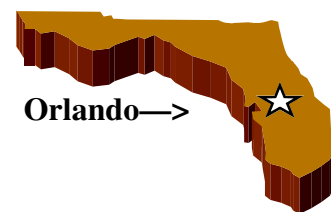


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Central Florida Chapter



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**COL William J. Gates, USAF, Ret.
President**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Check your commitments for April 15th_ _no not tax day. Your Chapter will host the Annual JROTC Scholarship Luncheon at the Elks Club of Orlando on Primrose Ave. at 1200. Ten HS JROTC cadets will receive \$1000.00 in recognition of their achievements. This event is our Chapters main program. Perpetuating leadership is the foundation of any success. Please commit to join us at the luncheon, meet the cadets, their Family members, and encourage these young leaders.

Potential Speakers Step Forward! The members would like to hear your story. I know that's true. Recently, I spoke to the Sunshine Chapter of Army Chief Warrant Officers about the KC-135. It's a win-win situation. The dialogue was fabulous and satisfying. Let me hear from you.

Finally, I invite any of you to attend our board meeting April 8th. Meet the current members. It may stimulate you to want to become involved. You may have an input that can become a reality. JOIN US!

Stay Safe and healthy!

Bill Gates

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At the March luncheon, we had an excellent presentation about the unique USO Welcome Center at the Orlando Airport. If you are interested in joining the USO Team contact annamae@usocentralfloida.org or 407-394-9996. It's a center that welcomes veterans as well as active members of the Armed Forces. Stop and say hello.

APRIL PROGRAM JROTC CADETS OF THE YEAR

We have a great program for you in April. This is the month we recognize the top JROTC Cadets of the year.

We have 32 high schools who have JROTC programs and they submit their top one or two cadets for consideration.

Each of the top 10 JROTC Cadets selected will receive \$1,000. In addition, each cadet will receive a plaque recognizing his or her achievement.

The scholarship award money comes from those of you who have so generously contributed and \$5,000 donated by Lockheed Martin Corporation. The cadets will be in their dress uniform and be accompanied by their parents and the high school JROTC Senior Instructor.

DATES TO NOTE!

Sat. Mar 4 & Sat. Apr 8, 10:00 am: Board of Directors meeting at Ascension Lutheran Church Office

Sun. Mar 12. Daylight Saving Time Begins

Sat. Mar 18. MOAA Luncheon

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Saturday April 15, 2017

11:30-12:00 Social Hour—Lunch at 12:00

Location

**ELKS LODGE 1079
 12 N. PRIMROSE
 ORLANDO, FL 32803**

Menu

#1 Pork

#2 Grouper

Salad with house dressing

Beverage: Coffee, Tea and Water included.

Desert: Surprise

Price: \$20.00 including gratuity

Reservations: Not later than noon, Monday April 10, 2017

Call: Bob LePage at (407) 298-7228 OR e-mail Rnato011@aol.com

If you must cancel your reservation, please do so as early as possible—regrettably, we must bill “no-shows” for the cost of the meal.

HELP YOUR SURVIVORS NOW

If you have a family, one of the most important things you can do during your lifetime is laying out the plans to take care of your family after you die. Upon your death, your survivors can expect to receive certain payments and benefits from the federal government, but it's up to you to help your survivors.

MOAA has several publications, listed below, which will give you an excellent start in this process. You can request these documents by e-mail: www.moaa.org or by calling 1-800-234-6622.

- **Help Your Survivors Now—A Guide to Planning Ahead**
- **Survivor Benefit Plan—Security for Your Survivors**
- **Survivor's Checklist—First Steps for Moving On**

Also, you can request assistance in Orlando from the Retired Activities Office Phone: 407-646-4204 and Fax: 407-646-4212. Office hours are 10:00 am—2:00 pm Monday through Friday. Personnel at this office are all retired military and they can provide you with the various agencies and telephone numbers to include notifying the retired finance center.

Your survivors should know the location of your insurance policies, retirement orders, birth certificate, your current Retiree Account Statement and any other documents of importance before and after your death.

Chapter Board Meeting

March 4, 2017

Call to Order: The meeting was opened at 10:15 by President Gates. The invocation was led by CW4 Sauer; Col Gates led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Quorum: There were 7 attendees at the meeting; CW4 Sauer, Mrs. Green, LTC LePage, LTC Johnson, LTC Gillett, Lt Col Hines, and CWO Hoy.

Secretary's Report: The February minutes taken by LTC Gillett were approved. Mrs. Green had no correspondence to bring to the Board's attention.

Treasurer's Report: An accounting was presented by CW4 Sauer and was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Scholarship Recipient Selection: LTC Gillett has 25 student cadet candidates and expects a few more before the closing deadline. He has chosen a team of judges that will begin the interviews on March 11.

Golf Tournament: LTC Patterson has resigned from this Chair. The Board and members are grateful for all the work and time he has committed to this fundraiser. The Board is seeking a replacement for this position. Please contact CAPT Rosen or COL Gates if you are willing to serve in this capacity of help in any way.

Speakers: LTC Johnson heard a dynamic speaker from National MOAA, and suggested that we acquire this speaker for a luncheon this year.

Membership: LTC Le Page announced that there are 301 members in our chapter. There are still 43 unpaid members.

OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Green was sworn in as Secretary at the Board meeting by CW4 Sauer, since she was unable to attend the installation of officers in January.

COL Gates gave a Report from the MOAA Symposium.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15.

Next Luncheon is March 18, 2017

Next Board Meeting is April 1, 2017

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Green, Secretary

Chaplain's Message

Blessed *is* the nation whose God *is* the LORD; *and* the people *whom* he hath chosen for his own inheritance. (Ps. 33:12).

Over American history, the wives of presidents have sometimes had a heavy influence on their leadership. Edith Wilson nearly ran the country after President Woodrow Wilson suffered a stroke, President Roosevelt took careful counsel from his wife Eleanor, Nancy Reagan had her husband's ear, as did Hillary Clinton (citing these ladies is neither an endorsement or criticism of the policies they and their husbands pursued).



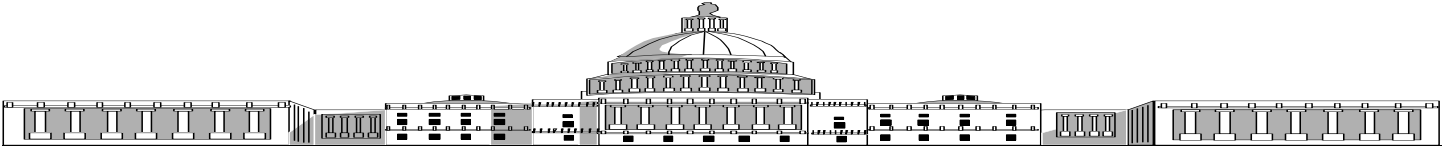
Another woman who had heavy influence—very heavy—was Sarah Polk, wife of eleventh president James Polk. President Polk almost always listened in silence as his advisors offered their suggestions; he indicated neither assent or dissent to what they said, but each evening, he brought to Sarah the proposals he had heard that day and asked her advice. That advice he very frequently followed.

Sarah Polk was a devote Christian. Her husband was rather ambivalent when it came to spiritual things, but, in this area also, he followed Sarah's lead. She insisted and the two of them attended two church services every Sunday—for a total of four-to-six hours total. Anyone who came in to meet with the President on a Sunday had to go along with them—the word got out, don't meet with the President on Sunday unless you want to spend six hours in church!

God blessed America during Mr. Polk's term. We acquired Texas, New Mexico, Nevada, California, Oregon, Washington, and portions of other states as well during his short four years in office. One can argue the fairness of our snatching the lower states away from Mexico—some say we provoked Mexico into war; others say it was the other way round—but it cannot be denied that these acquisitions brought America to the Pacific coast and to the greatness it enjoyed thereafter.

I'd like to think that Sarah Polk's devotion to the Lord had something to do with that.

In His love, Chaplain Dick



LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION BY LTC Michael Gillett, USA, RET.

MOAA Wants Your Pharmacy Feedback

Recently, MOAA joined a gathering of senior leaders at the Defense Health Agency (DHA) to discuss improvements for the TRICARE health plan.

Express Scripts is the TRICARE program's pharmacy benefit manager, and representatives were on hand to present a review of their beneficiary engagement activities. The TRICARE pharmacy benefit remains one of MOAA's key focal areas, and our membership counts on us to interact with both TRICARE and Express Scripts to provide insight and feedback from the beneficiary perspective.

TRICARE's pharmacy program plays a big part in the operations of the military health care system. For instance, on a weekly basis 2.45 million prescriptions are filled. Over 1 million of these are filled in the TRICARE pharmacy network, and Express Scripts fills close to a half a million prescriptions through the Home Delivery program.

Pharmacies located within military hospitals round out this massive volume by dispensing over 800,000 additional prescriptions each week.

Needless to say, this dispensing activity represents an enormous amount of beneficiary engagement in their health care.

Express Scripts also plays a significant role in helping move more beneficiaries into the Home Delivery program. To this end, they recognize that meeting and communicating with the beneficiary where they are most receptive and comfortable is instrumental to achieving a positive experience.

Express Scripts has focused on the experience of care and invested in improvements such as chat capabilities, improving order turn-around times, enhanced auto refills, digital benefits information, virtual consultations with pharmacists and physicians, social media support, and much more.

One particularly helpful tool is the [Find a Pharmacy](#) feature found on the Express Scripts website and through their mobile app. Beneficiaries can locate the closest in-network pharmacies, find pharmacies that are open 24-hours, etc.

“We're pleased that Express Scripts values insights from our MOAA members, and we hope to continue to provide it so we may be a part of the development of meaningful technology and other improvements” said MOAA President and CEO Lt. Gen. Dana Atkins, USAF (Ret).

If you have comments, concerns, or compliments about your experience with Express Scripts Inc. or the TRICARE pharmacy program generally, we want to hear from you. The feedback you provide may help shape the future of these benefits. Send your thoughts to beninfo@moaa.org

SPECIAL OFFER!

An opportunity to win a free meal at a Chapter meeting and here is how it works:

- ⇒ Make copies of the membership application/renewal from on page 7.
- ⇒ Insert your name (please print) on the bottom line of the form— on the line “New Member Referred By”.
- ⇒ Give the forms to friends, neighbors, work associates, etc, who are former officers or retired officers or a widow or widower. of a former officer..
- ⇒ For every new member’s application received with one year’s dues payment and with your name on the form’s bottom line, you will receive a complimentary meal at one of the regular Chapter meetings.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Life membership in the Chapter is available on a “Sliding Scale” dues fee schedule as noted below:

* Age 46—50:	\$375
* Age 51—55	\$326
* Age 56—60	\$299
* Age 61—65:	\$269
* Age 66—70:	\$238
* Age 71—75:	\$204
* Age 75 and above	\$135

If you have already paid your dues for 2015 and desire to convert to a Chapter Life Member, deduct the amount you already paid (\$10 or \$15 as appropriate).

PROCEDURES FOR ID CARDS**Army Reserve Center**

3701 Corrine Dr., Orlando, FL 32803

(407) 643-2322

M-F 0730-1120 & 1230-1500

National Guard Armory

8385 Daetwyler Dr., Orlando, FL 32862

(407) 650-4303

Tuesday & Thursday 0900-1530

Naval Support Activity Orlando

12217 Science Dr, Orlando, FL 32826

(407) 380-4513, 4315

Walk-ins: M-F 0730-1600

Appointments on Line:

<https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil>

Parick AFB, Cocoa Beach

(321) 494-6144

MacDill AFB, Tampa, FL

(813) 828-2278

INSURANCE

MOAA has worked with Marsh Affinity Group Services, a service of Seabury & Smith, Inc. since 1981 to administer Group Insurance Plans. These plans have been negotiated exclusively on behalf of MOAA members and their families. As an active duty or retired MOAA member, you may qualify for insurance to complement your and your family's military entitlements. Choose from TRICARE Supplements, Term Life insurance, Long Term Care insurance and others. For more information, go to www.moaa.org.

TAPS

The Chapter extends deepest sympathy and sincerest condolence to the family and friends of:

COL Edward Brinson, USAF, Ret. Passed away recently.

Mrs. Otha Shriver, Aux. passed away February 6, 2017.

NEW MEMBERS

CAPT Raymond D. Prieve, USN, Ret.

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Phone: 941-321-8919

MOAA ROTC/JROTC MEDAL

We are looking for Officers to present the MOAA Leadership Medal at the following schools:

Colonel High School

Cypress Creek High School

East River High School

Harmony High School

Maynard Evans High School

Paul J. Hagerty High School

Oak Ridge High School

St. Cloud High School

University High School

If you are interested in presenting the MOAA Medal Award at any of the above schools, please **contact Rick Jung at 407-802-4035 OR e-mail at rickjungsr@gmail.com**

RETIRED OFFICERS WIVES CLUB

The Luncheon meeting will be Tuesday April 18, 2017 at the Elks Club, 12 N. Primrose Drive, Orlando. The Social hour will begin at 11:00 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon. Program: NEX Fashion Show. Call Reservations Chairman Shirley Clark at 407-831-2544.

VOLUNTEERS

LTC Bob LePage volunteers two afternoons each week at Hospice of the Comforter in Altamonte Springs.

IF YOU ARE A VOLUNTEER PLEASE GIVE BOB LEPAGE A CALL AT 407-298-7228 SO HE CAN LIST YOU IN

CITRUS CLUB MEMBERSHIP

I am Captain Robert S. Rosen, USN (Ret), a life member of MOAA, a longtime member, past President, and a current Board Member of our Central Florida Chapter of MOAA. I am also a past member of the Board of Governors of the Citrus Club.

The Citrus Club is a very prestigious private business club in Orlando. It offers excellent opportunities for social and business networking.

The Citrus Club is a private club with limited membership. Prospective members must be invited to join and be sponsored by a current member.

There are many levels of membership from Young Executive to Platinum and Signature Gold Unlimited. Each membership level has different benefits and a different monthly fee. The club serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner; has private business rooms with computers, printers, and phones available for members free use; a spa; and many social functions. The club has recently completed a \$4 million dollar renovation.

The club encompasses the entire 18th floor of the building at the corner of Orange and Jackson Street in downtown Orlando. This club was designed for professionals, like yourselves, in mind. I would be happy to sponsor you into the Citrus Club.

Call me at **407-810-1549** or **email me at capt-bob1936@yahoo.com** for additional information; and to set up a tour of the Club.

Bob Rosen"

THE NAVY EXCHANGE SAVES YOU MONEY

Navy Exchange prices are an average of 15.8% below the competition. This savings is determined by "Market Basket" surveys. The Navy Exchange Service Command hired an independent consulting firm to conduct price surveys three times per year. Prices are compared on 350 exchange items, in eight geographic areas throughout the United States with such retailers as Wal-Mart, Target, Circuit City, and Sears. The results showed that customers save an average of 15.8% (excluding sales tax savings). In the State of Florida, the total savings would be 21.8% which includes the 15.8% average plus the 6% sales tax. At Navy Exchange Orlando, the savings can be significantly more when grocery food items are included because the Orlando Food Store prices food items similar to a military commissary.

Another way the Navy Exchange helps the customer save money everyday is through its' Price Matching Policy. We will match the price of any identical item, sold in a local store - same brand, manufacturer, size, and model number. Simply bring in a current, local competitor's ad for the identical item and we will match the price. Price differences greater than \$50 require a supervisors approval. Exceptions include concession-run operations, commissary prices, fine jewelry items, special orders, gasoline, automotive parts and labor/service charges, going-out-of business sales, flea markets, clearances, and percent and dollar off specials, internet sites, etc.

ROTT/JROTC COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS

We would like to thank the following members for their generous support of the above programs.

LCDR Timon H. Atkins
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MOAA CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION or RENEWAL

Central Florida Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA)

Eligible persons: Retired, Former or Active duty Commissioned or Warrant Officers of the seven uniformed services of the United States, and surviving spouses (eligible for Auxiliary Membership) of persons who would have been eligible, if living. Applicants for membership in the Central Florida Chapter are required to be members of National MOAA. Dues are presently \$15 per year (\$10 for Auxiliary) for calendar year **2017** Please complete all applicable portions below and mail check payable to "MOAA, CFC, Inc" to the address indicated in "Amount enclosed" box, below.

This is my membership Application ____, or Renewal ____ (**Note, if this is a Renewal, complete the form only if there are changes – otherwise, just print your name on the form and sign and enclose your check**)

1. NAME (please print, first, MI, last _____)

2. Address _____ City _____ FL, ZIP _____

3. Telephone # _____ Spouse (if applicable) _____

4. E-mail address, if applicable _____@_____

5. Birth date _____

6. National MOAA (TROA) member # (from mailing label of The Military Officer magazine) _____

For Regular Membership

(Check as applicable) Retired Officer ____ Former Officer ____ Active Duty Officer ____ Rank/Grade _____

Service: Army ____ Navy ____ Marine Corps ____ Air Force ____ Coast Guard ____ USPHS ____ NOAA ____

For Auxiliary Membership (Complete items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, above, plus the following)

Deceased Spouse name (First, MI, Last) _____

Spouse service _____ Grade/rank _____

YOUR PARTICIPATION IN VARIOUS CHAPTER ACTIVITIES IS URGENTLY NEEDED AND WILL BE MOST SINCERELY APPRECIATED. PLEASE CHECK ONE (OR MORE) AREAS YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO HELP IN:

Meeting programs ____ Ceremonies (Patriotic events) ____

Chapter Officer ____ Personal Affairs ____

Membership recruitment ____ Newsletter (editor, get ads, etc.) ____

Reservations (take phone calls, check in members at meetings) ____

ROTC/JROTC (coordinate program and/or make presentations at schools' awards functions) ____

OTHER _____

ALL APPLICANTS PLEASE SIGN:

New member referred by _____

Amount enclosed:

Dues

Regular \$15 \$ _____

OR

Auxiliary \$10 \$ _____

ROTC/JROTC \$ _____

(Voluntary)

Community Service \$ _____

(Voluntary)

Total enclosed \$ _____

Please make checks payable to:

MOAA CFC, Inc.* and mail to:

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Publish my name in the roster

Yes ____ No ____

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