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Top JROTC Cadets will receive scholarships

U.S. Rep. Ellmers to address Chapter

Whether you're glued to breaking news available from radio/TV or online, you certainly have topics galore to grab your interest. Politics, weather, and Cape Fear Chapter MOAA 2nd Annual Scholarship Luncheon seem to be on everyone's mind.

About the only certainty is that the Chapter is awarding three deserving JROTC cadets scholarships that will help them financially when they enroll in college this summer.

The inaugural Bill Dadek Memorial JROTC Scholarship is being presented to the top recipient. Maureen Dadek will make the presentation to a most deserving Terry Sanford High School cadet.

For the second year, Rep. Renee Ellmers (R, NC-2) will join us at The Mash House and give us an update on her legislative initiatives.

The event flier is on page 9. Cost is \$15 per person.

Join us on Friday, May 27. Memberships may be renewed as well. Annual dues are \$20 for regular members and \$10 for surviving spouses.

Doors open at 1130 hours.



US Rep. Renee Ellmers

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President's Report

By COL (Ret) Juan I. Chavez, USA

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Well deserved recognition

Another very busy May is upon us, and several members of our chapter are deeply engaged in executing events and planning for others. Let me give you a run-down on what's happening.

The end of the school year means that every one of the 26 high school JROTC and 5 university SROTC programs we support are having their end-of-year ROTC balls and awards ceremonies. This not only entails the administrative processing of MOAA awards recommendations, but delivering the medals and certificates to the schools, and most importantly, having a chapter member attend the ceremony to present them. Because of the number of schools, it is not uncommon to have two or three of these ceremonies falling on the same day.

This time of the year also means the processing of JROTC and SROTC scholarship applications, and of course, presentation of same. Last year was the first time that we presented all the JROTC scholarships at a scholarship awards luncheon. All scholarship recipients and their parents were invited and attended. The event went off so well and the feedback was so positive that we decided to make it an annual event.

The second annual JROTC Scholarship Awards Luncheon will be held on Friday the 27th of May 2016 at The Mash House Restaurant. We have again invited all scholarship recipients and their parents and we expect all of them to attend. The first "Bill Dadek Memorial Scholarship" will be presented at this event. Being that our scholarship program is our primary philanthropic endeavor, we encourage maximum attendance at this event. Our guest speaker will be U.S. Repre-

sentative Renee Ellmers of North Carolina. Make your reservations now.

We'll close out the month by honoring all our military men and women who died while in the service of our country on Memorial Day the 30th of May. The Cape Fear Chapter will be participating in the Memorial Day Ceremony at Freedom Memorial Park starting at 1000 hours. The Chapter will present our final donation towards the purchase of a Global War on Terrorism Monument, and will place a memorial wreath at its planned location. Again, I encourage maximum attendance at this very special and emotional event as a way of honoring our fallen comrades.

That's not all we have going on during the month of May. Chapter Presidents and their Legislative Chairs will be storming the NC Legislature on the 11th of May to visit all our state legislators to solicit their support for legislation effecting our military and veterans in North Carolina. Finally, we observe Armed Forces Day on the 21st of May.

I want to thank our Board of Directors for all they do, particularly Marty Williams who is responsible for all ROTC and scholarship affairs, he's done a phenomenal job since he took over from Bill. Secondly, I want to thank all of you who contributed to the Global War on Terrorism Monument fund drive, your generosity and sense of community service and patriotism will forever be displayed. Hope to see many of you on Memorial Day.

Juan

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Membership

Commissioned and warrant officers (former, current, retired) of all uniformed services

Chapter Notes:

Membership

RECRUITING We were fortunate to add 5 new members to our rolls in April, bringing our total to 9 new members year-to-date. It is a pleasure to introduce our new additions:

COL (Ret) Edward R. Schowalter, III, USA

MAJ Sobana D. Somaratna, USA

MAJ (Ret) Thomas E. Streater, USA

1st Lt Desiree Whitaker, USAF

2nd Lt Marlon Whitaker, USAFR

Please continue to recruit aggressively and try to fill your quota of **ONE** new member this year. We live in a community teeming with eligible prospects, so it is not that difficult. To review, 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 Believe it or not, we still have a number of members who have not renewed for 2016, despite repeated reminders, notices, and appeals. If you are delinquent just use the form on the back of the *Infogram* and remit today, or you can renew online and pay by credit card at

<https://chapterdues.moaa.org/Membership.aspx>.

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

KOREAN WAR VETS Alex Hodges, one of our members, is also the American Vice President for the Fayetteville Korean American Association. His association will be celebrating Korea's Independence Day on August 14, 2016, and would like to recognize all Korean War Veterans.

If you are a Korean War Vet and would like to receive a formal invitation to this event, please contact Alex Hodges NLT June 1. Alex can be reached by telephone at: (215) 266-5207, or email at: mrslim233@gmail.com.



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Memberships renewed for 2016

To the approximate 50 percent of our Chapter, thank you for renewing your membership! If you do not see your name on the list, either I made a mistake or have not received your membership fee. Please let me know if you paid or are exempt. I would like to publish an update to the biannual membership directory. There have been many changes since it was printed. I should have the changes for those listed below, that is if you updated the renewal form or did not have any changes. Thanks again, *Don*

Last Name, First Name, Rank and Service

Adams Deanna	LCDR	USN
Asbury Fleming	CW2	USA
Atkinson Timothy	LTC	USA
Babigan Alan	COL	USA
Baggett David	COL	USA
Baker Betty		
Baldwin Marty		
Ballard Eli	COL	USA
Barker Matthew	Col	USAF
Bass Ilse		
Bean Ronald	LtCol	USMC
Beery Lester	CWO4	USN
Bell William (Bill)	COL	USA
Beshlin David	LTC	USA
Blanc George	COL	USA
Bliss Andrew	LTC	USA
Boyatt Mark	COL	USA
Bradley Jerry (Rusty)	MAJ	USA
Breece Robert		
Brennan Timothy	LTC	USA
Brewington Tony	MAJ	USA
Brindel Charles	COL	USA
Brown Bruce	LTC	USA
Byrnes Stephen	LtCol	USAF
Campell Carolyn (Jody)		
Cannon Larry	Col	USAF
Carrion Angel	MAJ	USA
Chavez Juan	COL	USA
Chavis Kenneth	MAJ	USA
Chelf Kenneth	LTC	USA
Chrishon James	LTC	USA

Cook James	LTC	USA
Covington Thomas	LTC	USA
Croll Gerald (Jerry)	MAJ	USA
Dadek Maureen		
Dallas Frank	LTC	USA
Daniels Marjorie		
Davis Robert (Tim)	LTC	USA
Davis Addison (Tad)	COL	USA
Delahunty Thomas	LTC	USA
DiCassio Kevin	LTC	USA
Dodson Stanley	COL	USA
Drenkhahn Andrew	LTC	USA
DuBreuil Richard (Rich)	COL	USA
Dunigan John	COL	USA
Ecklund Simon Clark	LTC	USA
Ellmers Renee		
Elrod Ronald	COL	USA
Fleming James	CW3	USA
Foster Elizabeth		
Foxx Ronnie	COL	USA
Franken Dennis	LTC	USA
Garman Robert	LTC	USA
George Harrison	CW5	USA
Gersh Doneal	LTC	USA
Gibson Hubert	MAJ	USA
Glann George	LTC	USA
Glockzin Thomas	Lt Col	USAF
Graham Jeri	COL	USA
Grammage Robert	CPT	USA
Grammage Sabrina	CPT	USA
Grates Christopher	LTC	USA

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A Friend of the Library, And Of Much, Much More

By Sara VanderClute, Special Correspondent

On a recent Friday evening, in the lobby of the Headquarters Library, retired Army Lt. Col. Marty Williams was welcoming a throng of people who had come to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Friends of the Library. That membership organization exists to keep an award-winning library system like Cumberland County's functioning optimally. To do that, they run the periodic book sales, bring in interesting programs, including author visits, and contribute funding to the occasional "above and beyond" needs of the library system. Marty Williams became involved with the organization through attending the book sales and running into other retired military people there.

Williams is a fan of the local library system in general. An avid reader, he says "The library system here is a jewel, it's just a gem. It plays such an important role in the life of people here, offering help with employment, programs that inspire...And the employees are great, they really know what they're doing."

Born in Venezuela, where his father worked with Mobil Oil before the company was nationalized, Williams attended college in Arizona. He was an ROTC student, and was commissioned in 1973. He's served in Korea, Germany, Fort Sill and of course, Fort Bragg. He met his wife, Judy, here and they were married in 1979. Judy is now a retired Cumberland County school teacher, and the couple are the



Marty Williams

parents of an adult daughter who now resides in Greensboro.

LTC Williams military career is somewhat atypical, as it was interspersed with a brief stint with Eastern Airlines in Miami and a long career with the state of North Carolina as a Veterans Service Officer in Raleigh and Fayetteville. He retired from the Army Reserves in 2001.

The Williams' both enjoy reading, attending the shows at Durham's Performing Arts Center, and day trips to local parks and attractions. Marty says landscaping and gardening is his current substitute for Army PT, and that both he and his wife enjoy looking after their three cats. He shares their names (Jumper, Spookie and Bootsie) with discernible fondness in his voice. Marty is also a Sunday School teacher, and a trustee at his church, Salem United Methodist.

Acknowledging that having pets can be restrictive, Williams does think that another trip out West is something he'd like to do someday. Seeing his alma mater again, and the magnificent Western scenery, is a bucket list item he'd like to fulfill.

Williams is currently serving as the chairman of the local MOAA chapter's ROTC Scholarship committee.

"What I like about MOAA is that they are an advocacy organization," he says.
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“They advocate for our national defense and for the earned entitlements of those who have served.”

He also enjoys the regular chapter meetings now that he is fully retired.

“The camaraderie is fun,” he says. “And I really enjoy my role as ROTC scholarship chairman. I get to deliver the MOAA medal to these young people in the local schools. I sure see a lot of fine young people as I do that.”

Enjoying retirement after a long and varied career, Marty Williams is contributing to his community in a different way. His high regard for veterans will continue as he serves in a leadership role with MOAA, and his contributory life as a civilian represents how valuable former soldiers can be in building a better community.

This is the second in a series of feature profiles of local MOAA members, with the intention of better acquainting members with each other and the greater community, as well as illustrating the interesting and contributory paths many officers choose after military service.



Kevin Knapp

MOAA Veterans Service Officer

Monthly Visit - June (Date to be announced)

Kevin Knapp will be in town sometime in June to assist MOAA members file VA claims. When his schedule is firm, we will post it on the website. He will not be here this month.

Call him at (252) 916-6631 or email him at kevink@moaa.org to schedule an appointment. He will be located in the Green Beret Foundation offices at 6515 Dental Lane, Fayetteville, NC 28314.

Friday, May 27

**2nd Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon at
The Mash House**

Bill Dadek Memorial JROTC Scholarship



**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE CAPE FEAR CHAPTER OF THE
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION *of* AMERICA**

Initial Application ☐ Renewal ☐ Date _____

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

(Mailing Address: Number and Street) (Preferred Telephone Number)

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

Birth date _____ Spouse's name _____

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

Cadet/Midshipman ☐ Surviving Spouse ☐ (Please fill in the above information but show your deceased spouse's rank and branch of service)

I am ☐ a member of National MOAA; my member # is _____. I am a Life Member ☐

I am not ☐ a National MOAA member, but intend to join.

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

In addition to my dues, I have included a donation of \$_____ for the Chapter's ROTC Scholarship Fund.

Signature: _____

**Annual Chapter membership dues: \$20.00 for Regular members
\$10.00 for Surviving Spouses**

Please mail this application with your check (payable to CFC, MOAA) to:

**CAPE FEAR CHAPTER, MOAA
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Fayetteville, NC 28305**

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Haley	Roderick	LtCol	USAF
Hermann	John	COL	USA
Hill	Stephen	MAJ	USA
Hinrichs	Ralph	LTC	USA
Hutnan	George	LTC	USA
Ives	Robert	MAJ	USA
Ivey	Carol		
Jackson	Edward	MAJ	USA
Jasienowski	Joseph	CW4	USA
Jaks	Frank	MAJ	USA
Johnson	Michael	COL	USA
Karakos	Andrew	CAPT	USN
Kendziera	Christopher	LTC	USA
Kilman	Gisela		
King	Thomas	LTC	USA
Lanier	Lawrence	CW4	USA
Lepper	Barbara		
Lewis	Thelma		
Lininger	Gerald	MAJ	USA
Macal tao	Arturo (Art)	LTC	USA
Macon	Tommy	LTC	USA
Mason	Louis	COL	USA
McLaughlin	Robert	LTC	USA
McLaughlin	David	LTC	USA
Memminge	Tony	LTC	USA
Miller	Bryan	CPT	USA
Moses	Dan	COL	USA
Neilson	Loren	CPT	USA
O'Brien	Warren (Ron)	MAJ	USA
Oehme	Chester	Col	USAF
Paquette	Omer	COL	USA
Patton	Mark	Maj	USAF
Pittman	Deena	COL	USA
Porter	Eric (Rick)	BG	USA
Quinones	Deogracia	COL	USA
Reale	James	MAJ	USA
Rodriguez	Arturo (Art)	COL	USA
Rose	Alfred	LTC	USA
Ryan	Patrick	CDR	USN
Schowalter	Edward	COL	USA

Scott	Brian	LTC	USA
Sheets	Jon	LTC	USA
Shipp	Thomas	MAJ	USA
Simpson	Henry	MAJ	USA
Smith	Arlie	LTC	USA
Smoot	Robert (Bob)	COL	USA
Somaratna	Sobana	MAJ	USA
Sosa	Steven	MAJ	USA
Speicher	Martin	LTC	USA
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Streit	Phyllis		
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Swanson	Marvin	CW4	USA
Swift	N. Barry	LtCol	USAF
Thacker	Harold	CW4	USA
Tiffany	Robert	MAJ	USA
Till	Frank	MAJ	USA
Toro	Heber (Bull)	Lt Col	USAF
Tripp	Vencent	LTC	USA
Trudell	Jason	1LT	USA
Underwood	Richard	COL	USA
VanderClute	Burt	LTC	USA
Vanhout	Mary		
Vick	Thomas	CW4	USA
Vonnegut	Joseph	MAJ	USA
Vroom	David	CPT	USA
Wallen	Claudie	MAJ	USA
Watkins	Ira	MAJ	USA
Webster	Jeanette		
Welch	Maynard	CW4	USA
Whitaker	Desiree	1st Lt	USAF
Wilde	James	LTC	USA
Williams	Emilie		
Williams	Horace	LTC	USA
Williams	Martin (Marty)	LTC	USA
Williamson	Gregory	COL	USA
Wolfe	Timucin	LTC	USA
Wright	William	CW4	USA
Young	John	CW4	USA
Ziegler	Andrew (Drew)	LTC	USA



General Membership Meeting
Second Annual Scholarships
Awards Luncheon

The Mash House Restaurant
 4150 Sycamore Dairy Rd.

1130 hours, Friday, May 27, 2016

Cost: \$15.00 Per Person

(Tax & Gratuity Included)

Attire: Dressy Casual

Buffet Menu

Pulled Pork BBQ and Lemon
 Pepper Cod

Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Rice
 Pilaf and Seasonal Veggies

Dinner Rolls

Dessert: Peach Cobbler

Drinks: Water, Iced Tea, and
 Coffee

(No Host Bar)

RSVP NLT May 23, 2016

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

George Blanc, 3490 Thamesford Rd.
 Fayetteville, NC 28311

Reservations Request

Name _____

Name of Guests

Number of Reservations _____

X \$15.00 = _____



News from MOAA:

May 6, 2016

Ten things you need to know about the Defense Bill

1. Troubled by the Pentagon's acknowledgement that its proposed TRICARE network would only cover 85 percent of the beneficiary population committee chair Rep. Mac Thornberry (R-Tex.) and Military Personnel Subcommittee chair Joe Heck (R-Nev.) put a provision in the bill to increase the coverage to 90 percent. But the Congressional Budget Office advised this change would exceed budget limits. So the chairmen's proposed increase had to be withdrawn.
2. Rep. Seth Moulton (D-Mass.) included an amendment requiring the Secretary of Defense to help identify which members of the military are at high risk of suicide to aid in intervention efforts.
3. Rep. Marc Veasey (D-Texas) asked for a report on providing acupuncture and chiropractic care for TRICARE retirees. This has been a longstanding MOAA legislative goal.
4. Rep. Randy Forbes (R-Va.) called for the creation of a pilot program for TRICARE beneficiaries to get prescription maintenance medications at retail pharmacies. Drug manufacturers would pay rebates to DoD for medications, ensuring the government pays the lowest available price.
5. Rep. Brad Ashford's (D-Neb.) would direct DoD to provide Congress a report on the feasibility of authorizing commissary and exchange access for disabled veterans who received the Purple Heart.
6. Rep. Duncan Hunter (R-Calif.) introduced - then subsequently voted against - his own amendment requiring women, as well as men, to register for the draft. The unusual move was done as a part of a broader questioning of DoD's decision to open all combat positions to female servicemembers. The amendment did pass.
7. Rep. Susan Davis (D-Calif.) secured an amendment providing 14 days of parental leave for a servicemember whose civilian spouse gives birth.
8. Reps. Niki Tsongas (D-Mass.) and Mike Turner (R-Ohio) both introduced amendments to improve training for military sexual trauma.
9. Rep. Rich Nugent's (R-Fla.) amendment specifies National Guard dual status technicians (whose Guard positions also entail full-time federal civilian jobs) from being furloughed in the event of a government shutdown.
10. Rep. Tim Walz's (D-Minn.) amendment would require additional time before DoD could implement proposed efficiency initiatives (e.g., variable pricing and store brands) for the commissary system, out of concern for potential unintended consequences. The amendment failed on a voice vote after Military Personnel Subcommittee chair Heck articulated the various safeguards already included in the bill.

IN MEMORIAM

ELEANOR “ELLI” JACKSON

(February 12, 1938 – April 26, 2016)

It is with deep regret that we announce that Eleanor “Elli” Jackson, wife of regular member Major (Ret) Edward J. Jackson, passed away on April 26, 2016. Our heartfelt condolences are extended to Ed and the entire Jackson family during their bereavement.

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for a strong national defense, and
representing the interests of military
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

21 May - Armed Forces Day

27 May - CFC / 2nd Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon, The Mash House, 1130 hours

30 May - Memorial Day - Memorial Day Ceremony, Freedom Memorial Park, Fayetteville

7 Jun - CFC Board of Directors Meeting at Iron Mike Conference Center, 1100 hours

14 Jun - Army's 241st Birthday

14 Jun - Flag Day

4 Jul - Independence Day

5 Jul - CFC Board of Directors Meeting at Iron Mike Conference Center, 1100 hours

29 Jul - CFC General Membership Meeting at Iron Mike Conference Center, 1800 hours

2 Aug - CFC Board of Directors Meeting at Iron Mike Conference Center, 1100 hours

5 Sep - Labor Day

6 Sep - CFC Board of Directors Meeting at Iron Mike Conference Center, 1100 hours

17Sep - CFC Annual ROTC Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament, Baywood Golf Club