



HALIFAX AREA CHAPTER OFFICERS CALL December 2025



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~MISSION STATEMENT~

- **The Halifax Area Chapter is an affiliate of the Military Officers Association of America.**
- **Our mission is to maintain a strong national defense and preserve the earned benefits of the uniformed services and their families.**



HEADLINES: CHAPTER DUES REMINDER

Reminder to all members: Please make sure to pay your 2026 chapter dues of \$20 as soon as possible to maintain your active status and access to all chapter benefits. Timely payment is essential for supporting our activities and ensuring the continued success of our chapter. Thank you for your continued support!

Mailing Address: Please send checks payable to "Halifax Chapter of MOAA"
P.O. Box 2093, Daytona Beach, FL 32115-2093.

CHRISTMAS GALA & SILENT AUCTION 2025

How You Can Help:

We invite you to join us in making a difference by attending the Christmas Gala and participating in the Silent Auction. The Silent Auction will feature a variety of unique and exciting items, all generously donated by local businesses and individuals. All funds raised from the auction will directly benefit the scholarship program, ensuring that deserving students in our area have the resources they need to succeed. Whether you're looking for an opportunity to contribute a donation, bid on an auction item, or simply attend to enjoy an evening of holiday cheer, your support will make a significant impact. Your involvement will help provide scholarships to students who demonstrate excellence, dedication, and a passion for leadership through their participation in JROTC and ROTC programs.

How to Donate or Contribute Items:

If you're unable to attend but would still like to make a difference, please consider making a direct donation to the scholarship fund or contributing an item to our Silent Auction. Every contribution counts and will help ensure these future leaders have the support they need.

The POCs for your donated gifts or any questions are:

1st Vice President Anita Williams, CDR, USCGR 954-650-9532 williams.aann@gmail.com or 2nd Vice President Joe Peabody, CPT USA (RET) 913-244-2564 jpeabody65@gmail.com

RSVP & Tickets:

To reserve your spot at this meaningful event, please RSVP through this website. We look forward to celebrating the holiday season with you while giving back to the students who will lead us into tomorrow! <https://halifaxchaptermoaa.com/news-events/christmas-gala-silent-auction-2025-2/>

Press Release:

https://halifaxchaptermoaa.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/halifax_moaa_silent_auction_request_2025_release2.pdf

Thank you for your generosity, and we can't wait to see you at the Christmas Gala!

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Speakers Corner

2025-2026 Speakers

Speakers Schedule

October 2025	Surviving Spouses – Dr Izsel Harriett, PhD
November 2025	Mr. David Lydon, Lt Col, USAF (Ret) Flagler County Veteran’s Services
December 2025	No Speaker – Christmas Gala
January 2026	Mr. Ernie Audino, BG USA (Ret) – Volusia County Business & Community Development – Read his Bio here!
February 2026	Mr. David Freeman, Lt Col USA (Ret) – Adventurer and Veteran Connections
March 2026	TBD
April 2026	No Speaker – Cadet dinner
May 2026	No Speaker – Outstanding Support to Veterans Awards

To read more on our speakers’ stories click here  <https://halifaxchaptermoaa.com/news-events/speakers-corner/speakers-corner/>

President’s Message

Andrew (Drew) Hoffman, Capt., USAF (Ret).



I am honored and pleased to announce that we’ll be joined at our Christmas Holiday Dinner and Silent Auction by Lt Gen Brian (BK) Kelly, USAF, Retired. General Kelly is the President and CEO of MOAA. General Kelly entered the Air Force in 1989 as a graduate of the University of Notre Dame’s ROTC program. He has held several command and staff positions at the base, major command, Air Staff, and Joint Staff levels. His command tours include a Mission Support Squadron, Mission Support Group, Combat Support Wing and the Air Force Personnel Center. His major awards and decorations include Distinguished Service Medal,

Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster, Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award, Air Force Organizational Excellence Award with oak leaf cluster, National Defense Service Medal with bronze star, Iraq Campaign Medal with bronze star and Global War on Terrorism Service Medal. General Kelly will be conducting the swearing in of our 2026 Board of Directors.

November was a very busy month for our chapter as we joined Veterans, active duty personnel and others as we celebrated the service to our country. In addition to our monthly Bagels & Bingo and Coffee & Donuts services we participated in several celebrations of our great military members – past and present.

As you read this message, I hope you’ve taken a moment to submit your reservations for the Christmas Gala and Silent Auction. Not only is this a wonderful event but it also has become a major fund raiser for our scholarship account. Last year the silent auction raised just over \$2,000 and we hope to increase that this year. I’ve seen some of the items that will be auctioned that night and I know you’ll want to get in on the bidding. There is one item you’ll want to bid on for the holidays – a Big Basket of Booze by the Board (of directors) ... come join in the fun. Finally, look for an exciting new opportunity from the Gala-Silent Auction Committee ... come bid on a trip to the Dominican Republic!

Well, as they say in the film industry, “That’s a wrap!”, This is my last President’s Message as my term in office will be finished at the conclusion of the Christmas Gala. It’s been a very fast paced two years during which we’ve grown in membership, expanded our community involvement and, most importantly, significantly increased our communication efforts both internally and in the local media outlets. A BIG shout out to Anita and Joe for the increase in communication efforts. It has been an honor to serve the Halifax Area Chapter of MOAA. I thank each and every member for their active participation over the past two years and look forward to the continued success of our chapter. I wish Anita and the new board of directors much success in their leadership.

NEVER STOP SERVING!

Drew

Secretary's Report – November 4 , 2025 - Board of Directors' Meeting

The Secretary's Report November 4, 2025 - Board of Directors' Meeting

The MOAA Board of Director's Meeting for the Halifax Chapter of MOAA met on November 4, 2025, at the Halifax Yacht Club, in Daytona Beach, FL. The meeting was called to order by Andrew Hoffman at 10 a.m.

The following board members (showed with an asterisk) were present: Drew Hoffman*, Anita Williams*, Bancroft McKittrick*, Tina Dixon-Bartlett*, Lon Gardner*, Patti Higgins*, Steve Maas*, Skip Keating*, and Arnold Leeks.

Quorum requirements met.

Reports of Officer/Committees

1. **Secretary's Report - The minutes of the October Board of Directors meeting were distributed by email during the month of October 2025. Acceptance of these was nominated, seconded, and approved via email.**
2. **Treasurer's Report – Lon stated that there is \$1772 in the checking account along with \$150.00 petty cash for a total of \$1972. He mentioned that at the last luncheon there were 40 people, and we were charged for 41. Patti pointed out that the issue may have been that 2 registered people did not attend, one of them, a surviving spouse, passed that day. There was an invoice for the annual subscription Word Press which had been paid, and he wanted to know who had paid it. Anita stated that Pierre had paid the invoice and Lon will send him reimbursement. There are no outstanding invoices. Drew stated that FCOC had requested that our chapter donate \$400 toward the winter conference. A motion was made by Bancroft and seconded by Steve and all approved to send a check to the FCOC.**
3. **Membership – Jon is still on his trip to Paris and there was no membership report.**
4. **Officers Call Report – Joe had another meeting and was unable to attend.**
5. **Surviving Spouse Update – Patti stated that we lost a 94-year-old surviving spouse last month. She will be sending a card from the board, and she has given her name to Mary and to Jon. She stated that the October speaker was well received by all, especially the surviving spouses that were present. Patti said that David Wheel, who had helped her with the surviving spouse, has had a triple bypass and will remain in New England for some time.**

Old Business

6. **Bagels and Bingo and VCVC Update – Yesterday Skip met for Bagels and Bingo. He had 25 Veterans attend and many volunteers. He had a new volunteer, Arnold Leeks.**
7. **VCVC Update – Skip said that there are 4 ladies at Emory Bennet Nursing Home and they need someone to take them to get their hair done. He asked if there were any volunteers to assist. Tina stated that she would call the nursing home and see if she could help. Skip stated that on Veteran's Day at the Veterans Memorial Park there will be a service honoring Sergeants. The speakers will be CSM Felts and SGT Welch. The ceremony will be on November 11th at 10 a.m.**

8. VA Coffee and Donuts – Patti and John did not meet last month but they will be at the clinic this Thursday to serve donuts and coffee.

New Business

9. HRYC reservation schedule – Drew stated that there has been an issue with people sending in their luncheon reservations after the cutoff date. The cutoff date is one week before the meeting. If you send in your reservation after the cutoff date, you will not have a meal.

10. Christmas Gala meal selection – Anita mentioned that she spoke with the new banquet manager and there may be an increase of the cost for the luncheon meal and for the gala. She will be meeting with the manager today to get the new prices and set the menu for the coming year. Anita also stated the selection for the gala had to be changed. The new selections for the gala are filet mignon, chicken breast, or poached salmon. The dessert will be holiday bread pudding or pumpkin pie.

11. Christmas Meeting – Swearing in of 2026 Board of Directors will take place at the Christmas gala. The list of the new slate of officers is below. We are still in need of a second webmaster.

Halifax Area Chapter – Proposed 2026 Board of Directors

President	Anita Williams	williams.aann@gmail.com
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Personal Affairs	Mary McLendon	mclendonmb@cs.com
Veterans Council	Skip Keating	skipkeatin@aol.com
Immediate Past President	Andrew Hoffman	drewhoffman49@gmail.com

12. Christmas Gala – Board Basket of Beverages will be taking donations. The basket will be a part of the silent auction. So far, there have been 13 items given for the auction. Anita will be accepting donations until December 16.

13. Invite LT Juan Lewis, Daytona Division, U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps – Drew stated that we have received an invitation to partner with the naval sea cadet corps. He will invite the leader, LT Lewis, to come to the next meeting to provide more information on the group and discuss how we can assist.

From The Floor

14. Anita stated that the Ormond Observer interviewed Arnold Leeks yesterday where he discussed his time in the military and shared activities of our chapter in the community. There will be more

information on when the interview will be featured. Anita stated that the Wounded Warriors Umpire academy is meeting this weekend. She and several other friends will be serving as volunteers. She and several other members of our chapter will be attending the FCOC conference in January.

15. Bancroft stated that Wreaths Across America will be held December 13, at 9 a.m. at the Hillcrest Cemetery in Ormond Beach. He asked if the West Volusia chapter had been invited to the gala. Drew stated that he has extended an invitation and has spoken with the current president. We are awaiting their response. Bancroft stated his picture is on the Granada Bridge as one of our county's heroes.

16. Skip has received quite a few gifts for Toys for Tots, and he will be accepting donations at the November luncheon.

The meeting was adjourned at 11 a.m. Our next meeting is on December 9, 2025, HRYC.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Dixon-Bartlett, LTC(R), ANC
Secretary

****2023-2024 Outstanding Support to Veterans for Profit Award Winner****



****2023-2024 Outstanding Support to Veterans Nonprofit Award Winner****



Halifax Area
2025 Chapter Planning Board (As of 12/01/2025)

BOD Date	Luncheon Date	Speaker and/or Event	Supporting Elements/P.O.C.'s
January 7, 2025	Thursday, January 23, 2025	Ben Eby, Halifax Health – Guest Speaker Price: \$28 Location: Halifax River Yacht Club	- FCOC Leadership Forum - Initiate the write-up of Level of Chapter Excellence - Complete - Start Ordering Gold Bars – In progress - Submit Marvin Harris Communication Award – Due February 15, 2025
February 4, 2025	Thursday, February 27, 2025	Gary Anderson, Col (RET), USMC Price: \$28 Location: Halifax River Yacht Club	- Submit to USAA for Council Sponsorship application for ROTC Dinner in April to MOAA - Submit Level of Excellence, Surviving Spouse, Legislative liaison, and Web/Newsletter nominations
March 4, 2025	Thursday, March 27, 2025	John "Satan" Higgins, Captain (RET) USN Price: \$28 Location: Halifax River Yacht Club	- Negotiate Entertainment Contract for Holiday Gala - National MOAA CM Modifications
April 1, 2025	Thursday, April 24, 2025	ROTC Scholarship Dinner Price: \$28 Location: Halifax River Yacht Club	Cadet Introductions and Recognition: Obtain the 2 nd half of 2025 Menus from HRYC
May 6, 2025	Thursday, May 22, 2025	Presentation of the Outstanding Support to Veterans Award Price: \$28 Location: Halifax River Yacht Club	-Obtain Sep-Dec menus from HRYC
	*****	CHAPTER on SUMMER Break	*****
September 23, 2025	Thursday, September 25, 2025	Gary Wilson, Wonder Warrior Umpire Academy Price: \$28 Location: Halifax River Yacht Club	-Agree on Nominating Committee (45 days out) - Obtain 2025-2026 Lunch Menu - Obtain Holiday Menu - Save the Date Card - Gala
October 7, 2025	Thursday, October 23, 2025	Surviving Spouse Appreciation Program Speaker Dr. Itzel Harriott - Price \$28 Location: Halifax River Yacht Club	-Begin Toys for Tots Campaign, Include in Officers Call and at BOD Meetings - Announce the Holiday Gala
November 4, 2025	Thursday, November 20, 2025 <i>Date moved due to the Thanksgiving Holiday</i>	Membership Meeting Guest Speaker - David Lydon Price: \$28 Location: Halifax River Yacht Club	-Advertise the "Holiday Gala" - Membership Month Launch Silent Auction for Christmas Gala
December 2, 2025	Thursday, December 18, 2025, 1700 hrs <i>Date moved due to Christmas Holiday</i>	"Christmas Holiday Gala Dinner Dance" Music and Entertainment Price \$75 Location: Halifax River Yacht Club	-ERAU Fall Commissioning to Ensigns & 2nd LTs -MOAA "CM" Modifications for new officers -Annual Group Picture at Gala



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Halifax Area 2025 Action Plan (As of 12/01/2025)

<i>Halifax Area Chapter – 2025 Action Plan</i> <i>As of 12/1//2025</i>		
	<u>Chapter Goals and Objectives</u>	<u>Sponsor/Update/Follow-up</u>
	<i>LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS</i>	
<u>1</u>	Continue the Guest Speaker Program to include the following areas: military, community, business, and health and wellness	January: Ben Eby, Director of Hospice -Halifax Health, February, Gary Anderson, Col USMC (RET), March, John “Satan” Higgins, USN, Captain, (RET), Apr: ERAU Cadets, May: Vet Support Winners, Sep, Gary Wilson- Wounded Warrior Umpire Academy, Oct: Dr. Itzel Harriott, Nov: Chapter Business Meeting David Lydon, Dec: Christmas Gala
<u>2</u>	Publish a local veteran-related article in a local newspaper on MOAA legislative efforts. Increase AIA participation	Board of Directors - Observer Article (October 2025), Report on Memorial Day Service - Ormond Beach
	<i>RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION</i>	Anita Williams, Joe Peabody & Glenn Harmon
<u>3</u>	The goal is for 25% of the membership to attend a luncheon/dinner.	Everyone Jan= 36, Feb=44, Mar=38, APR=42,May=45, Sep=35, Oct=40, Nov=39
<u>4</u>	Net gain of 10 members for 2025	Everyone, 3 new in March, 1 in April, 2 in September
<u>5</u>	Identify and develop potential leaders from the Chapter membership to serve on the Board of Directors (BOD).	Bancroft McKittrick and committee. Need new slate NLT October 2025. The selection process in progress
<u>6</u>	Feature New Members Highlights, in the Officer Call (OC)	Joe Peabody, Jan- Anita Williams, Feb - Gary Anderson (Speaker), LT Itzel Harriott (new member & Oct speaker)
	<i>PERSONAL AFFAIRS</i>	
<u>7</u>	Surviving Spouse Program, Surviving Spouse Team/Spousal Affairs Officer	Patti Higgins, October Membership Meeting dedicated to SSM
<u>8</u>	Maintain joint events with other local MOAA Chapters	Chapter Members, Transfers, Special Events. LDA & FCOC Convention, January 2-25, Veterans Stand Down Day - March, West Volusia Picnic-May, July 4th Volusia Parade, Christmas Gala
	<i>BASE COMMUNITY</i>	
<u>9</u>	Present an annual “Outstanding Support for Veterans Award”: one to a local business or organization, and one to a Not-for-Profit Organization	Bancroft McKittrick/Skip Keating/Ben Taylor – Selection Complete - Presentation May 2025, Halifax Hospital Hospice, Team Red, White & Blue
<u>10</u>	Continue Spring and Fall Scholarships for Army/Navy/Air Force cadets/midshipmen, and one high school scholarship in the Spring.	Kim Ramos, Glenn Harmon, Skip Keating, John Higgins
<u>11</u>	Enhance the ROTC Dinner Event to recognize the cadets and encourage support for the Scholarship Program	Drew Hoffman, Skip Keating, Glenn Harmon, Bancroft McKittrick, John Higgins
<u>12</u>	Bagels and Bingo at Emory Bennett Nursing Home	Ongoing all year - Skip Keating
<u>13</u>	Coffee and Donuts at VA Clinic	Ongoing all year - John and Patti Higgins
<u>14</u>	Provide Gold Bars to all newly commissioned O-1s	Drew Hoffman/Kim Ramos/Skip Keating/John Higgins
<u>15</u>	Host an annual “Christmas Holiday Gala”; Invite Guest Chapters	Drew Hoffman, Board of Directors
<u>16</u>	Continue to offer Cyber Security 101 workshops to community organizations, as requested.	Kim Ramos, Pierre Louis, Mary McLendon, Bancroft McKittrick, Feb - Prince Of Peace RCC
	<i>OTHER</i>	
<u>17</u>	Standardize electronic media for ease of communication within the Chapter	Pierre Louis/Anita Williams
<u>18</u>	The goal is to generate three (3) additional OC paid advertisements	Everyone

**Legislative Affairs/National MOAA Advocacy in Action
CWO2 Pierre Louis, Legislative Affairs Chair**

“The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is the country's leading organization protecting the rights of uniformed service members and their families. MOAA's constituents proudly hail from every branch of the uniformed services. To them, we have made the same promise that they have made to their country: Never Stop Serving. MOAA's greatest mission is to improve the lives of those who serve and their families, which is achieved largely through the tireless advocacy efforts taking place in our Nation's capital. For more than 90 years, MOAA has supported legislation that benefits the uniformed services community and has remained equally vigilant when fighting to stop legislation that threatens our livelihood. The larger our numbers, the greater our voice.” Please click on the following link to [TAKE ACTION](#)

As we close out the year, I want to encourage every member to take a moment and make sure you've taken action on the issues that matter most to our military community. To make this easy, I've prepared a **self-checklist** to help you review each MOAA campaign and confirm you've visited the **Legislative Action Center**.

I am also proud to report that the **Halifax Area Chapter stands in the top tier of all 30 chapters** across the State of Florida — a reflection of your commitment, consistency, and advocacy. Our next goal is ambitious but fully within reach: **to rise into the top 1% statewide**. With your continued participation, I know we can get there.

It's also important to note that one of the **major scoring categories in the new Levels of Excellence Awards** is based on our chapter's **Legislative Action Center engagement** — specifically, **how many of our members log in and TAKE ACTION**. Your individual participation directly strengthens our chapter's standing and directly impacts our ability to be recognized at the highest levels.

Let's finish the year strong, and position the Halifax Area Chapter as one of the leading chapters in the entire state. If you click on the link, it will take you directly to the TAKE ACTION letter! OooRah!

MOAA Active Advocacy Campaigns Checklist

- **Improve and Enhance the Work Opportunity Tax Credit Act**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/148732/>
- **Halt TRICARE's Plan to End GLP-1 Coverage for TRICARE For Life**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/137599/>
- **Honor Veteran Caregivers — Pass the R3 Act**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/113746/>
- **Deliver Toxic-Exposed Veterans the Care They've Earned**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/112791/>
- **Address Hazardous Unaccompanied Housing Conditions**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/111756/>

- **Fix TRICARE's IVF Coverage Gap (FY 2026 NDAA)**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/145462/>
- **Fix the TRICARE Young Adult Coverage Gap (Age 26)**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/36503/>
- **Restore Full Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH)**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/113764/>
- **Resume CFPB Oversight to Protect Servicemembers**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/110757/>
- **Support the Major Richard Star Act**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/43784/>
- **Don't Let Veterans' Life Insurance Fall Behind Inflation**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/124383/>
- **Increase Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (H.R. 2055)**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/110754/>
- **Love Lives On Act — Protect Surviving Spouses' Right to Remarry**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/110777/>
- **Share Your Story: TRICARE Pharmacy Network Cuts**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/108931/>
- **Share Your Story: TRICARE For Life GLP-1 Coverage Changes**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/136214/>
- **Support Leave Parity for USPHS Servicemembers**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/120624/>
- **Improve OB-GYN Access — TOTAL Care Act**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/120910/>
- **Support MST Survivors — Empowerment & Support Act**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/117761/>
- **Expand TRICARE Eligibility for Guard & Reserve**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/131745/>
- **Improve Access to Prenatal Care for Military Families**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/133917/>
- **The Real Cost of Service — Share Your Story**
<https://moaa.quorum.us/campaign/144726/>



ADVOCACY IN ACTION

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SERVICEMEMBERS MAKE A
LOT OF SACRIFICES. THEIR BENEFITS
SHOULDN'T BE ONE OF THEM.



MOAA ADVOCATES FOR ALL RANKS ACROSS ALL SERVICES.

The Military Officers Association of America is the nation's largest military service association. With more than 360,000 members, we're able to support and advocate for all ranks across the eight uniformed services.

On April 17, MOAA members from across the U.S. are visiting Capitol Hill to maintain the viability of the all-volunteer force – today and in the future. We'll ask lawmakers to ensure our nation keeps its promises to servicemembers and their families by supporting combat-injured veterans through the Major Richard Star Act, restoring the Basic Allowance for Housing to 100% of rental and utility costs, and protecting the TRICARE For Life health benefit.

Learn more about these issues and other ways MOAA supports those who serve and have served, along with their families and survivors, at MOAA.org/AIA.



MOAA Advocacy in Action Ad appearing in *The Hill*, April 17th

Understanding Holiday Stress for Veterans



The holiday season, often celebrated as “the most wonderful time of the year,” can also be one of the more stressful times of year. Holiday gift shopping, running errands, decorating, spending time with extended family & attending large social gatherings can be expensive, taxing and overwhelming.

The holidays can be particularly challenging for Veterans as they may highlight difficulties in adjusting to civilian life, remind you of lost loved ones or increase exposure to crowds & social interactions — which can exacerbate PTSD symptoms. Recognizing & managing these feelings is crucial to caring for your mental health during this festive, yet busy season. Symptoms of **depression & anxiety** can be aggravated by disrupted schedules, changes in seasons, and less daylight. To help you stay mindful, here are some key signs to watch for: excessive worrying; feeling sad or hopeless; sleeping too much or not enough; cold clammy hands; feeling dizzy, nauseous, or lightheaded; and difficulty sleeping.

Coping & managing holiday stress. Prioritizing self-care & being mindful of your mental health can help you navigate the holidays more smoothly:

- Manage expectations: Learn to say “no.” Setting boundaries is normal & healthy.
- Plan for breaks: If you need a healthy distraction, try listening to music or spending time in nature.
- Do something for someone else: Serving others was likely one of the reasons you joined the military. Continue to serve by volunteering for good causes in your community.
- Keep up healthy habits & stay active. Look for free activities.
- Social media portrays an unrealistic picture of the holidays; don’t compare yourself to others.
- Reach out for help: If you’re starting to feel overwhelmed, connect with resources & support systems. Even if you’re not enrolled in VA health care or benefits, the [resource locator](#) can help you.
- Try to remain flexible & adapt when situations don’t fit your expectations. Give yourself time to make decisions, take a breather or take some time away from others when needed.

You’re not alone. The VA has a variety of [mental health resources](#), information, treatment options, [self-help mobile apps](#) & more. The VA also has a repository of resources for many of life’s challenges. Find [customized support](#) before things reach a crisis point. **Don’t Wait. Reach Out.**

If you’re a Veteran in crisis or concerned about one, contact the Veterans Crisis Line to receive 24/7 confidential support. You don’t have to be enrolled in VA benefits or health care to connect. To reach responders, Dial 988 then Press 1 OR chat online at VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat or text [838255](https://text.838255.com).

Happy Holidays

MOAA National President: LT Gen. Brian T. Kelly, USAF (RET)



Lt. Gen. Brian T. Kelly, USAF (Ret), is a native of New Jersey. He earned his bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering from the University of Notre Dame and holds two master's degrees, one in national resource strategy from National Defense University and another in military operational arts and sciences from Air University.

Kelly joined the Air Force in 1989, as a graduate of Notre Dame's ROTC program. In his 33-year Air Force career, Kelly served in a number of key command and staff positions, including commander, 92nd Mission Support Squadron, Fairchild AFB, Wash.; deputy director, manpower and personnel, Multi-National Security Transition Command, Iraq; director, manpower, personnel and administration, U.S. Southern Command, Fla.;

commander, 31st Mission Support Group, Aviano Air Base, Italy; commander, 501st Combat Support Wing, RAF Alconbury, U.K.; director, manpower, personnel and services, Air Combat Command, JB Langley-Eustis, Va.; director, military force management policy for deputy chief of staff for manpower, personnel and services at the Pentagon; and commander, Air Force Personnel Center, JB San Antonio-Randolph, Texas.

At the time of his service retirement in 2022, Kelly had completed 3½ years serving as the Air Force's deputy chief of staff for manpower, personnel and services at the Pentagon.

Date: December 18, 2025

**Location: Halifax River Yacht Club
331 S Beach Street, Daytona Beach, FL**

Please indicate choice(s) and number of the following entrees. Reservations are due by December 11, 2025.

Name _____

Salads can be made without meat, please specify "no meat or vegetarian" in the comments for salad choices if desired.

**FOLLOW LINK FOR
ONLINE RESERVATION**

or

**Make checks payable to
HALIFAX AREA CHAPTER OF MOAA
P.O. BOX 2093
DAYTONA BEACH, FL 32115-2093**

**EMAIL:
Irgardner@att.net
Or call 775-721-0967**

Choice 1: Sautéed Chicken Breast with shallots and raspberries, deglazed with cognac and finished with fresh cream. Served with rice pilaf and baby carrots.

Choice 2: Oven-Poached Salmon with shallots and Grand Marnier, finished with butter and garnished with toasted almonds. Served with rice pilaf and buttered asparagus.

Choice 3: Braised Short Ribs with pink peppercorns, cognac demi-glace, and fresh cream. Served with garlic mashed potatoes and sautéed asparagus.

Total Food:\$75

\$ _____

Scholarship Donation

\$ _____

Veterans Outreach Donation

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Membership Fund Donation

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Total

\$ _____

Membership Application

Date: _____



**Halifax Area Chapter of MOAA
Membership Application**



NAME: _____

(First, Middle Initial, Last, Suffix if applicable)

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

(MM/DD/YYYY)

RANK: _____ BRANCH OF SERVICE: _____

STATUS: _____

Active, Reserve, Retired,
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Mail application with a CHECK payable to "**HALIFAX AREA CHAPTER OF MOAA**" to:

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Salute

To our membership; we have created our new **Salute Section** to better serve you with recent **Veterans' interest stories**, **Veterans' Outreach**, and many other events happening in our area. If you are aware of a Veteran event/story you feel should be highlighted to the membership, please submit information to halifaxareamoaa@gmail.com



All submissions will be reviewed by the President/1st VP before submission and must be submitted by the 15th of the month preceding the event.

Article should be no more than 230 words in length and all photos should be in .jpg, .bmp or .jpeg format.

~ LOOKING AHEAD/HELPFUL LINKS ~

January 2026
Chapter Board of Directors Meeting
First Tuesday of each month
Halifax River Yacht Club
Starts at 1000

Coffee & Doughnuts
First Thursday of each month
William V. Chappell, Jr. Veterans'
Outpatient Clinic
Starts at 0830

Bagels & Bingo
First Monday of each month
Emory Bennett VA Nursing Home
Starts at 1000

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[MOAA National President to Attend Halifax Area Chapter Christmas Gala](#)

The Halifax Area Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America is honored to welcome MOAA National President and CEO Lt. Gen. Brian T. Kelly, USAF (Ret.) as our special guest at the Christmas Gala on Thursday, December 18, 2025.

Lt. Gen. Kelly leads MOAA's 350,000 members in advocating for servicemembers, veterans, and their families. His visit reflects the strength of our local military community and offers members a rare opportunity to hear directly from MOAA's top leader about national priorities and advocacy efforts.

The evening will combine holiday fellowship with purpose—supporting local JROTC and ROTC cadets and veteran outreach programs. Lt. Gen. Kelly will share insights on MOAA's work to protect military pay and benefits, the vital role of local chapters, and the importance of developing future military leaders.

The Christmas Gala remains one of our chapter's most cherished traditions—a time to celebrate service, friendship, and the mission to "Never Stop Serving."

All MOAA members, spouses, and guests are invited to join us for this special evening of camaraderie, inspiration, and holiday cheer.

[RESERVATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED UNTIL DECEMBER 11, 2025](#)

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[Why Join Our Chapter?](#) ***BENEFITS of Chapter Membership***

Halifax Area Chapter membership is open to all men and women who are or have ever been commissioned or warrant officers in any component of the seven uniformed services: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Individuals can elect to become life members of the Association or to renew their membership yearly. Surviving Spouses are automatically eligible for membership in the Association. The Board of Directors may grant Honorary Membership to foreign officers who apply for such membership. Membership in National MOAA The basic National MOAA membership is free. We encourage anyone that is not a member, to take the time to register. To sign up for National Basic Membership, all you need is a valid email address and, of course, the desire to join National MOAA.

To join, follow this link: [National MOAA Basic Membership](#)

Chapter Dues -\$20 for one year, \$33 for 2 years, or \$44 for 3 years. Dues for Chapter membership with electronic distribution of "Officers Call" can also be paid online via credit card at [CHAPTER DUES](#)

Halifax Area Chapter Talking Points

- Our mission is to maintain a strong national defense and preserve the earned benefits of the uniformed services and their families.
- Meetings on the 4th Thursday of each month.
- Luncheons are from Sept to May at the Halifax River Yacht Club at 331 S. Beach Street, in Daytona Beach.
- At our luncheon, our social hour starts at 1100/lunch at 1200. For dinner events, normally meets at 1700/dinner at 1800.
- We conduct 2 monthly Community Outreach efforts, one at the local Emory L. Bennett Memorial Nursing Home by providing Bagels and Bingo and one at the Daytona Beach VA Clinic by providing Coffee and Doughnuts.
- We publish a monthly newsletter called the Officers' Call (except from June through August)
- Our website is <https://halifaxchaptermoaa.wordpress.com/>
- We have a designated Legislative Chair that keeps us informed of ongoing and upcoming military legislation.
- We have chapter members serving on the Volusia County Veterans Council. Our representative is Skip Keating
- Frequently we are listed in the News Journal, Hometown News, Orlando Sentinel, and the Florida Courier newspapers.
- Our chapter is an active member of the Florida Council of Chapters
- We support 3 Reserve Officer Training Corp Units (Army/Navy/Air Force at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
- We award 6 scholarships a year to deserving cadets/midshipmen
- Each year we award a National MOAA Medal and a Challenger award at the Spring Color Parade Awards Ceremony
- Our chapter is an affiliate of the Military Officers Association of America
- Our chapter is the first Military Organization to spearhead the efforts of the Tom Staed Veterans Memorial Bridge and Plaza
- Each year we host our annual Christmas Gala to support veterans advocacy and to build camaraderie
- The Chapter's Outstanding Support to Veterans Award is presented annually to the local area company or organization making the most significant contributions to veterans and their families.

Scholarship Information:

The Chapter supports the 3 Reserve Officer Training Corps Units (Army/Navy/Air Force) at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, FL.

The chapter sponsors two \$500 scholarships each year to a deserving, aspiring officer in each of the 3 ROTC Units.

We award 2 in the Fall (1 Air Force and 1 Navy) and 4 in the Spring (1 Air Force, 1 Navy, and 2 Army)

The Chapter has a separate Scholarship program sponsored by a Chapter member which makes an additional scholarship donation each year to a deserving Army ROTC student in memory of LTC Daniel Redner, USA (a former Chapter President).

The Chapter also supports the JROTC Unit at Mainland High School each spring with a \$250 scholarship along with an MOAA Medal and Challenger Plaque.

Funding for the Chapter's annual scholarships is raised through regular donations at luncheon/dinner meetings, with dues contributions (by check and online) as well as through our major fundraising event, the ROTC Recognition Dinner held each April.

The Chapter also awards the National MOAA Medal and a "Challenger Plaque" to deserving midshipmen/cadets at each of the unit's Spring Color Parade and Awards Ceremonies

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Navy Retired Activities Offices

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Gray-area reservists: (866) 827-5672

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BAGELS & BINGO



MOAA SERVED 25 VETERANS AT THE EMORY BENNETT VETERANS NURSING HOME . ALSO IN ATTENDANCE WAS THE JROTC FROM MAINLAND HS.

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Our chapter is seeking a motivated volunteer for the position listed below. Please inquire
By contacting our Chapter President at drewhoffman49@gmail.com.
Thank you in advance for assisting in this effort.



Transition Liaison/Networking Coordinator - The transition liaison's responsibilities are:

- provide transition assistance to servicemembers;
- serve as the primary point of contact in the chapter for MOAA members and their spouses;
- share all job opportunities with the state council's transition liaison and national MOAA; and
- perform other duties as are necessarily incident to the office of the transition liaison, such as:
 - serving as chapter point of contact for the transition liaison;
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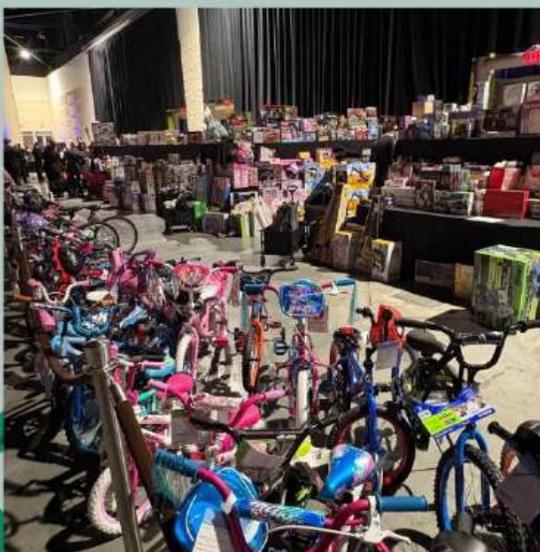


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TOYS FOR TOTS

THE HALIFAX AREA CHAPTER OF MOAA DELIVERED 48 TOYS TO THE MARGARITA BALL. OVER 1,000 IN ATTENDANCE, IT WAS AN INSPIRING SHOW OF GENEROSITY. THE TOYS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH LOCAL AGENCIES ACROSS VOLUSIA COUNTY TO FAMILIES IN NEED.



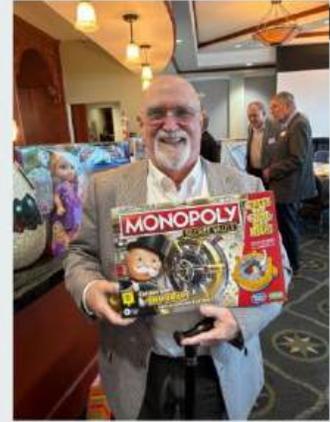
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Margarita Ball

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8:00PM - 12:00AM
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PLEASE RSVP TO YOUR DIRECTOR BY

TOYS FOR TOTS



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**MOAA MEMBER SKIP KEATING SPEAKING AT
THE EMORY BENNET VETERANS HOME!**

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THE ERAU COMMUNITY GATHERED TO HONOR GENERATIONS OF MARINES—PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE—CELEBRATING THEIR ENDURING LEGACY OF HONOR, COURAGE, AND COMMITMENT. COL BANCROFT MCKITTRICK, USMC (RET) WAS IN ATTENDANCE FOR THIS HISTORIC EVENT!

MOAA NOVEMBER LUNCHEON



GUEST SPEAKER

DAVID LYDON, FLAGLER COUNTY VETERAN SERVICES



HALIFAX AREA CHAPTER OF MOAA

**2025 Christmas Holiday Gala
December 18, 2025**

Social Hour: 1700 hrs

Location: Halifax River Yacht Club

RESERVATION DEADLINE: December 11, 2025

AGENDA

Induction of 2026 Board of Directors: 1800 hrs

Dinner and Dancing: 1810 – 2100 hrs

**Dinner Choices: Sautéed Chicken Breast,
Oven-Poached Salmon, or Braised Short Ribs - \$75 pp**

Entertainment by Sha-Boom

Reservations Required

Membership Dues List

Sandra Outerbridge	12/31/2023
Gabriel Sanchez	12/31/2023
Rob Ehrhardt	12/31/2024
James Ellzey	12/31/2024
Donna Fries	12/31/2024
Diane Kucha	12/31/2024
Stephen Lancaster	12/31/2024
Douglas Lynch	12/31/2024
Ellen Powers	12/31/2024
Steven Sandoval	12/31/2024
James Wyatt	12/31/2024
Barnet Alpert	12/31/2024
Don Amiotte	12/31/2025
David Atkin	12/31/2025
Robert Barker	12/31/2025
Glenn Barrick	12/31/2025
Romain Bastian	12/31/2025
Steve Becker	12/31/2025
Robert Brewster	12/31/2025
Paul Bucceri	12/31/2025
Rick Butler	12/31/2025
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William Davidson	12/31/2025
Joseph DiBlasi	12/31/2025
Frank Farmer	12/31/2025

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John Ives	12/31/2025
Billie Krueger	12/31/2025
Pierre Louis	12/31/2025
Terri Lynch	12/31/2025
Lorenzo Malcolm	12/31/2025
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David Wheel	12/31/2025
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Membership renewals are available at \$20 for one year, \$33 for two years, or \$44 for three years. Please make your check payable to “MOAA Halifax Chapter” and mail it to the Chapter Treasurer, Jose Vargas, at 544 Good Life Way, Daytona Beach, FL 32124.

Thanks for your cooperation!!

Board of Directors

Wounded Warrior Umpire Academy Community Outreach – November 8, 2025

On November 8, the Halifax Area Chapter of MOAA proudly supported the Wounded Warrior Umpire Academy during its baseball tournament weekend in New Smyrna Beach. This remarkable program empowers wounded, injured, and ill veterans through training, camaraderie, and renewed confidence gained from learning the art of umpiring.

Halifax Area MOAA members Anita Williams and Don Sebes volunteered to deliver and distribute drinks, keeping the umpires hydrated throughout the day's games. In addition, Anita Williams and Arnold Leeks donated water, sports drinks, and snacks to further support the participants and ensure their comfort on the field.

This effort reflects our chapter's continued dedication to serving those who have served—honoring our fellow veterans not only in recognition, but through action.

Never Stop Serving. 🇺🇸

