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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE CAPT Richard C. West, USN (Ret.)



Greetings all!

I've seen hotter starts to a summer! What amazes me is that the combination of rain and sun we have seen has caused the area corn to grow faster than ever! My neighbor's corn is 7-8 feet tall with full ears and should be ready for harvest! Never seen it ready by end of June!

Remember – no July membership meeting. Our next meeting/luncheon will be late August at the Summit Club. Our guest speaker is still TBD. Based on speaker schedules, the date/time of our meeting is not yet set. I will keep you informed!

On June 13th, several Chapter members/family members participated in the BBQ for the Vets at Tut Fann Veterans Home (see pictures in this Sentinel). I would like to thank members Bill Steele, Dave Dunlap, Monty/Nancy Hand, Sam Scruggs, and James/Mary Bacon who helped serve an outstanding meal to the residents and who socialized with a great group of people who have served our country in the past! Thanks all! As always, looking forward to doing this again next year!

As many of you know, our fund-raising cycle has begun in earnest. Our 2026 Scholarship Fund golf tournament is scheduled for September 11th at The Links at Redstone. The Golf Committee is fully engaged in seeking sponsors and donations for the tournament and the silent Auction.

I know that many of you, due to work conflicts, summer commitments and just plain demographics, can't participate in the committee or the tournament. No problem! We know and understand and appreciate your situation. One way that you can still help is to send donations to HCMOAASF at our P.O. Box. Please indicate that the donation is for the fund and whether you wish to remain anonymous or not as a donor.

As always, many thanks to all of you for being members of the **biggest and BEST MOAA Chapter in Alabama!**

Have a happy and safe 4th of July! Happy 250th birthday to our great country!

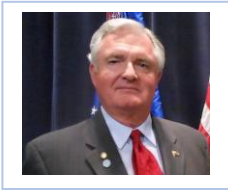
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There are no membership meetings in June & July

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Legislative Corner

COL John Fairlamb, USA-Ret

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Federal Legislation:

COLA preview: The CPI rose 4.1% year over year in May, and .7% in May alone, the highest since April 2023. The May Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers used to compute the COLA, was 3.6% above the COLA baseline. Depending on how the Iran negotiations go, MOAA predicts the COLA could be between 3.8 and 4.2% for 2027. The final COLA is determined by the average of the last 3 months of the Fiscal Year.

War Powers Resolution: The Senate and House approved a resolution directing President Trump to withdraw U.S. armed forces from hostilities with Iran. The Senate voted 50 to 48 to approve the resolution which passed the House 215-208 earlier. It's a concurrent resolution and does not need Trump's signature and doesn't have the force of law, but sends a message to the White House.

News Flash: After heated discussions over lunch with the president, the Senate reversed itself and voted the resolution down.

FISA: The 45-day extension of the nation's warrantless spy powers providing authority to gather information on foreign persons living abroad, expired on 12 June after the House failed to pass another extension. Too many Congressional members are concerned the current text allows Americans to get swept up in the surveillance efforts, infringing on their civil liberties, and there is strong opposition to Bill Pulte, who has no experience in intelligence operations, serving as the Interim Director of National Intelligence. It's not clear how or when the bill might be reenacted.

Aviation Safety: The bipartisan ALERT Act (H.R. 7613)—an aviation safety bill introduced following a deadly midair collision over Washington, D.C.—passed the U.S. House of Representatives by a sweeping 396-10 vote. The bill is currently in the Senate, where it awaits reconciliation with the Senate's previously passed ROTOR Act. 2. Key senators and the families of the 67 victims say the bill needs to be strengthened even though it has backing of key industry groups and the National Transportation Safety Board says the legislation **addresses its recommendation** to require all aircraft flying around busy airports to have **key locator systems** that let pilots know where other aircraft are located.

ICE and The Border Patrol finally have a budget. President Trump signed legislation to fund immigration enforcement agencies after weeks of delays and fierce backlash to an unrelated **\$1.776 billion settlement fund** that threatened to derail the bill. DOJ pledged not to go forward with the settlement fund and funding for the White House ballroom was dropped from the bill. Consequently, **the \$70 billion legislation** funds Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Border Patrol through FY-29 to avoid impacts from future government shutdowns.

On 5 June, President Trump demanded the Senate vote on the *SAVE America Act*, which would require people to show documented proof of citizenship when registering to vote

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Exchange

Plan for the Alabama Tax Free weekend! This year it is July 17-19. [Sales Tax Holidays - Alabama Department of Revenue](#) Books priced \$30 or less, clothing priced \$100 or less, computers, computer software, and school computer supplies priced \$750 or less, and school supplies priced \$50 or less. Alabama tax-free weekends apply to state sales tax. Your Exchange is ALWAYS tax free – so the Exchange often deducts the normal outside tax rate from your Exchange purchase for the eligible items. Plus, everything your college student requires for the new dorm. Also, check out all the items (big screen TV for example) you can put into the now vacant room to make a man or woman cave. Speaking of big screen TV's—now is the time to gear up for all the college games! From desktop to wall filling, your Exchange has the TV for you!

DoW civilians can shop military exchanges in store and on line! QR code outside of the Exchange for more information.

You can save even more by signing up for the Exchange STAR card! You can apply for the STAR card and wait to use it after it arrives. The first day you use it – ALL your purchases are 10% off on your bill!

All honorably discharged Veterans will have access to shop military exchanges online (but not in store). Go to <http://www.shopmyexchange.com/veterans>

Your food court stores will cater your event – and give you 10% off with your STAR card! The Home Depot now partners with the Exchange offering free delivery, no sales tax, price match, financing, and protection plans.

Shopette

Stop in and see what the spirit of the month is! Next to that find the clearance specials and the accessories for all your imbibing requirements. Also check out limited time specials!

New – Gray Whale gin with six California botanicals, Bailey's chocolate, and salted caramel, devil's reserve Jose Cuervo, Mezcal Illegal Joven, Buchanan's Deluxe blended Scotch whiskey, and pineapple.

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Need Addresses

We have lost track of the below members. If you know their whereabouts, please have them contact Bruce Robinson at 256-426-0525 to update their personal information.

None this month

Concerns

This month the following people were reported as being ill or recuperating and need our support and prayers:

None this month

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FAHC Happenings

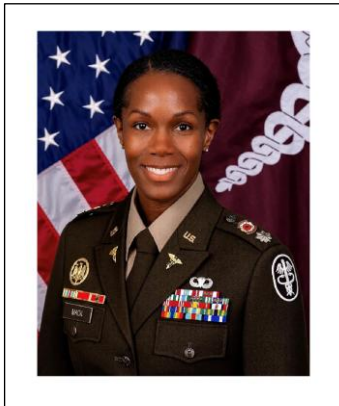
Fox Army Health Center Welcomes New Commander

Fox Army Health Center is proud to announce the arrival of its new commander, Lieutenant Colonel Aimee A. Mack. The official Change of Command ceremony was held on Thursday, June 11, 2026, where Lt. Col. Mack assumed command from the outgoing commander, Lt. Col. Deepak J. Mathew.

A native of Cleveland, Ohio, Lt. Col. Mack is a distinguished military graduate of the University of Tampa. She began her career as a Quartermaster Corps Officer before being selected for the Funded Nurse Education Program, where she was appointed as an Army Nurse Corps Officer.

Lt. Col. Mack brings a wealth of experience to her new role, with assignments that include serving as the Executive Officer for Medical Readiness Command West, Department Chief for Medical-Surgical Nursing at Brooke Army Medical Center (BAMC), and as a Legislative Liaison in Washington, D.C. She also holds a Doctor of Nursing Practice from Chatham University and is a board-certified Nurse Executive.

Her command philosophy is fundamentally people-focused, aiming to deliver safe, compassionate, and high-quality care by empowering every member of the team. We look forward to her leadership in sustaining and generating Warfighter readiness and fostering a climate of teamwork and clinical excellence. Please join us in welcoming Lt. Col. Mack to the Fox Army Health Center team!



1 GET SCREENED

Do this:

- Pap tests start at age 21.
- Many people can screen every 3-5 years (ask your care provider).
- Schedule now if are due.

2 GET VACCINATED

Do this:

- HPV vaccine is recommended starting at ages 9-12.
- Catch-up vaccination is recommended through age 26.
- Ages 27-45: discuss if vaccination may benefit you.

3 FOLLOW UP

Do this:

- If a test result is abnormal, keep your follow-up appointment.
- Follow-up prevents small problems from becoming big ones.
- Ask what your next step is and when it is due.

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Sources: CDC cervical cancer screening; CDC HPV vaccine recommendations.



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2026 Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament

It's that time again. The golf committee will have its next meeting on 15 July, 12 noon, at the Links. Come early for lunch.

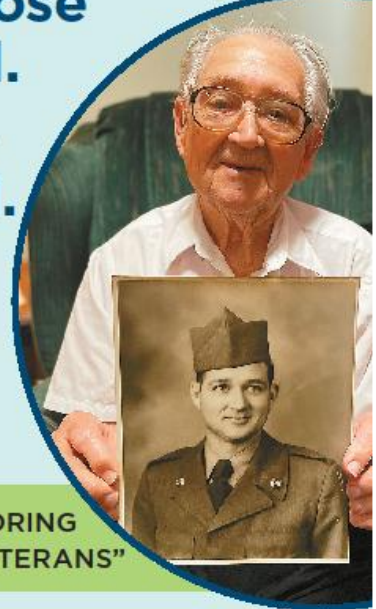
As always, we need volunteers to make the tournament successful.

You don't need to know anything about golf to help.

Some areas where we need volunteers include:

- Contacting local golf courses for donations of free rounds of golf
- Contacting local businesses to be hole sponsors or to donate goods & services
- If you are still working, getting your company to be a sponsor
- Filling one of the numerous staff positions on tournament day

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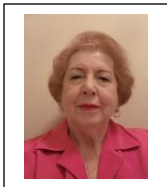
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Redstone Arsenal Widow's Luncheon

Mrs. Bonnie Treadway
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Our next luncheon will be held on Thursday, 16 July, 2026, at Kacey's Home Cooking, 10017 South Memorial Parkway. We gather at 11 AM. Point of contact is Bonnie Treadway, 256-859-1484. Everyone will be called.

Surviving Spouse Corner: Should You Have a LinkedIn Account?

Many of us use Facebook or email to stay connected, but another platform worth considering is LinkedIn. While other social media platforms are more focused on friends and family, LinkedIn is designed for professional connections, volunteering, and advocacy.

Here are some ways using LinkedIn benefit surviving spouses:

- **Stay connected with MOAA and others.** A simple profile lets you follow MOAA updates, connect with other surviving spouses, and stay up to date with military-related organizations. Staying connected matters, especially as a surviving spouse. Our community thrives on shared experiences, reliable information, and mutual support.
- **Share your story and advocacy.** If you're involved in legislation, volunteering, or raising awareness about surviving spouse issues, LinkedIn provides a way to reach policymakers, leaders, and allies who might not see posts elsewhere.
- **Show your ongoing contributions.** Many of us continue to teach, mentor, volunteer, or advocate well beyond our careers. LinkedIn helps highlight those efforts.

You don't need to be tech-savvy to use LinkedIn. Even a basic profile with your name, military connection, and a short sentence about your interests is enough to get started. You don't have to post regularly unless you want to.

Bottom line: If you are still active in volunteering, advocacy, or professional work, a LinkedIn account can be a valuable tool. If you prefer to stay private, that's fine, too, but know that LinkedIn is there if you'd like to amplify your voice and expand your connections.



Chaplain's Corner

Col Dave McKinney, USAF-Ret

Romans 8: 26-31

8:26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. 8:27 And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. 8:28 We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. 8:29 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. 8:30 And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. 8:31 What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?



The middle 2 weeks of June proved to be a stressful time for me, as I officiated for 2 funerals. One was a 76-year-old friend whom I knew for the past 6 years. The other funeral was for a 26-year-old lady who died a tragic death. Both passed away from differing factors. But most importantly we know they both died leaving a legacy for the family and friends.

My first funeral for a gentleman who was in declining health. He was a strong Christian, and as he came to his final days, he was at peace, meeting with family and friends. He left a legacy of a strong Christian belief for his daughter and grandchildren. He showed them there is hope in Jesus.

My second funeral was for a talented young lady mired in mental illness and drugs. She attended church into her teen years, where she seemed to fall into the wrong crowd. Yet she persisted, getting a 4-year college scholarship. In her final days

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Memorials

If you would like to send a memorial contribution to the Huntsville Chapter MOAA, please send the following information along with your check to: Memorials, HCMOAA, P.O. Box 1301, Huntsville, AL 35807

In memory of:

By:

Membership Statistics

Total Members: 253
Regular Members: 216
Surviving Spouses: 37

New this month: 6
Deaths this month: 0
Renewals: 1

Welcome New Members to Huntsville Chapter MOAA

CAPT Kathy Moring, USPHS
CW5 John Peart, USA
LTC Thomas Ryan, USA
MAJ George Morrison, USA
Col William Mauldin, USAF
LCDR Marvin Rogers, USN

Recruiting

You are our best recruiter. If you have a friend, colleague or co-worker who is eligible to join MOAA, or who already belongs to MOAA National – bring him/her to a Chapter meeting. You would be doing both them and the Chapter a favor.

PX/Commissary – continued from page 3

The gas pumps will likely have a few cents more off with your STAR card during the July 4th holiday.

Commissary

The self-check-out registers seem to be down often. Half were down last week but only one was down this week. I think the recently upgraded software had more bugs than they thought. Check out the Commissary Click to Go and the vendor stores next to the Commissary. [Commissary CLICK2GO Online Ordering | Commissaries](#) plus your commissary waives the service fees. At the entrance of your Commissary, you will find an opportunity to give back to your community. Pre-packaged bags for the Fed's Families food drive. A wide variety of items bagged and convenient.

At <http://www.commissaries.com> you can check out the latest commissary sales flyer, recipes/coupons and sign up for the commissary rewards card. You will want to download all the football recipes!

You can also check out all the food recalls on the commissary web site. There are still supply issues with some salads and breakfast foods.

Follow the commissary on Facebook or on Twitter @YourCommissary. Also, while entering the Commissary check out the table of coupons and sales flyers. You will be sure to find something on sale to get great savings.

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and when voting. But the bill is stalled in the Senate because there are other provisions many senators don't like. For one, the bill would take some of the decisions on voting procedures away from the states making them subject to Federal voting rules and procedures. A previous vote failed showing the bill in its present form doesn't have a chance of mustering 60 votes to overcome a filibuster, and wouldn't comply with the Byrd Rule to pass it under budget reconciliation procedures that only require a majority vote. [What's in the SAVE Act](#)

The House and Senate have completed markups of their versions of the 2027 National Defense Authorization Act. The bills now go to a House and Senate Conference Committee to draft a final bill.

Where the Versions Align on MOAA issues of interest:

Military CARE Act: The HASC version has two related provisions. One directs a study on the feasibility of Military CARE Act requirements – specifically, establishing a digital system allowing beneficiaries to report access to care barriers at military treatment facilities (MTFs). The other requires guidance on the process and timeline for beneficiaries and providers to file complaints and report issues related to the TRICARE purchased care system that have not been resolved.

MTF Downsize/Realignment Protections: The House bill directs the Pentagon to [reverse planned service reductions](#) at 41 military hospitals and clinics and halts downsizing pending additional review and reporting requirements to Congress. The Senate version requires a certification to Congress of a comprehensive review of any future actions to downsize MTFs no later than one year before the proposed action.

Review of Express Scripts/TRICARE Pharmacy Program: Both the House and Senate direct the comptroller general to conduct an audit or review of Express Scripts and the TRICARE Pharmacy program.

Privatized Military Housing Tenant Protections: Both chambers include provisions prohibiting landlords from requesting that tenants, former tenants, or prospective tenants sign nondisclosure agreements, and expand channels through which tenants can report housing concerns without fear of retaliation.

Impact Aid: Both versions would authorize \$50 million in supplemental impact aid for schools with significant numbers of military-connected students, along with an additional \$10 million specifically for children with severe disabilities.

Non-Medical Counseling Services: The non-medical counseling program has been critical for military families navigating the unique stresses of service, and both chambers seek to preserve it.

Where the Versions Diverge

Military Pay Raise: The House adopted the administration's tiered approach, proposing a 7% raise for junior enlisted service members at E-5 and below, 6% for mid-grade personnel (E-6 to O-3), and 5% for senior ranks. The Senate version includes a 3.6% across-the-board raise – in line with [Employment Cost Index figures](#) used to inform the raise most years – and bolsters quality-of-life programs including health care, child care and tuition assistance as part of a broader compensation package.

MOLD Act: Military families who have lived with the consequences of substandard housing conditions got welcome news from the Senate bill. The Senate included a version of the MOLD Act, [legislation MOAA has actively championed](#), which would establish accountability standards for addressing mold and other hazardous conditions in military housing.

Child Care Access — In-Home/Au Pairs: The House bill expands the in-home child care financial assistance pilot to include au pairs and establishes a direct payment mechanism for participating families.

Pregnancy as a TRICARE Qualifying Life Event: The House bill includes a five-year pilot program that would treat pregnancy as a qualifying life event for enrollment in TRICARE Select, giving pregnant service members and beneficiaries more flexibility in accessing care.

Important: The Senate's NDAA bill includes language that would better protect retired service members who speak out against the government by updating the Uniform Code of Military Justice “to exempt certain types of speech by a retiree from being subject to punishment”.



HCMOAA Treasurer's Report May 2026

Submitted by Col Dave McKinney, USAF (Ret)

1. The May 2026 Treasurer's Report is presented herein. Details are attached.

2. Monthly Summary:

	Operating Funds	Savings
Starting Balance	\$ 9,614.60	\$1,703.93
Income	\$ 820.00	\$ 0.02
Expenses	\$ 218.35	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$10,216.25	\$1,703.95

3. Notable income: Lunch fees.

4. Notable expenses: Membership supplies, petty cash for lunch change.

5. Chapter Saving account activity is limited to interest.

6. The Chapter holds a Certificate of Deposit (CD) in the amount of \$20,884.74. This CD will reach maturity on July 8, 2026. It will be renewed then at the best rate available.

7. The Chapter's Operating Fund contains \$1,188.30 in reserved funds in support of the RAD Luncheon for the Retirees.

Scholarship Fund Donations

The Chapter has an active scholarship program - we issue several scholarships each year to deserving area students. **Please consider donating.** Contact Rick West, at rickw675@att.net or 256.776.6901 for details.

The Scholarship Fund operates on a calendar year basis. Remember that the fund is fully tax deductible - 501(c)(3). **100% of all donations goes toward scholarships.**

Note: The below amounts reflect only donations directly to the fund. Golf Tournament monies are tracked separately and presented to the membership following the tournament.

Scholarship Fund Donations Received During June 2026

None

Total received for June:	\$0.00
Total received CY26:	\$250.00



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Membership Application or Renewal

Yes - I'd like to add my voice to the Huntsville Chapter!

☐ New	☐ One Year \$10*	If New, how did you hear about us? ☐ MOAA National ☐ Local event ☐ Letter / e-mail from HCMOAA ☐ HCMOAA website ☐ Friend / acquaintance ☐ Other (Please explain _____)
☐ Renewal**	☐ Two Years \$20	
☐ Life Membership***	☐ Three Years \$30	

*New members joining after September 1st will have their membership paid through following calendar year

**If renewing just update any address or phone changes, verify e-mail address, and sign the form

***Interested in a Chapter Life Membership? Contact us for pricing (age-based)

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_____ Preferred Name	_____ Birth Date	_____ Spouse's Name
_____ Grade	_____ Branch of Service	_____ Period(s) of Active Duty (i.e. 1965-1990)

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MOAA National Membership Number

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Recruiting

You are the best recruiting tool the Chapter has. Tell your eligible friends & associates about our Chapter – the best in Alabama. We have the lowest membership rate in the country at \$10. One can also sign up for multiple years.

Direct questions to MAJ Bruce Robinson at 256-426-0525 or brobinso1976@gmail.com.

We also offer a Chapter Life Membership – COL John Fairlamb - 256-539-0161 or fairlambjrf@comcast.net - has the details.

Spread the word!

Fraud Alert: Beware the “Veterans Savings Program” Postcard Scam

There is a new scam targeting Veterans. The latest tactic involves sending fraudulent postcards claiming you (or your spouse) are entitled to “extra VA benefits” or additional payments, including CHAMPVA, TRICARE, and dental coverage, regardless of a VA disability rating. Don’t fall for it.

These scammers claim to be affiliated with VA. They might instill a sense of urgency, pressuring you to contact them as soon as possible, or within five days. Their goal is to get you to call the number provided. Once you do, they will often use flattery and praise regarding your military service to gain trust. The scammer will attempt to obtain personal identifying information like your Social Security Number, bank account details or other sensitive information. Never give this information over the phone or on the internet.

VA is monitoring the situation and urges you to remain vigilant against these fraudulent attempts to steal personal identifying information. You can help stop them:

- Refuse to engage.
- Do not call unverified numbers.
- Hang up immediately if you are contacted by unsolicited numbers.

Common scam tactics

- Unsolicited postcards, emails, texts or social media messages: Scammers will send communication claiming you qualify for extra VA benefits
- Fake authority on calls or emails: Scammers may pretend to be VA officials and claim there’s a problem with your benefits or account.
- Phishing attacks: Scammers may send emails or text messages that appear legitimate but are designed to steal personal information through malicious links or attachments.
- Payment requests: Scammers might demand payment using unconventional and untraceable payment methods, such as gift cards, wire transfers, bitcoin or prepaid debit cards.
- Social media interactions: Scammers may try to build trust through social media messages or friend requests, only to exploit that trust for their own financial gain.

How to protect yourself

- Never share any personal or financial information with unverified contacts.
- Don’t act on urgent requests from people you don’t know. Legitimate VA communications will not pressure you to respond immediately or provide sensitive information.
- If you receive a suspicious postcard, email, text or call, do not call the number provided or click on any links.
- Always verify the sender’s identity; when in doubt, call VA directly at 1-800-827-1000.
- Be cautious on social media. Ignore friend requests or messages from people you don’t know or recognize.

If something seems wrong

If you miss a VA benefits payment, notice a discrepancy, or suspect suspicious activity with your direct deposit, contact VA right away at 1-800-827-1000.

Don’t fall for these scams!

Staying vigilant and recognizing the warning signs is the best way to keep your personal information safe. For more information on how to protect yourself, visit VA News and VBA’s fraud prevention online.

Your information and your benefits are valuable. Let’s work together to outsmart scammers and keep your hard-earned benefits secure.



22 Birthdays in July

Maj Edward L Morfenski, USAF
LTC James D Pepper Jr, USA
LTC Steven R Palmer, USA
COL Raymond G Regner, USMC
COL Dennis Patrick, USA
COL Louis R Durnya, USA
CDR Timothy A Craddock, USN
CAPT Kathy L Moring, USPHS
LT William G Byrd, USN
CW2 Noel G Snivley, USA
LTC Paul H Fall, USA

LTC Eugene A Marchetti, USA
COL George E Lewis, USA
MAJ Jean M Downs, USA
MG John A Leide, USA
CW5 John P Peart, USA
LTC Daniel A Cutshall, USA
Mrs. Carol P Worsham
COL Mary S Hall-Van Bebber, USA
Col Jay S Carlson, USAF
LTC Paul L Hoffman, USA
CW5 Harry L Hobbs, USA

If we missed your birthday, it's because we don't have it on file. Please e-mail your birth date to MAJ Bruce Robinson at brobinsol1976@gmail.com so it can be included in future newsletters. Thank you.

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she was in torment, but working to deal with it. The legacy she left behind is more tangible, beautiful pieces of art and wonderful music pieces she performed.

Both of the people were called home at differing times in their lives, yet God takes all things to work together for those who love God. Both families are grieving, yet God is in their midst, making the differing legacies these two left into cherished memories for their family's days ahead.

If you would like to share prayer requests or contact me. I can be reached at MOAACHaplain@gmail.com or call/text (334) 467-6860.

Blessings, Dave





*Our deepest sympathy and prayers are
extended to the families and friends of:*

TAPS

None this month

Gone but not forgotten for their dedicated support and service to our Country.

We will miss these outstanding Leaders and Patriots.



Huntsville's July 4th Celebration

Huntsville's official America 250th celebration takes place on July 4, 2026, centered at Big Spring Park. The event schedule features a downtown "American Eras" parade, historical reenactments, live local music featuring Jazz McKenzie, and a massive 25-minute fireworks finale with the Huntsville Concert Band.

Event Schedule

- **4:00 PM:** Vendor market, food trucks, historical reenactments, and educational experiences in Big Spring Park.
- **5:00 PM:** American Eras Parade begins on Monroe Street, traveling through downtown Huntsville to share a moving storyline of American history.
- **6:00 PM:** Live music in the park begins, featuring performances by Groove and 10-piece band Jazz McKenzie.
- **9:00 PM:** A spectacular 25-minute fireworks finale accompanied by the Huntsville Concert Band.

Where to Watch

If you can't make it to downtown, the American Eras Parade will be broadcast live on WHNT19 and streamed by partner stations across Alabama and Georgia.

For updates on additional festivities or to check out participating locations, visit the official [Huntsville Salutes America 250](#) website.

My Military Health Scheduled Virtual Visits

My Military Health Scheduled Virtual Visits are video appointments that give you the flexibility to meet with your provider at a time and place that's convenient and comfortable for you. You may use this feature for care you get at a military hospital or clinic.

All you need is a smartphone, tablet, or computer with a camera and speaker with a strong internet connection.

Note: If you don't have access to a smartphone, tablet, or computer, you may schedule a phone appointment.

You can schedule video visits for:

- Primary care appointments
- Specialty care follow-ups
- Treatment plan maintenance
- Prescription care management

There are two ways to schedule a video appointment. You can either:

- Log in to the [MHS GENESIS Patient Portal](#) and send a message to your provider requesting a video appointment.
- Call our appointment line at your [military hospital or clinic](#) to request a video appointment.

Once your video visit is confirmed:

- Depending on your preferred method of communication, you'll either get a confirmation email or a text message with the date and time of your appointment.
- 72 hours before your appointment, you'll get your session link.
- On the day of your video visit, you'll get a link to your virtual visit 30 minutes before the appointment time. You can join up to 15 minutes before your video appointment begins.

Here are some helpful tips when joining a Scheduled Virtual Visits appointment:

- Find a private area where you can talk to your provider without distractions.
- Make sure your device has a strong and stable internet connection.
- To begin, open the session link in the text or email you received.

Chapter Happenings -Tut Fann BBQ



Chapter Volunteers muster at the Tut Fann BBQ: Sam Scruggs, Dave Dunlap, Rick West, Bill Steele, Nancy Hand, Monty Hand, Tim Howell, James Bacon (Mary Bacon was also there).



Uncle Sam gets into the act!



Good chow and good company. Many residents' family members also attended.



The "Cooks" behind the great food – Operation BBQ Relief.

TRICARE offers Home Delivery for Prescription Drugs

TRICARE has an easy way for prescription drugs to come right to your doorstep: [TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery](#).

“TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery is a convenient and simple way to fill prescriptions,” said CDR Teisha A. Robertson, Chief, Pharmacy Benefit Integration Branch, Pharmacy Operations Division, at the Defense Health Agency. “Beneficiaries can take advantage of the convenience and ease of the program, which brings medications right to them.”

What’s my cost?

You can get up to a 90-day supply of [many prescriptions](#) at military pharmacies at no cost. After military pharmacies, TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery is often the most affordable choice. Home delivery offers up to a 90-day supply of a drug for lower copayments than a 30-day supply at a [TRICARE network pharmacy](#).

Active-duty service members have no costs for many prescriptions at military pharmacies, home delivery, and network pharmacies. As of March 2026, this also applies to their family members with [TRICARE Prime Remote](#). Rules for filling prescriptions for [certain maintenance drugs](#) still apply.

For all other beneficiaries, your TRICARE plan, which [group](#) you’re in (Group A or B), and the pharmacy type determine your costs.

If you use a non-network pharmacy, you’ll pay the full price up front and [file for reimbursement](#) on your own. The reimbursement amount is subject to higher cost-sharing as well. You’ll also pay the full cost of any [non-covered](#) drugs.

For more cost information, visit [Pharmacy Costs](#). For more information on the costs and coverage for your prescriptions, check out the [TRICARE Formulary Search Tool](#).

How to sign up or switch to home delivery

TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery is managed by [Express Scripts](#). There are four ways to register:

1. **Online:** [Register online](#). You’ll have access to your account and general information on health and prescription drugs.
2. **Mobile app:** Download the [Express Scripts mobile app](#). If you already have a prescription at another pharmacy, you can transfer it to TRICARE Home Delivery through the app.
3. **Phone:** Call 877-363-1303 (TDD/TTY: 877-540-6261). Have your prescription bottle ready. Express Scripts can also call your provider to request new prescriptions.
4. **Mail:** Download the [home delivery order form](#) and mail it to:

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- Express Scripts, Inc.
- P.O. Box 52150
- Phoenix, AZ 85072-2150

Include your written prescription and [copayment](#). You can find your copayment using the [TRICARE Formulary Search Tool](#).

After you register online or by phone, your provider will need to send your prescriptions to Express Scripts. Ask your provider to write the prescription for the maximum supply allowed—often up to 90 days. The [TRICARE Formulary Search Tool](#) has information on each drug's maximum supply.

Your first shipment will usually arrive within two weeks.

Important: Home delivery isn't available in Germany, Norway, or Saudi Arabia. You can't use home delivery if you have other health insurance, unless:

- Your OHI doesn't cover pharmacy benefits.
- Your medication isn't covered by your OHI.
- You met your OHI's benefit cap.

Getting refills

TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery has automatic refills, but you'll need to approve refills each time. Here's how it works:

1. **You get a refill notification:** Express Scripts will contact you to approve your refill.
2. **You confirm or decline your refill:** You can do this by signing in to [your account](#) or through the [Express Scripts mobile app](#). If you don't do anything, your prescription will no longer be in the automatic refill program. Even if your prescription is no longer in the program, you'll still get reminders until the prescription expires. You still can order refills using your online account or the mobile app. You can rejoin the automatic refill program any time.
3. **Your refill ships:** After you approve your refill, Express Scripts will fill your prescription. You can track your order online or with the Express Scripts mobile app.

Maintenance drugs

All beneficiaries except active-duty service members must refill [certain brand-name maintenance drugs](#) with home delivery or at a military pharmacy. If you fill one of these drugs at a network pharmacy, you'll get a letter from Express Scripts reminding you to switch. If you don't switch after two times, you'll have to pay 100% of the drug's cost the next time. This rule doesn't apply if you live outside of the U.S. or U.S. territories.

For other details about your pharmacy benefit, go to the [TRICARE Pharmacy Program Handbook](#). You can also reach out to [Express Scripts](#) with any questions. 

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Military families who **homeschool their children** would have an easier time moving from state to state under legislation introduced in both the House and Senate. Under the **proposal**, families would not have to start over in order to comply with the homeschooling laws of their new state. As long as a military family is following either the laws of the service member's state of legal residence or the laws of the state where the new duty station is located, they would be considered in compliance with the homeschooling and compulsory education laws of the new state.

The House and Senate passed a bipartisan housing bill called "The 21st Century Road to Housing Act", by veto proof majorities and sent it to the president for signature. The act aims to reduce federal regulations and expand local control. It's the most sweeping effort in recent decades to increase supply and bring down prices by streamlining environmental reviews, amending zoning laws, changing guidelines for "Craft Houses" and speeding up the construction process. The legislation bans corporate investors from buying single-family homes as an investment product. [Here's how it could affect you.](#)

Breaking News: President Trump cancelled a ceremony to sign the housing bill until the Senate passes the *Safeguard American Voter Eligibility (SAVE America) Act*.

Congress' Independence Day recess began Friday, 26 June, and lasts until 10 July.

Key U.S. Supreme Court Decisions as the current term ends:

The Court upheld a broad conception of birthright citizenship in rejecting President Trump's executive order, ruling that "anyone born in the country, with very limited exceptions, is a citizen."

<https://apple.news/ABxccMI3tRSe2EjoYPWjFfw>

The Court ruled the president cannot fire Federal Reserve Board Member Lisa Cook without cause.

<https://tinyurl.com/8ebjfn4m>

The Court strengthened the president's power to fire officials at independent agencies overturning 91 years of judicial precedent that allowed Congress to insulate certain executive branch officials with firing protections.

<https://tinyurl.com/3d3x58ky>

The Court ruled states may count ballots that arrive after election day in Federal elections as long as they are postmarked on or before election day. <https://tinyurl.com/nazrf8en>

Alabama Legislation:

A federal court **ruled** at the end of May that Alabama can revert to the 2021 State Senate map previously struck down and replaced by a district court. At Alabama's request, the **Supreme Court's ruling** allows the state to use the preferred 2023 State House map in this year's elections that a court previously found diluted the power of Black voters. After multiple switch-ups and voter confusion, the candidates running to represent four of Alabama's congressional districts have been established. With the decisions, Alabama has locked in the special August 11 primaries for the 1st, 2nd, 6th and 7th congressional districts.

State Senate districts 25 and 26 were also affected but it turns out no primary is needed because only three candidates qualified with their **respective parties** between the two districts before the deadline for qualifying passed. Democratic incumbent Sen. Kirk Hatcher of Montgomery will run for reelection in District 26 with no challengers, essentially punching his ticket for another four years in the State House. Sen. Barfoot will take on Democrat Phadra Carson Foster in the District 25 general election on November 3rd.

After an unusual bout of **partisan redistricting**, Republicans could net about 10 additional U.S. House seats in the November elections if redrawn voting districts perform as expected. The question is whether that's enough for the GOP to hold on to a majority in the House where Democrats only need to gain a few seats to take control. Political trends and historic patterns favor Democrats. Since World War II, the president's party loses an average of about **26 House seats** in midterm elections. [1, 2] The extent of these losses depends heavily on the sitting president's job approval rating: [1, 2] **Approval rating below 50%:** The president's party loses an average of **35 to 37 seats**. III

Heatstroke vs. Heat Exhaustion: How to Tell the Difference

Key takeaways

- Heatstroke and heat exhaustion are illnesses caused by high temperatures and heat exposure. Without treatment, heat exhaustion can lead to heatstroke, which is a medical emergency.
- Heat exhaustion is when your body struggles to cool itself. It usually develops from excessive sweating and loss of water and salt.
- Heatstroke is a medical emergency that occurs when your body's temperature regulation fails, leading to a rapid and dangerously high body temperature.
- Preventing heat-related illnesses involves staying hydrated, wearing light clothing, seeking shade, and taking breaks in high temperatures.

Heat exhaustion and heatstroke are two different illnesses caused by heat exposure. While they may sound similar and both need medical care, heatstroke is typically more severe.

Heatstroke vs. heat exhaustion

Heat exhaustion is your body's [response to](#) prolonged exposure to high temperatures and heat.

Normally, your body controls its temperature naturally through sweating. However, when exposed to heat for long periods of time, your [sweating](#) process can become disrupted and less effective. You may also lose too much water and salt through excess sweating. If your body cannot cool itself properly or you lose too much fluid or salt, you may develop heat exhaustion.

Without treatment, heat exhaustion can lead to heatstroke. Heatstroke is a serious, emergency condition. It occurs when your body can no longer control its temperature due to failed sweating mechanisms, causing your body temperature to rise rapidly. If you develop heatstroke, your body temperature is typically over 104°F, but can still rise to 106°F or higher in just [10 to 15 minutes](#).

Without prompt treatment, heatstroke can lead to permanent disabilities or become fatal.

Symptoms of heatstroke and heat exhaustion

The symptoms of heat-related illnesses such as heat exhaustion and heatstroke can be serious. Because of this, learning about the symptoms and how to treat them is important.

Symptoms of heat exhaustion include:

- heavy sweating
- pale, cold, or [clammy skin](#)
- fast or weak pulse
- [muscle cramps](#)
- nausea or vomiting
- [headache](#)
- dizziness or [weakness](#)
- [dark urine](#) or peeing less than usual
- tiredness

Heatstroke can cause the same symptoms as heat exhaustion. In addition, it may also cause some of the following symptoms:

- high body temperature, such as 104°F or higher in adults
- hot, dry, damp, or discolored skin

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- hot skin that's not sweating
- fast breathing or [shortness of breath](#)
- [seizure](#)
- fast or strong pulse
- loss of consciousness
- [changes in mental status](#), such as loss of consciousness, decreased responsiveness, or [confusion](#)

When to seek medical care

Heatstroke is a medical emergency. If you are experiencing any symptoms of [heatstroke](#), call 911 or contact emergency services right away.

If you are experiencing heat exhaustion, seek medical care if:

- you have continuous [vomiting](#)
- your symptoms worsen
- your symptoms last more than 30 minutes to 1 hour

How to treat heat exhaustion

Treatment for heat exhaustion typically involves getting out of the heat, resting, and cooling your body temperature.

Ways to do this include:

- sipping small amounts of water or rehydration fluids
- resting, with your legs slightly elevated
- bathing with cool water
- applying a cool compress or ice pack, taking care to avoid ice burns
- removing any excess clothing and loosening anything tight

[Do not take](#) fever-reducing medications like acetaminophen or ibuprofen, as they do not help lower body temperature and can risk complications.

Treatment for heatstroke at a hospital or medical center typically includes:

- **maintaining proper breathing and circulation**, such as with supplemental oxygen
- **rapid cooling**, such as with an ice bath, ice packs, or evaporative cooling with a fan and water spray
- **rehydration**, with IV fluids
- **monitoring**, of your temperature, sodium levels, and symptoms

How to prevent heatstroke and heat exhaustion

Heatstroke and heat exhaustion are serious heat-related illnesses. Taking steps to prevent these conditions when in high temperatures is important.

You can [reduce your risk](#) of heat exhaustion and heatstroke by:

- staying hydrated with cool drinks, especially while working, active, or exercising
- wearing loose, light-colored clothing in light, breathable fabrics like cotton
- limiting alcohol intake
- avoiding intense physical activity, especially in the heat
- taking frequent breaks from the heat, as much as possible
- using air conditioning, fans, ice packs, or cool compresses
- staying in the shade and protecting yourself from direct sunlight in the heat
- scheduling outdoor activities for cooler times of the day, when possible 

New Medicare GLP-1 Program Excludes TRICARE for Life Beneficiaries

A nationwide Medicare program designed to expand access to GLP-1 medications will make the drugs available at a steep discount to eligible beneficiaries – which will not include the vast majority of TRICARE for Life (TFL) users.

The Medicare [GLP-1 Bridge Program](#) is set to launch July 1 and run through the end of 2027. Participants will have a \$50 copay for covered GLP-1 medications, but only those with Medicare Part D (pharmacy) coverage are eligible to participate. Most TFL participants get their drug coverage via the TRICARE Pharmacy program rather than a Part D plan, so they will not be eligible.

TFL beneficiaries have been understandably frustrated about being left out of efforts to improve access to GLP-1s and the health of Medicare-eligible patients. This move comes less than a year after an Aug. 31, 2025, decision to [revoke GLP-1 coverage](#) for TFL beneficiaries except for those who meet pre-authorization criteria for GLP-1s approved to control Type 2 diabetes. TRICARE Prime and Select beneficiaries remain eligible for GLP-1 coverage for weight-related medical conditions.

Protecting Your Coverage

Even before the August decision took effect, MOAA began its efforts to restore this coverage – not only to allow these beneficiaries to continue their effective, doctor-prescribed treatment plans without unexpected costs, but to ensure the TRICARE pharmacy program does not become a two-tracked system, with separate formularies for TRICARE and TFL users.

This coverage decision appears even more out of step when compared with the Medicare Bridge program and another upcoming Medicare initiative -- [the BALANCE Model](#), which stands for Better Approaches to Lifestyle and Nutrition for Comprehensive hEalth, aims to increase access to select GLP-1 medications and healthy lifestyle interventions to help people with Medicare and Medicaid improve their health.

Under BALANCE, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will negotiate directly with GLP-1 manufacturers on behalf of state Medicaid agencies and Medicare Part D plans to lower the cost of these drugs, making them more accessible to people with Medicare and Medicaid. Participation in BALANCE is voluntary for manufacturers, state Medicaid agencies, and Part D plans. As CMS is still working to implement the BALANCE program, it is unclear whether any TFL participants would be eligible based on Part D requirements or other factors.

Stay Involved With MOAA

Protecting the value of the uniformed services health care benefit remains a keystone of MOAA's advocacy mission. Expect more news in the coming weeks on this issue. In the meantime:

- **Share Your Story:** Hundreds of beneficiaries have reached out to MOAA with their GLP-1 coverage challenges. These messages make a difference in our work on Capitol Hill.
- **Add Your Voice:** Ask your lawmakers to reverse the 2025 coverage change and restore the full TRICARE pharmacy benefit to TFL users.

Huntsville Chapter Objectives

- Promote the aims of the national MOAA organization
- Further the legislative and other objectives of MOAA through grassroots activity
- Foster fraternal relationships among retired, active and former officers of the uniformed services
- Maintain liaison and a positive relationship with the Redstone Arsenal Garrison and other military commands in the Northern Alabama area
- Provide a social venue for members to meet periodically and enjoy fellowship with people of similar interests and backgrounds
- Promote and assist worthy community activities
- Provide useful services and information for members and their dependents and survivors
- Provide representation to the Alabama Council of Chapters of MOAA
- Provide representation to the Northern Alabama Veterans and Fraternal Organizations Coalition
- Protect the rights and interests of service retirees and active-duty military members in matters of state legislation through the Alabama Council of Chapters

Benefits of Membership

We are the largest of the 13 chapters in Alabama and have over 250 members. We have been recognized by National MOAA for the last four years with Level of Excellence awards. We provide grassroots support for issues that affect us and are active in both the Redstone Arsenal and Madison County communities. Why should you join our chapter? This is what we do, and what's in it for you:

- Partnership with Redstone Arsenal agencies – Fox Army Health Clinic, Army Community Service, MWR, PX/Commissary, Military Retiree Council
- Membership in the North Alabama Veterans and Fraternal Organizations Coalition (NAVFOC) – plugged in to the larger Veterans associations “big picture”
- Recognizing leadership – JROTC/ROTC awards and “gold bar” ceremonies
- Recognizing potential – Scholarship Awards program with the Redstone Arsenal Military and Civilians Club
- Community service/relations – annual Tut Fann Veterans Home BBQ, Memorial Day wreath laying ceremony, Veterans Day parade and events, Retiree Appreciation Day
- Camaraderie – Monthly meetings & breakfasts, parties, golf tournament
- Information – Monthly newsletter, web site, Personal Affairs, guest speakers
- Legislative action – grassroots activities, support for National MOAA agenda
- Venue for getting involved

Please visit our award-winning chapter website at <http://huntsvillemoaa.org> where you can find out more about chapter activities.

Attention Members

One of the best sources of income for the Chapter comes from advertisements like the ones in this newsletter. You are the best resource for identifying potential advertisers. The next time you go out to dinner, or to shop, or to get a haircut, or to get your car fixed – ask the business manager if they would consider advertising. Let them know that the newsletter reaches our nearly 300 members each month. All they can say is “no”.

If they are interested or desire more information, please let Bruce Robinson know, and he will follow up with them. His contact information is brobinso1976@gmail.com or 256-426-0525.

Important Dates in July

- 1 July – Internal Revenue Service established (1862)
- 1 July – Battle of Gettysburg began (1863)
- 1 July – President Grover Cleveland underwent secret cancer surgery (1893)
- 2 July – US Constitution ratified (1788)
- 2 July – President James Garfield shot & mortally wounded (1881)
- 2 July – Civil Rights Act signed into law (1964)
- 3 July – Raid on Entebbe airport in Uganda (1976)
- 4 July – Independence Day
- 6 July - Louis Pasteur gave the first successful anti-rabies inoculation (1885)
- 7 July – The US annexed Hawaii (1898)
- 8 July – The first public reading of the Declaration of Independence (1776)
- 9 July – Monthly Board Meeting – 1100 – Java Café**
- 10 July - The Allied invasion of Italy began (1943)
- 10 July - The Bahamas gained their independence (1973)
- 14 July - The fall of the Bastille (1789)
- 15 July – Golf Meeting – 1200 - Links**
- 16 July - San Diego was founded (1769)
- 16 July – First atomic bomb detonated in the New Mexico desert (1945)
- 16 July – John F. Kennedy Jr. died in a plane crash near Martha’s Vineyard (1999)
- 17 July – Czar Nicholas II & his family assassinated by Bolsheviks (1918)
- 17 July – TWA flight 800 crashed off the coast of Long Island killing 229 (1996)
- 20 July – Neil Armstrong became first man to walk on the moon (1969)
- 21 July - Guam was ceded to the United States by Spain (1898)
- 22 July - John Dillinger was shot and killed by FBI agents in Chicago (1934)
- 25 July - During the Spanish-American War, the U.S. invaded Puerto Rico (1898)
- 25 July – The Italian luxury liner *Andrea Doria* sank - 1,634 people were rescued (1956)
- 26 July – The USS Indianapolis delivered the atomic bomb to the Japanese theater (1945)
- 27 July - The Korean War ended (1953)
- 28 July - The Bonus March eviction in Washington, DC (1932)
- 30 July - Former Teamsters Union leader James Hoffa disappeared (1975)
- 31 July - The US Patent Office first opened its doors (1790)

