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*A monthly newsletter for the members of the Cape Fear Chapter,
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More than \$18K for ROTC Scholarships

Annual Tournament Draws 25 Teams at Baywood Golf Club

By COL Juan I. Chavez, USA, Ret.

The tournament held on Sept. 20 at Baywood Golf Course was a big success; not all receipts are in, but preliminary estimates indicate we netted in excess of \$18,000 for the ROTC scholarships and awards program fund.

We were privileged to treat 45 of our active duty service members (including 7 from the Wounded Transition Battalion) to a great day of golf and camaraderie. We owe a great deal of gratitude to our commercial sponsors for their continued loyalty and support, to the players who made the day, and to our chapter members for a commendable display of enthusiasm and generosity.

See “Spotlight” on page 5 for a list of sponsors and donors.



Warming up at Baywood Golf Club before the shotgun start. (Photo by Art Rodriguez)

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President's Report

By COL Juan I.
Chavez, USA, Ret.

Our annual fund raising golf tournament held at Baywood Golf Course on Sept. 20 was a resounding success. While not all the figures are in, it is safe to say that we netted in excess of \$18,000. The lion's share of the credit of course goes to Tammy Beshlin, our Tournament Director. She worked tirelessly for about three months to make this happen; we owe her a great debt of gratitude. Thanks Tammy, you outdid yourself again; we're blessed to have you and your husband Dave.

Thanks also to our members who contributed in one fashion or another, e.g., sponsoring a hole, or a soldier; donating cash/prizes; playing; or, volunteering to serve on the tournament committee. Our member participation rate went up from last year's 20%, to 27% this year; an improvement indeed but not even close to our goal of 80%. Why the majority of our members cannot be persuaded to take part in the only fund raising event of the year in support of our chapter's primary philanthropic endeavor remains a mystery.

With the golf tournament behind us, we turn our focus to some important upcoming events. Our annual general membership meeting will be on November 21. The meeting will be held in conjunction with a dinner at the Fort Bragg Club starting at 1800 hours. Included in the agenda is the presentation of a slate of candidates for election to chapter president and all executive board positions for the term 2015-2016. The recommended dues structure for 2015 will be voted on by the general membership that evening as well.



Our featured speaker for the evening will be chapter member Major (Ret) Rusty Bradley, a former Special Forces A Detachment Commander, and author of *The Lions of Kandahar: The Story of a Fight Against All Odds*. An excellent review of his book by Bob Seals, a

retired Special Forces officer employed by General Dynamics Information Technology in the Mission Command Exercise Division of the U.S. Army Special Operations Mission Command Training Center on Fort Bragg is at <http://www.militaryhistoryonline.com/review/linsonsofkandahar.aspx>.

I recommend you read it and other similar postings on the internet to give you a glimpse of what this remarkable warrior and his detachment of Green Berets endured and accomplished. Rusty will be available to autograph copies of his book at the meeting.

Other special events just over the horizon are the annual trip to Myrtle Beach on Dec. 5 to enjoy a Christmas show and dinner, and a formal holiday celebration ball on Dec. 13 in the Lafayette Room of the Fort Bragg Club. The latter event has traditionally been sponsored by the Ladies of MOAA, but was cancelled for the first time last year due to insufficient interest. Because many of our members missed this annual event, we decided to team up with the ladies and bring it back with a great dance band and a very modest price tag. Event flyers for both events are included in this issue; make your reservations early.

I close my notes with birthday greetings on behalf of the chapter to all our United States Navy members who celebrate their 239th birthday on October 13, 2014. [We salute you!](#)



Editorial By Don Gersh**Deadline is Oct. 21**

Appointment of Nominations Committee

Pursuant to the CFC bylaws a nominations committee was appointed to compile a slate of candidates for election to

Chapter President and five other elective positions on the Chapter Executive Board for service during the 2-year term beginning on January 1, 2015.

The Nominations Committee is composed of the following members:

LTC (Ret) Bob Garman, Chairman

LTC (Ret) Dave Beshlin

LTC (Ret) Dennis Franken

LTC (Ret) Steve Mannell

MAJ (Ret) Ron O'Brien

Members of the Nominations Committee are now accepting nominations for the elective positions listed below. Nominations may be submitted to any member of the committee between now and Oct. 21.

Members are advised to first contact the person being nominated to ascertain that they will accept and agree to serve if elected.

Elected positions are:

President

1st Vice President (Membership Chair)

2nd Vice President (Programs Chair)

3rd Vice President (ROTC Chair)

Secretary

Treasurer

Kudos to the Annual ROTC Golf

Tournament Committee for its hard work and success! As President Chavez said in his report, the tournament netted more than \$18,000 for the chapter's primary philanthropic endeavor.

Thanks to the Golf Committee volunteers: Art & Argie Rodriguez; John & Ann Hazlett; Steve, Dan and Sandi Byrnes; Claudie, Tom and Caitlin Wallen; Andrea & Matthew Candlish; Shawna Blackwell; George Blanc; Miles Porter; Ralph Hinrichs; Carol Ivey; Don Gersh; Arlie Smith; Dave and Tammy Beshlin; and Juan & Maria Chavez.

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Auxiliary Corner: NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR AUXILIARY MEMBERS

By Kathy Prout, vice chair, Auxiliary Member Advisory Committee, National MOAA

MOAA's auxiliary members are the survivors of deceased MOAA members or the survivors of deceased individuals who, if living, would be eligible for MOAA membership. As of a vote by MOAA members in August 2012, auxiliary members now have voting rights.

This year, for the first time, an auxiliary member will hold an elected position on the MOAA board of directors for a six-year term of office. His or her job will be to act as a spokesperson for all auxiliary members and to represent the interests and issues of surviving spouses on the board.

Auxiliary members also are eligible for leadership roles in councils and chapters. Some chapters already have begun using the talents of their auxiliary members on their boards, not just as auxiliary liaisons but also as chapter presidents, vice presidents, secretaries, newsletter editors, and more.

Auxiliary members add value to chapters and councils. As military spouses, they have many experiences unique to the military lifestyle. They have left their hometowns and established new homes at every duty station, moved often and usually alone, and served the role of single parents during deployments before Skype and email existed. In addition, they have been chauffeurs, team parents, scout leaders, PTA officers and members, event planners, hosts, fundraisers for military officers' spouses' clubs and other organizations, and committee chairs — sometimes all while holding jobs of

their own. Auxiliary members can be sources of untapped talent.

Auxiliary members should consider volunteering for leadership positions within local chapters, and chapter leaders should consider inviting their auxiliary members to participate in their chapters. Chapters with active auxiliary members tend to be more successful. Think about including your auxiliary members when considering new board positions. They will increase your official chapter membership while providing new ideas and leadership opportunities for your chapter or council

[From September 2014 *The Affiliate*]



Auxiliary News: Estate Planning

By Carol Ivey, Cape Fear Chapter

We don't like to think about dying but unfortunately it happens. Estate planning is the process of letting your family distribute your property and assets exactly as you would like to have it done.

Every one of us needs three things; a will, a living will and a health care power of attorney. Our installation JAG is able to accomplish this procedure.

I hope you save your old phone book as Century Link has dropped most of the Fort Bragg numbers, plus all the numbers of those of us who do not subscribe to Century Link.



Spotlight on:

*Golf Tournament Sponsors & Donors*

The following is a list of all sponsors and donors; those indicated by an asterisk (*) contributed in multiple ways.

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June 11-14, 2015

N. C. Council of Chapters State Convention

The location for the NC Council of Chapters state convention in 2015 is the High Hampton Inn located in Cashiers, NC in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains. To learn more about the facility, its amenities and nearby places of interest, go to www.highhamptoninn.com or see registration form attached on page XC.

*To register for the June 2015 State Convention use the form on page 12 and mail with your **deposit by Oct. 15, 2014.***

This event is for **ALL** North Carolina Council and Chapter members and their families. While there may be a few times when Council and Chapter officers and presidents will meet for business, the main theme of the convention will be to share in the fun and the

camaraderie of our like-minded members and their families.

About the Inn:

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, High Hampton Inn has welcomed guests to this North Carolina mountain town since 1922. Originally developed as a summer retreat to escape the heat of the low country, wealthy families traveled by train and then horse and buggy to reach the retreat. Today the Inn welcomes guests to its 1400 acres in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. The Inn offers rooms in the main house as well as a collection of cottages. The exterior of the Inn is made from chestnut and poplar shingles while the interior contains natural woods from the original estate in a board and batten pattern. The rustic rooms are woodsy, yet elegant and feature hand-hewn twig and mountain crafted furnishings with private baths. In the tradition of mountain living, there are no televisions or telephones in the rooms. However, as a nod to the 21st century, wireless internet and televisions are available in the lobby and common areas of the rustic lodge.

Dining:

Meals are bountiful Southern culinary affairs using fresh seasonal ingredients and traditional recipes that have been handed down over the generations. Favorites such as High Hampton fried chicken, local rainbow trout and herb crusted prime rib are all served in an elegant buffet style. Three complete meals per days are included.

Activities:

The mountain air and atmosphere encourage outdoor activities including

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swimming in the Inn's crystal clear lake or hiking on the many trails. A spa, fly fishing, shuffleboard croquet, corn toss, paddle boats as well as golf are also available. A special discounted group golf rate of \$60 per person including green fees and carts is being offered. Offsite, a visit to the quaint towns of Cashiers and Highlands is planned.

Price:

\$979 per couple; \$849 single. Includes 3 nights lodging, all meals, taxes and gratuities. Also includes group meetings private cocktail party, special group banquet with surprise speaker.



Membership Update

Recruiting

Six new members joined our rolls during the month of September 2014, bringing our total to 47 this year. A warm welcome is extended to our newest members:

COL (Ret) Peter W. Aubrey, USA
COL (Ret) Ray Barbeau, USA
COL (Ret) Michael Johnson, USA
COL (Ret) Strep R. Kuehl, USA
LTC Brian C. Scott, USA
CPT William D. Hickey, USA

MOAA puts everything into protecting our rights and those of all other service members. There are challenges on the horizon and we need to strengthen our numbers. Help us fight back by recruiting someone to join. The **eligibility criteria** for membership are: *any commissioned or warrant officer – active duty,*

retired, former, Reserve or National Guard, in any of the seven uniformed services.

Retention

For the very few who did not respond to renewal notices, your membership can still be reinstated if you reapply. If you fall in that category, please mail in your request using the form on the back page of the *Infogram*. You can also renew online and pay by credit card by going to

<http://www.moaa.org/OnlineChapterDuesPayment/>.

If you have any questions please call Secretary Don Gersh at (910) 484-4545.



Chaplain's Corner

By CHAP (MAJ) Ron Webb, USA

Friends, fellow officers and members of Cape Fear MOAA, I am writing this Chaplain's Corner from Enduring Faith Chapel in Bagram, Afghanistan.

It has been more than 12 years since America first came to Afghanistan. We were very proud when our American Forces forced the Taliban into the mountains and caves of eastern Afghanistan and Pakistan, and we still have good reason to have that same pride and optimism.

Our military is fighting on with energy and perseverance. Former President George W. Bush was correct when he said after 11th of September 2001 that "terrorist attacks can shake the foundations of our biggest buildings, but they cannot touch the foundation of America.

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These acts shatter steel, but they cannot dent the steel of American resolve.”

The United States and its coalition partners, of course, are still engaged in a war on terror that doesn't seem to abate. We should not lose faith in our cause or in the people that are carrying it out. I am simply amazed at what I see in my own unit—the 82nd Combat Aviation Brigade, as our pilots and crews tireless and courageously carry out their missions.

Legislative Update

By Don Gersh, Legislative Chair
and MOAA Website

By Col. Mike Hayden, USAF (Ret), National MOAA
Legislative Affairs

Congress must act soon to stop sequestration or the Pentagon will be faced with another installment of \$52 billion in cuts for FY 2014 as a result of the Budget Control Act of 2011. However, the chances of Congress jumping on this any time soon are slim to none. Congress returned from August recess with a hefty workload — combat operations in Syria, no FY 2014 budget, no continuing resolution, and the debt ceiling about to bust.

When sequestration went into effect March 1, 2013, the department had to juggle military readiness, combat operations, and sustaining the all-volunteer force — all mid-way through the year of executing the FY 2013 budget. With five years of my own in the puzzle palace and closely working with the budgeters, there weren't many happy campers in and around the comptroller's office.

And with sequestration, these campers' and budget planners' moods have gotten much, much worse. The Pentagon planners have jumped through hoops over the past several years to keep the budget books balanced. Now

It is also to our advantage to think the same way in terms of our spiritual struggles and say in agreement with God's Word, “**Let us not become weary in doing good**, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do **not** give up.” (Galatians 6:9) Please keep praying and using your “one powerful voice” and the United States will overcome! ***Pro Deo Et Patria.***



they face FY 2014 without a budget and are planning three separated FY 2015 budgets.

Over the summer, Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel had the Pentagon planners develop “a menu of [cut] options” for three different budget scenarios in the recent Strategic Choices and Management Review:

1. **Palatable** (but definitely leaves a bad taste): the president's FY 2014 budget submission of \$150 billion over 10 years
2. **Breaking** (as in breaking readiness): sequestration-level cuts of \$500 billion over 10 years
3. **Bending**: an “in-between” scenario with cuts of \$250 billion over 10 years

Beyond hardware options (cutting up to five Air Force tactical squadrons, reducing C-130s, retiring bombers, and potentially reducing the number of carrier strike groups from 11 to eight), Hagel stated the Pentagon “has no choice but to consider compensation changes of greater magnitude for military and civilian personnel.” Measures compensation options planners are contemplating include (but are not limited to):

- downsizing end strength by up to 202,000 active and reserve component troops;
- pushing military retirees to use private-sector health care insurance;
- cutting basic allowance for housing;
- reducing overseas COLAs;
- capping military and civilian pay raises;

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- eliminating civilian pensions for retired military personnel serving in the federal service; and
- ending commissary subsidies.

While debt reduction is a national priority, the Pentagon has been levied with a disproportional share of this burden. Service members and their families already have sacrificed more for their country than any other segment of Americans. House Armed Services Chair Rep. Howard “Buck” McKeon (R-Calif.) stated, “We cannot keep asking the military to perform mission after mission with sequestration and military cuts hanging over their heads.”

The bottom line: We couldn’t agree more. It is time for Congress to put partisan politics aside and develop an alternative debt-reduction package that more fairly balances required sacrifices and avoids disproportional penalties for service members and retirees and their families. **Ask Congress to stop sequestration now!**

**[Send your legislators the MOAA-suggested message at
<http://capwiz.com/moaa/issues/alert/?alertid=62794996>**

MOAA Legislative Goals

- Sustain active duty, Guard and Reserve force sizes to meet mission requirements.
- Sustain military pay comparability with private sector.
- Protect currently serving and retiree benefits against severe, arbitrary sequestration cuts.

Annual Chapter Membership Meeting/Dinner

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Guest speaker MAJ (Ret) Rusty Bradley, US Army Special Forces

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CFC Leaders attend MOAA 2014 Chapter Leaders' Symposium in Florida

Three leaders of the Cape Fear Chapter of the [Military Officers Association of America \(MOAA\)](#) recently attended MOAA's annual Chapter Leaders' Symposium held at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront in Jacksonville, Fla.

COL Juan Chavez, US Army, Ret.; 3rd Vice President/ROTC Chair LTC Bill Dadek, US Army, Ret., and Secretary/Legislative Chair LTC Don Gersh, US Army, Ret., attended the annual symposium Sept. 4-6.

Colonel Chavez: *"This was the first leaders' symposium I've had the privilege of attending since I took over the chapter and I'm glad I did. I was impressed with how well the symposium was organized and executed. The opportunity to interact with other chapter leaders and share problems, solutions and ideas was most beneficial; we all learned from each other how to improve our chapters. I'm thankful that two of my directors were able to accompany me and share the experience. I wish my entire board of directors could've attended, but we were limited to three. The professionalism exhibited by the MOAA National leadership and staff in their presentations and interactions made one proud to be part of a top-notch organization."*

The chapter system includes 34 state councils and 412 chapters nationwide. Each

year MOAA holds the Chapter Leaders' Symposium in one of four regions, moving from east to west across the country.

The CFC leaders joined 240 council and other chapter leaders and their spouses from seven state councils and more than 90 chapters in MOAA's Southeast region. Participants met with other council and chapter leaders and key members of the national staff and board of directors before hitting the dance floor.

Leaders attended general session and breakout workshops the following day, where they discussed membership challenges, shared best practices, and brain-stormed new ideas.

Membership chairs discussed how to recruit and retain more members, while council and chapter presidents and vice presidents reviewed management techniques. Council and chapter legislative chairs and liaisons attended a special workshop focused on grassroots advocacy and legislative affairs.

"Our council and chapter leaders play extremely vital role in MOAA's overall success. From grassroots advocacy to community service, they make it happen," President of MOAA Vice Adm. Norb Ryan, said. "This is a valuable way for us to listen and learn from each other about how to lead our chapters and make them more effective for their members and their surrounding communities. These chapter leaders work hard, and we want to do all we can to help them with their responsibilities," he concluded.



(Left to right) Bill Dadek, VADM Ryan, Juan Chavez and Don Gersh



Please join us at the
Biennial Statewide Convention
 11-14 June 2015 at the
High Hampton Inn and Country Club – Cashiers, NC

Every two years, we gather together and do something very special in a particularly welcoming venue. The past two NCCOC State Conventions have been held on cruise ships. This time, we wanted to stay “home” and thus we looked at a variety of great places from mountains to the coast. We selected the *High Hampton Inn and Country Club* which has a fantastic reputation for being a most welcoming and luxurious mountain locale, with great dining, amenities and many opportunities for great exploring (www.highhamptoninn.com) We’re planning on lots of camaraderie and just a small amount of quarterly business time. This event is for ALL MOAA members and their families and friends with a goal of *Connecting, Learning and Building* our organization and certainly making wonderful memories. We’re on the National MOAA calendar and have invited a great group of Very Special People to join us from MOAA and the Great State of North Carolina.

REGISTRATION FORM

Member Name _____ Name on Badge _____

Spouse/Guest Name _____ Name on Badge _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Telephone Home _____ Cell _____ Email _____

Dietary Restrictions _____ Accessibility Requirements _____ If single,

do you want a roommate? Do you want help finding a roommate?

Prices: Couple or 2 sharing room \$979/Single \$849 . Price includes room, all meals, taxes, fees and gratuities.

Deposit of \$100 / per couple or \$50 for single - due 15 October 2014. The balance will be due 15 March 2015.

Please make checks payable to : **MOAA/NCCOC**

Mail to the NCCOC Treasurer: COL Ed Baisden, USA (Ret) 2000 Country Club Court, Sanford, NC 27332

Please contact COL Jeri Graham, USA (Ret) with any questions or concerns at (910) 616-3487 or email:

jigrahamusa@gmail.com Please check www.moaa-nc.org for information and updates.

**CAPE FEAR CHAPTER
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING/DINNER**

Hodge Room, Fort Bragg Club

1800 HOURS, FRIDAY, 21 November 2014

COST: \$26.00 PER PERSON (Tax & Gratuity Included)

DRESS: Coat & Tie for Gentlemen; Comparable Attire for Ladies

Menu

Classic Grand Buffet

London Broil Steak w/Bordelaise Sauce; Chicken Marsala in Wine Sauce; Wild Rice Pilaf; Green Beans w/Almonds & Thyme; Mixed Green Salad; Dinner Rolls w/Butter; NY Cheesecake w/Strawberry Topping; Unsweetened Ice Tea, Coffee, and Iced Water.

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Send reservations and check (payable to CFC MOAA) to:

George Blanc, 3490 Thamesford Rd., Fayetteville, NC 28311

NAME _____

NAME OF GUEST(S) _____

NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS _____ **X \$26.00 =** _____

**CAPE FEAR CHAPTER
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**

ANNUAL TRIP TO MYRTLE BEACH, SC

FRIDAY, 5 DECEMBER 2014

COST: \$75.00 per person

(Includes bus fare, show tickets, dinner and gratuity.)

PROGRAM: Motor coach will depart Fort Bragg Club parking lot at 8:30 AM on Friday, 5 December 2014. Group will stop for lunch (Dutch Treat) at the K&W Cafeteria in Myrtle Beach. The Christmas Show at the Alabama Theater is at 1:45 PM, and dinner at the Chestnut Hill Restaurant at 5:00 PM. Group will have approximately 55 minutes to browse at The Barefoot Landing Shopping Center before dinner. Estimated time of return to the Fort Bragg Club parking lot is 9:15 PM.

RSVP NLT 28 November 2014

(Trip limited to 52 passengers, make reservations early.)

Send reservations and check (payable to CFC MOAA) to:

Art Rodriguez, 3406 Sugar Cane Circle, Fayetteville, NC 28303

MYRTLE BEACH TRIP RESERVATION

NAME _____

TELEPHONE Nr. _____

NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS _____ **x \$75.00 =** _____

The Cape Fear Chapter of MOAA

And the Ladies of the CFC

Cordially Invite You To

A

Formal Holiday Celebration

Saturday, December 13, 2014

Fort Bragg Club - Lafayette Room

Cocktails 6:00pm

Dinner 7:00pm

Music by: GOLD RUSH BAND

7:00pm - 11:00pm

Dress: Formal Attire

Menu

FILET MIGNON

OVEN ROASTED HALF CHICKEN

GRILLED SALMON W/LEMON DILL SAUCE

MIXED GREEN SALAD

ROASTED HERB BABY RED POTATOES

SEASONAL VEGGIE BLEND

ICE CREAM W/PEACH SAUCE

Reservations Due By 6 December 2014 ♦ No cancellations after 9 December 2014

Send in this portion with your check payable to CFC MOAA to:

Argie Rodriguez, 3406 Sugar Cane Cir, Fayetteville, NC 28303 or George Blanc, 3490 Thamesford Dr, Fayetteville, NC 28311

Name(s) _____ Number _____ x \$50.00 = \$ _____

Table Seating Preference _____ (8 per table)

___ Filet Mignon ___ Roasted Chicken ___ Grilled Salmon

Annual Golf Tournament
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**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE CAPE FEAR CHAPTER OF THE
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Initial Application ☐ Renewal ☐ Date _____

(Last Name) (First Name) (MI) (Rank) Branch of Service)

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(City) (State) (Zip) (Email Address)

Spouse's name: _____

Status: Retired ☐ Active Duty ☐ Former Officer ☐ Reserve ☐ National Guard ☐

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I would like to receive my chapter newsletter via: Email ☐ USPS ☐

Your signature: _____

Annual Chapter membership dues are \$20.00 for Regular members; \$10.00 for Auxiliary.

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Calendar of Events:

- 7 Oct – CFC Board of Directors Meeting, Fort Bragg Club, 1100 hours
- 13 Oct – US Navy Birthday
- 4 Nov – Election Date
- 4 Nov – CFC Board of Directors Meeting, Fort Bragg Club, 1100 hours
- 8 Nov – Veterans' Day Parade, Downtown Fayetteville
- 10 Nov – US Marine Corps Birthday
- 11 Nov – Veterans' Day
- 21 Nov – CFC Annual General Membership Meeting and
Dinner, Fort Bragg Club, 1800 hours
- 27 Nov – Thanksgiving
- 2 Dec – CFC Board of Directors Meeting, Fort Bragg Club, 1100 hours
- 5 Dec – Holiday Trip to Myrtle Beach
- 13 Dec – CFC/LOM Holiday Celebration Dinner Dance, Fort Bragg Club,
1800 hours