition

## Federal

### Blue Water Navy Benefits

As of Jan. 1, 2020, VA extends benefits to Veterans who served offshore of the Republic of Vietnam, or in the Korean Demilitarized Zone during a certain time period, are presumed to have been exposed to herbicides, such as Agent Orange.

# Chapter Outreach

# Reserve Officer Training Corps Support

- MOAA Outstanding Cadet medals and certificates awarded to three cadets from the respective four-year ROTC programs
  - ✓ Army ROTC (Vanderbilt University) –  
Cadet Preston K. Hausser
  - ✓ Navy/Marine Corps ROTC (Vanderbilt University) –  
Midshipman 2/C Arturo Herrera
  - ✓ Air Force ROTC (Tennessee State University) –  
Cadet Asia Grant
- Area ROTC Detachment Commanders advised of MOAA National scholarship and grant opportunities

# Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Support

- 2020
  - ✓ Supported 13 JROTC units in 2020.
  - ✓ Chapter Members presented three awards to cadets at the JROTC units at Middle Tennessee high schools prior to school shutdowns and other restrictions mandated by local governments. Eight other awards were mailed to JROTC Senior Instructors and presented by them to awardees.
- 2021
  - ✓ Continuing to support 13 JROTC units in 2021.

# Additional Chapter Outreach Opportunities & Events

- MTC Memorial Day Service at the Middle Tennessee Veterans Cemetery
- Congressional Academy Selection Committee Participation
- A Soldier's Child Foundation
- Centerstone Military Services
- Joshua Chamberlain Society
- Matthew 25 Foundation (Homeless Veterans)
- Operation Stand Down Tennessee (OSDTN)
- Tennessee Fisher House
- USMCR Toys for Tots Program
- Wreaths Across America at the Middle Tennessee Veterans Cemetery
- USO Nashville/Ft. Campbell
- MOAA Military Family Initiative
- Transition Assistance

# 2020 Scholarships

- Chapter Scholarship donations totaled \$6614
- For the sixth year, MTC MOAA funded Veterans Scholarships at Belmont and Lipscomb Universities in the amount of \$1,000 each.
- Our Chapter also continued the Middle Tennessee Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America Endowed Veterans Scholarship at Lipscomb University and funded it with \$3614.
- MTC currently provides three MOAA National Scholarships for dependents. With a direct gift of \$1,000, MTC now has \$7,562 donated towards a fourth \$25,000 National Scholarship.

# MTC Programs



# 2020 MTC Programs

**January** – Annual Update Program

**February** – MOAA Board of Dir. – Dr. Don Thompson (Lt Col, Ret)

**March – August** - Meetings suspended for COVID-19 restrictions

**September** – Tilman Goins, Deputy Commissioner, TN Department of Veterans Services

**October** – BG (Ret) Eden Murrie, CEO, Operation Stand Down Tennessee

**November** – CDR (Ret) Sheryl Tannahill – Naval Sea Cadets & Wreaths Across America



# 2021

# MTC Programs

**January** – Annual Update Program

**February** – Personal Affairs (Tennessee Ombudsman Program) – Ms. Jane Ziesmer, Military Spouse

**March** – God’s Word for Warriors – Dr. Tom Seals, USMC

**April** – State Senator Heidi Campbell, District 20

**May** – Pending

**June** – State Representative (COL, Ret) Sam Whitson, District 65

**July** – MOAA National Representative



# Membership

# MTC Membership

- At the end of December 2020 we had 252 members.
- Membership is a mix of 4% currently serving, 11% former officers, 13% surviving spouses and 72% retired officers.
- We continue to add new members (10 in 2020); however we lost a number of members that moved, or who have elected to discontinue their participation in the Chapter, as well as several that passed away.
- We have 122 members that are MOAA National Life Members, 57 members that belong to MOAA National on an Annual basis, 41 members that have taken advantage of the Basic Membership program, and 33 members that are not currently members of MOAA National.

# Middle TN Chapter MOAA Web Site

<https://www.mtcmoaa.org>

*The Chapter manages this website for the benefit of our members, and as a tool to attract new members moving into our area. We would appreciate your feedback on the website!*

# President's Comments

*Thank you to our membership for their perseverance, for the great turnout at the few meetings we were able to have in 2020 and remember feedback to me or any of our board members is always welcome.*

# 2020

## MTC Officers & Directors

- President – LTC (R) Mike Patenaude, USA
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Lt Col (R) Karon Uzzell-Baggett, USAF
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – COL (R) Kent Crossley, USA
- Treasurer/Director – 1LT Deryl Bauman, USA
- Past President/Secretary/Director – COL (R) Doug Minton, USA
- Past President/Director – CAPT (R) Larry Cotton, USN
- Past President/Director - LTC (R) Wanda Bruce-Graham, USA
- Past President/Director – CDR (R) John Ohlinger, USN
- Past President/Director – CAPT (R) Dale Lewelling, USN
- Surviving Spouse Liaison/ Director – Mrs. Patricia Bergquist
- Legislative Affairs Liaison/ Director– LTC (R) Doug Gilbert, USA
- Transition Services Liaison – Lt Col (R) Arlie Haddix, USAF



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