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



Greetings all!

Here we are in June and the three months of Summer. This is basically my “Stay Indoors” part of the year!

Thanks to all of you who attended our May luncheon. Though it took a while to get the Club’s video projector running, our guest speaker kept the audience tuned with information on GITMO. I greatly appreciate MAJ (LTC select) Rich Rogers for taking the time and giving us his perspective on a very controversial military base and what he saw during his tour there as the Director of Operations. We had several guests attend, including one of our local Young Marines!

Our next luncheon is not until the end of August. We are working to firm up the actual date of the luncheon based on the availability of the Guest Speaker. Stay tuned to emails and the July Sentinel for more information. We are working a politician for August, a SPACECOM GO for September and a speaker from MOAA National for October. The dates for all these meetings remain flexible and we will get you the information as soon as we start getting some “etched in wet concrete” confirmations. RSVPs for August will probably open up mid-August.

On May 12th, I presented our annual scholarship awards to 6 high school Seniors heading to various colleges and to one student heading to Graduate School. This is always such a rewarding event, and I very much appreciate the Military and Civilians Club for sponsoring the presentation Ceremony!

Our next golf meeting is on Wednesday, June 3, at the Weeden Grill at The Links golf course. The meeting starts at 1200 but some of us will be there early for lunch. **Please join us** – this is a wonderful cause, but **we really need help** and would like this to be an **ALL-CHAPTER** endeavor! Hope to see you there!

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

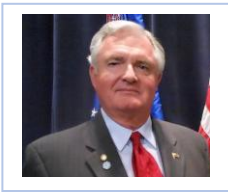
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There are no membership meetings in June & July

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Legislative Corner

COL John Fairlamb, USA-Ret

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Federal Legislation:

COLA preview: It's early to talk about the 2027 COLA but the [CPI rose 3.8%](#) year over year in April, the highest reading since May 2023, while annual core CPI of 2.8% was above forecasts. Gas prices jumped 28.4% over the past year, while airline fares climbed 20.7%. Depending on how long the Iran war lasts, 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.

As fallout from the war with Iran, President Trump proposed suspending the federal tax on gasoline to help Americans shoulder surging fuel prices, but Congress would have to approve the move and a bill has yet to be proposed. The federal tax is 18.4 cents per gallon for gasoline and 24.4 cents for diesel fuel.

FISA: Congress passed a 45-day extension of the nation's warrantless spy powers just before it expired, ensuring the program doesn't go dark while teeing up more debate about how to reform it. FISA allows the government to conduct warrantless surveillance of foreign persons living abroad for intelligence gathering. The law is controversial over concerns it allows Americans to get swept up in the surveillance efforts, infringing on their civil liberties.

Aviation Safety: An [aviation safety bill](#) to address lessons learned from a midair collision of a jet with an Army helicopter near the nation's capital is pending in the House, but key senators and the families of the 67 victims say the bill needs to be strengthened. The House bill, called the *Alert Act*, has the 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 still don't have a budget for 2026. After meeting with the Acting Attorney General, senators canceled plans to vote on a budget reconciliation package providing \$70 billion to fund immigration enforcement operations through 2029, and left on an early recess. The package stalled over disagreements on how to put guardrails on

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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.

Starting Father's Day weekend (sale usually starts on Friday and ends on Sunday) the gun shop will offer 10% off of ALL guns. Guns marked right now with a green circle are 25% off!

You can save even more by signing up for the Exchange STAR card! The first day you use it – ALL your purchases (including clearance items) are 10% off on your bill (with occasionally 15% off)! Start your list of purchases now.

20 June in the food court enjoy the Daddy and Daughter Tea Party at 9:30.

Your Exchange always has a variety of televisions on sale many in the store and many more available on-line at: <http://shopmyexchange.com>

The end of June and into July your Exchange usually has exercise clothing, outdoor furniture and grills on sale! Bike, toys, appliances and gun safes also! The next week usually brings home cleaning supplies, luggage, kitchen supplies, linens, TV's, potable charging batteries, pool toys, fans, and Midea appliances.

Now open inside the restaurant area Spuds & Company – sandwiches, BBQ, and of course a wide variety of potato dishes.

At the barber shop – reserve your appointment on line at www.GMEHAIR.com.

Download the NEW Exchange Extra app for your smart phone – ads, specials, and coupons.

Shoppette

Stop in every month to see the wine and spirit specials! Plus, check out the Spirits of the Month shelves. New and not so new spirits—most on sale! New Russell's Reserve Kentucky Straight Bourbon whiskey 10 years old & single barrel, Ron Zacapa solera (system of aging wine) Grand Reserve & XO (Extra Old Guatemalan classic won Gold at the International Rum Festival, and won the Platinum award in the Super-Premium category in 2002), McQueen and the Violet Fog Hibiscus flavored gin, Hendrick's gin Grand Cabaret from Scotland, Parma pomegranate liqueur, Luzardo liqueur – a type of maraschino

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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.

MAJ John Yelverton, USA
Maj Leroy Huntington, USAF

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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Fox Army Health Center MAJ Bruce T. Robinson, USA-Ret



FAHC Happenings

On-line appointments are now available on MHS GENESIS.

The Fox Army Health Center change of command will be June 11, 2026 at 10 a.m. The incoming commander is Lt. Col. Aimee Mack. Lt. Col. Mack is currently the Executive Officer to the Commanding General, Medical Readiness Command, West.

Managing Diabetes Class

Please join us on the first Tuesday of each month in The Fox Den from 10-11:30 a.m. This class is for those who have been diagnosed (newly diagnosed or living with diabetes for years) or are supporting someone with Diabetes.

- March 3, 2026
- April 7, 2026
- May 5, 2026
- June 2, 2026

- Education
- Helpful Tips
- Self-Management
- Peer to Peer Support

FOX ARMY HEALTH CENTER
Where: The Burrow
When: First Tuesday
Time: 10-11:30 a.m.

4100 Goss Road
Redstone Arsenal, AL 35809

RSVP:
Heather Hough
256-955-8888
EXT: 1294

Hypertension and Beyond

Please join us on the fourth Thursday of each month in The Burrow from 12:30-2:00 p.m. This class will provide participants with actionable steps to improve their health and take charge of their blood pressure.

- February 26, 2026
- March 26, 2026
- April 23, 2026
- May 28, 2026
- June 25, 2026

Fox Army Health Center
4100 Goss Road
Redstone Arsenal, AL 35809

Where: The Burrow
When: 4th Thursday
Time: 12:30-2:00 p.m.

RSVP:
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To register, call the Dietician's office:
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Register by March 30, 2026



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Call to schedule a one-on-one.

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2026 Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament

It's that time again. The golf committee will have its next meeting on 3 June, 12 noon, at the Links. Come early for lunch.

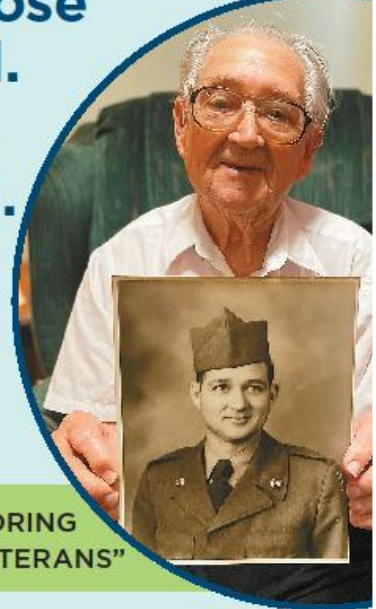
As always, we need volunteers to make the tournament successful.

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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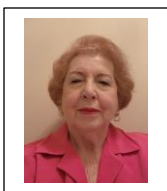
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Redstone Arsenal Widow's Luncheon

Mrs. Bonnie Treadway
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Our next luncheon will be on Thursday, 18 June 2026, at 11:00 AM. It will be held at Metro Diner, 7626 US Highway 72 West, Suite 101, Madison, Alabama. Point of contact is Bonnie Treadway. Everyone will be called.

Surviving Spouse Corner: When Love Costs Too Much

When a servicemember passes away, their surviving spouse is often left with limited benefits. One of the toughest rules is that if the surviving spouse remarries before age 55, they immediately lose all their benefits. This is an added burden for a group that's already struggling.

The private sector views the same situation through a very different lens, and some advocates are pushing for new laws, such as the [Love Lives on Act](#), to update the rules and make them more equitable. They believe that since military families make so many sacrifices, they shouldn't have to make more, and that it's just not right that surviving spouses must choose between getting remarried and losing their benefits or remaining unmarried to keep their benefits.

For many surviving spouses, the decision to remarry carries financial consequences that can affect long-term security. These policies were written decades ago, based on assumptions that no longer reflect the realities of today's military families.

Several legislative proposals aim to fix these unfair issues and provide better support to survivors and caregivers. Various bills have been introduced to address these problems:

[The Caring for Survivors Act of 2025 \(H.R. 2055 | S. 611\)](#) would restore and improve survivor benefits affected by outdated eligibility rules, ensuring spouses are not penalized as they rebuild their lives. It would also strengthen Dependency and Indemnity Compensation for surviving military families by aligning it with other survivor programs. The legislation seeks to increase monthly survivor compensation and reduce the current 10-year disability requirement to five years, expanding eligibility for many surviving spouses.

[The Love Lives On Act of 2025 \(H.R. 1004 | S. 410\)](#) addresses one of the most significant concerns among surviving spouses: the loss of Dependency and Indemnity Compensation and the Survivor Benefit Plan upon remarriage before age 55. This legislation would allow surviving spouses to retain their benefits regardless of remarriage.

[The Veteran Caregiver Reeducation, Reemployment, and Retirement Act \(S. 879\)](#) focuses on caregivers who leave the workforce to support wounded, ill, or injured servicemembers, helping protect their long-term financial and retirement security.

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Chaplain's Corner

Col Dave McKinney, USAF-Ret

Proverbs 13: 22 A good person leaves an inheritance for their children's children,
but a sinner's wealth is stored up for the righteous.

Proverbs 22:6 Start children off on the way they should go,
and even when they are old, they will not turn from it.



My wife and I recently traveled to Vicksburg, MS for 5 days. It's a small city on the Mississippi River with a wealth of Civil War history and many homes that predate the war. We stayed at Steele Cottage, a home that was built in 1830 and still has the cistern located in the basement. I told my wife's family where we were staying, and my wife's cousin's daughter shared the stories of the mischief she got into with her friends who lived here.

I love coming to this city, reveling in its history and the legacy that many of the saints who have passed left us to cherish. Many of the old homes in this city have rich stories, many that are heartbreaking as you hear them. Yet these stories share a legacy that their owners left for future generations. And while I wander around the city, I think of the legacy of those who are gone. I see a beautiful city with a rich heritage, yet I see lots of people struggling. Not everyone leaves a legacy for their children's children.

Scripture has lots of lessons on the importance of leaving a legacy. One point in particular is that we work hard all of our lives, then when it comes time, we leave it to the foolish, the unprepared, that is unless you've taught them well. I am

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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: 248
Regular Members: 211
Surviving Spouses: 37

New this month: 5
Deaths this month: 0
Renewals: 1

Welcome New Members to Huntsville Chapter MOAA

LTC Frank Caravella, USA
CDR Peter Carpentier, USN
COL Ron Funderburk, USA
MAJ William Crawford, USA
LTC Victor Cordier, USA

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

maraschino liqueur, which is made from the juice of marasca cherries, Jägermeister orange, and check out the limited time specials table. Plus, check out the numerous craft beers.

Use your STAR card for 5 cents off at the gas pumps and usually more during holidays and service birthdays.

Commissary

The commissary has stopped charging for plastic and paper bags but you can still bring your own shopping bags.

CLICK2GO is one tap away for savings and convenient online shopping. Schedule free curbside pickup from your desktop or mobile devices while shopping online.

Download the My Military Savings app on your smart phone to keep up with all the new savings, recipes, and other shopping tips. Check out the military lifestyle podcast Off Duty Happy Hour, where all things military lifestyle are discussed and so much more - [Off Duty Happy Hour • A podcast on Spotify for Podcasters](#).

Check out the specials for you commissary BBQ in the meat isle along with all the extras to make your BBQ the best at [Military Family Coupons](#) | [Discounts](#) | [Commissary Coupons](#) | [My Military Savings](#)

Check out the center of the store for bulk item sales! Big box selection without the big price tag. |||



Surviving Spouse – continued from page 7

The Sharri Briley and Eric Edmundson Veteran Benefits Expansion Act of 2026 (H.R. 6047) seeks to expand eligibility and access to benefits, addressing gaps that have left some families without adequate support.

Progress is being made with these bills. MOAA is still working hard with lawmakers to get people on board, build support, and get these proposals to the next level.

When someone serves in the military, it's not just that person who sacrifices; their whole family does, too. Those left behind when a servicemember passes away should not have to choose between moving on with their lives and remarrying or staying "single" to retain their benefits. They deserve the opportunity to maintain the benefits they earned alongside their servicemember, since their loved ones gave so much to their country. We need to keep pushing for change to make a real difference. Working together, we can ensure that families who have served are treated fairly and with respect and receive the help they need. |||

the so-called anti-weaponization fund created by the DOJ and IRS to fund a \$1.1776 billion “slush fund” to pay compensation to people “unfairly” treated after the January 6 attack.

The U.S. House approved “Lulu’s Law” by a vote of 401-6, creating a warning alert system for shark attacks and sending the legislation to President Trump. The legislation’s namesake, Lulu Gribbin from Mountain Brook, AL, was injured in a shark attack off a Florida beach in 2024.

The Supreme Court held oral arguments on the Birthright Citizenship issue and most of the justices seemed skeptical about the administration’s case leaving the President’s Executive Order blocked. The Court is unlikely to end a citizenship guarantee clearly outlined in the Constitution, but won’t rule before sometime in June.

MOAA offered nine proposals in a letter to lawmakers that “address issues integral to readiness, retention and quality of life” for inclusion in the 2027 defense authorization bill.

Duty Status Reform Act: H.R. 6976 would cut the more than two dozen reserve duty statuses to four so they earn the same benefits and service credit as their active duty counterparts when performing the same duties.

MOLD Act: H.R. 7188/S. 3654 would give families in military housing more resources to escape unhealthy living conditions, including required independent inspections to remediate toxic mold and the ability to withhold housing payments until treatment and repairs are complete.

Military CARE Act: H.R. 6796 would establish a digital reporting system to allow patients at military hospitals and clinics to report access to care issues. The system would connect beneficiaries with patient advocates while reporting data to the Defense Health Agency.

Major Richard Star Act: H.R. 2102/S. 1032, cosponsored by more than 400 House and Senate members, would end a pay offset faced by combat-injured retirees, who lose a dollar of military retirement pay for every dollar of VA disability compensation.

TRICARE For Life and GLP-1s: MOAA has been outspoken regarding the need to reverse last year’s decision to end coverage of these drugs for certain TRICARE For Life users, creating a two-tier coverage system setting a dangerous precedent weakening the health benefit.

Health Care Fairness for Military Families Act: H.R. 4768/S. 2448 would allow dependents to remain on TRICARE coverage until age 26, bringing parity with commercial health plans. Eligibility currently ends at 21 (or 23 for full-time students).

Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) Restoration: BAH has not covered full housing costs since 2015, and is now at 95% of expected rent and utility bills. Most of the force, to include junior members in high cost-of-living areas, are forced to cover at least 5% of these bills out of pocket.

Prenatal Care for Military Families Act: H.R. 4381 would create a pilot program to establish pregnancy as a TRICARE qualifying life event (QLE), allowing expectant moms to change plans and secure access to vital prenatal care where it is available. The current plan may not allow beneficiaries to access critical, timely maternity resources.

Child Care Improvements: By expanding the “Child Care In Your Home” pilot program and increasing access to au pairs among military families, the NDAA could help address the more than 8,000 military children now on child care waitlists.



HCMOAA Treasurer's Report April 2026

Submitted by Col Dave McKinney, USAF (Ret)

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

2. Monthly Summary:

	Operating Funds	Savings
Starting Balance	\$11,417.59	\$1,703.92
Income	\$ 1,107.14	\$ 0.01
Expenses	\$ 2,910.13	\$ 0.00
Ending Balance	\$ 9,614.60	\$1,703.93

3. Notable income: Individual dues and Lunch fees.

4. Notable expenses: Member lunches for April, Speaker lunches, Gold Bar Lunches, American Legion Honor Guard Donation, Office Expenses, MOAA Sponsorship transfer to Scholarship Fund, and travel reimbursement for ALCOC trip (West, Fairlamb).

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. In conjunction with the RSA Military & Civilians' Club, we issue 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 May 2026

Mrs. Carol Freyder
Anonymous (1)

Total received for May:	\$250.00
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)

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

Membership in our MOAA Chapter is not the same as MOAA National membership. At a minimum, FREE "Basic" MOAA National membership is required. If you are not already a National member, we will add you as a Basic member. Again, it's FREE and provides several valuable benefits. Please contact us for more information.

MOAA National Membership Number

☐ Active	☐ Retired	☐ NG	☐ Former Officer	☐ Reserve	☐ Surviving Spouse
_____ Mailing Address		_____ City		_____ State	_____ Zip
_____ Phone Number		_____ E-mail Address		_____ Signature	

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!

Commissaries Reverse Decision to Charge for Single-use Bags

Military commissaries stopped charging customers for single-use paper or plastic bags, reversing a policy implemented just [one month ago](#).

In a short [statement](#), the Defense Commissary Agency said only that the change took effect and applied to commissaries worldwide. Commissaries in states or localities that mandate bags fees would still have to comply with those laws.

“The policy, introduced on April 6, which required commissary patrons to pay for single-use plastic and paper bags, has been rescinded,” the statement reads.

In a separate statement, Rep. Jen Kiggans, R-Va., a former Navy helicopter pilot, took credit for the reversal, saying the commissary agency’s decision followed months of advocacy.

Kiggans penned a letter to Anthony Tata, undersecretary of defense for personnel and readiness, and she spoke about the issue directly with Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth after his [testimony](#) before the House Armed Services Committee last week, she said.

“I was deeply frustrated when DeCA announced it would impose a charge for paper and plastic bags — an added cost that complicates a benefit intended to support our service members, retirees and their families,” Kiggans said in a statement. “I appreciate Secretary Hegseth for listening to my concerns and taking swift action to eliminate this fee.”

The policy required commissary customers to pay 5 cents each for plastic bags and 10 cents for paper bags.

Providing the single-use bags costs the commissary agency \$17 million per year, spokesperson Keith Desbois said when the agency announced the policy in March.

The commissary agency receives about \$1.5 billion per year in taxpayer dollars to operate these discounted grocery stores as a benefit for the military community.

The Defense Department’s goal is an overall [savings of 25%](#) compared to commercial stores outside the gate.

VA Hospitals earn Record-high Quality Ratings in 2026 CMS Report

The Department of Veterans Affairs today announced that 78% of VA hospitals that received an Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating earned four or five stars in the latest annual report from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

That’s the highest percentage since CMS first started rating VA facilities in 2023. Additionally, VA accounted for nearly 15% of all 5-star rated hospitals in the 2026 report.

The new report marks the fourth consecutive year that VA facilities have outperformed non-VA facilities, and it’s the second year in a row that no VA hospital received a one-star rating. The percentage of VA hospitals that received an Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating and received four or five stars has grown dramatically during the Trump Administration:

- 2023, 67%

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20 Birthdays in June

CPT Rene E Lemieux, USA
LTC Stephen D Rice, USA
LTC Roderic Spencer, USA
Mrs. Florence L Garman
Capt Kenneth E Shepard, USAF
CAPT Veronica A Brecht, USCG
CWO Richard C Demming, USA
MAJ Sherrill T Chaffin, USA
Mrs. Nora Taylor
LTC Gary R Young, USA

Mrs. Helen J Kolankiewicz
MAJ Michael V Tallman, USA
CDR Rudolph M Ohme, USN
MAJ John F Wilson Jr, USA
COL John A Olshefski, USA
CDR Robert P Rolf, USN
Mrs. Freddia K Scott
Col Bernard S Morgan Jr, USAF
CW4 William W Wright, USA
CAPT Ronald L Stowe, USN

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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afraid that has happened to some of the inhabitants of this town.

Proverbs 22:6 tells us to teach our children early, and they will not turn from it. Many of us are past the age of having young children to mold, but we do have grandchildren, and other children we come in contact with. What kind of example are you setting for them?

We are taught in Proverbs to leave an inheritance for our children's children. How can we do that, besides teaching our own children? In my next few articles, I will share ways we can leave a legacy for those who come after us.

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.



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- 2024, 58%
- 2025, 77%
- 2026, 78%

“The Trump Administration has a proven track record of improving Veterans’ care, and these ratings underscore that success,” said VA Secretary Doug Collins. “We look forward to continuing to deliver the results Veterans have earned at VA facilities across the nation.”

The latest CMS report is just the latest example of how the Trump Administration is making VA work better for Veterans. Among other improvements, VA has:

- Enrolled more than 140,000 new Veterans in VA healthcare in 2026.
- Opened 35 new VA health care facilities since Jan. 20, 2025, expanding health care access for Veterans around the country.
- Reduced the backlog of Veterans waiting for VA benefits by 70% since Jan. 20, 2025, after it increased 24% during the Biden Administration.
- Completed 82,083,918 direct care appointments in FY2025, up 4.1% from FY2024.
- Offered Veterans more than 2.5 million appointments outside of normal operating hours, giving Veterans more timely and convenient options for care.
- Permanently housed 51,936 homeless Veterans across the country in FY2025, the highest total in seven years. 

TRICARE Logins Transitioning to myAuth in 2026: What you Need to Know

These days, everyone juggles multiple logins for the many services we access online. The Military Health System is making life a little easier by switching to [myAuth](#)—a simpler, more streamlined login authentication application across its online platforms.

You're probably familiar with DS Logon, the legacy system for accessing TRICARE-related platforms and many other government sites. With DS Logon sunsetting by the end of fiscal year 2026, each of the platforms that support your TRICARE benefit will switch from DS Logon to myAuth. [milConnect](#) and [ID Card Office Online](#) have already made this switch.

Read on to learn about what this means for you.

What's changing?

Right now, many platforms that manage your TRICARE benefit still have DS Logon. These include the [MHS GENESIS Patient Portal](#) to get health records from care at [military hospitals and clinics](#), and many of the contractors that manage your TRICARE benefit, including:

- East Region: [Humana Military](#)
- West Region: [TriWest Healthcare Alliance](#)
- Overseas Region: [International SOS](#)
- TRICARE For Life (in all regions): [WPS Government Services](#)
- TRICARE Pharmacy Program: [Express Scripts](#)
- TRICARE Dental Program: [United Concordia](#)

When the transition to myAuth occurs across these platforms, you'll have [multiple options for logging in](#). With myAuth, users can log in with:

- A Common Access Card
- A username/password, plus a secure multi-factor authentication method
- Okta Verify, an app for personal or government mobile devices that enables secure access without a CAC

How will this change happen?

When you visit a platform that has made the switch, you'll see a new login page and streamlined account creation process. You can also [create a myAuth account](#) on your own using your CAC or by following the step-by-step prompts on the login page. If you have an existing DS Logon account, you can also use it to get started. Any way you do it, the [myAuth website](#) will guide you through every step.

Important: This change won't happen at the same time for all platforms. Until all these platforms have transitioned to myAuth, you may still need to use DS Logon for certain logins.

What if I need help?

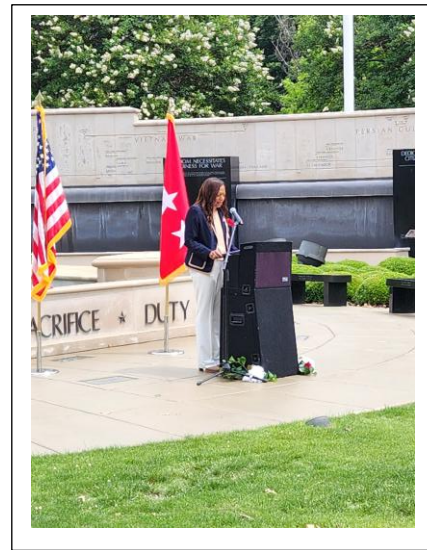
If you're experiencing issues, please visit [myAuth Help](#) for additional resources and guidance on

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Chapter Happenings



BG Les Fuller presents the MOAA JROTC Medal to Cadet Juana Francisco at Fort Payne HS.



Chapter member Audrey Ransom serves as Master of Ceremonies at the 2026 Memorial Day Ceremony.



Chapter President Rick West and members Sam Scruggs and Dave Dunlap at the 2026 Memorial Day Ceremony.



Member Sam Scruggs presents the MOAA JROTC Medal to Cadet Owen Etheredge at Hazel Green HS.



Chapter President Rick West and Vice President Ed Banville present the Chapter Wreath at the 2026 Memorial Day Ceremony.

creating or updating your account, as well as answers to frequently asked questions. If you still need additional assistance, contact the Defense Manpower Data Center at 800-368-3665. DMDC manages myAuth and can answer questions about the transition or address any related concerns.

Although you'll create a new login for myAuth, remember that neither TRICARE nor its contractors will contact you asking for private information like your date of birth, Social Security number, or your username and password. Read messages carefully and check the source email or web address for legitimacy. If something feels off, trust your instincts. If you think you gave personal or account information to a fraudulent entity, change your password right away and [file a report](#).

In the end, the switch to myAuth means:

- **Enhanced security:** More options to protect against unauthorized access
- **A modernized authentication platform:** More ways to log in
- **A more user-friendly experience:** A simpler interface

The switch to myAuth means a simpler, more secure TRICARE experience online. 

Can you Spot a Scam?

If scams feel harder to recognize lately, that's because they are. Americans lost a record-breaking nearly \$21 billion to fraud, according to the latest data from the FBI. Impersonation scams and investment scams continue to top the list.

Our number-one tip, based on what we see every day? If you weren't expecting the call or message, pause and question it—no matter what it says or who it claims to be from. Share this reminder with your family and friends to help them stay alert, too.

Safety tips for any scam:

- **Slow down.** Scammers rely on urgency, so taking a moment to pause and verify can make all the difference.
- **Hang up.** If someone insists you stay on the phone while telling you how to send money, remember you're in control. Simply hang up or stop responding.
- **Don't pay.** Legitimate organizations won't pressure you for payment in gift cards, cryptocurrency, or wire transfers. In fact, they won't pressure you for payment by phone at all.

Financial Fraud: What to Watch for and How to Help Prevent It

Financial Fraud Prevention

Financial fraud isn't just about missing numbers on a screen. It's an empty dinner table, an unpaid bill, and a vacation that never happens. When someone steals your money, they're not just taking currency — they're taking stability, plans, and peace of mind. Interpol's Global Financial Fraud and Threat Assessment estimates that financial scam losses in 2025 reached **\$442 billion**.

While everyone is at risk, military families, especially, are frequently targeted by scammers who exploit deployments, relocations, and the trust service members place in official-looking communications. And because service members are often focused on their mission, they don't have the bandwidth to keep a constant guard against financial threats. But here's the good news — you *can* take steps to help protect yourself. By understanding common scams and how to recognize them, you can help reduce the risk of fraud and better protect your money.

Why Financial Scams Work

- **Sophistication:** Financial scammers are generally tech-savvy and opportunistic. In ever-evolving ways, they know how to mimic real authorities, weaponize AI, and embed harmful software in seemingly innocent messages.
- **Psychology:** Many people have an overconfidence bias, where they believe that being scammed is something that happens to “other people” who are naïve or reckless. However, even an experienced, shrewd individual can fall prey to a well-designed scheme.
- **Decency:** These types of criminals often prey on people's humanity and goodwill. They know that tapping into emotions — by posing as someone vulnerable or urgently needing help — can disarm even the most cautious person.

So, what can you do for protection? Perhaps the best tool to combat financial fraud is **awareness**. If you realized you were being actively scammed, would you give a stranger a single dollar, or even a moment of your time? Probably not.

Awareness works like a muscle — it needs regular exercise. That's why every text, phone call, email and interaction should be considered with a healthy degree of skepticism.

Common Financial Scams

Fraudsters generally don't want to work hard. If they can profit from a low-effort swindle, they will. Therefore, building knowledge of [routine financial scams](#) is the logical first step to protecting your hard-earned money. Here are four of the most common:

Phishing Emails

Phishing emails are fake messages designed to trick people into giving away personal information by appearing to be from a trusted source. They work by creating a sense of urgency or fear, so the target clicks a link or opens an attachment without thinking.

Text Message Scams

Also known as smishing, text message scams are phony texts that try to trick you into clicking a link or sharing personal information by appearing to be from a financial institution, delivery service, or other trusted source. Like phishing emails, they rely on urgency or fear to make you respond before you realize the message is fraudulent.

Impostor Scams

While phishing emails and text-message scams are usually mass-sent to thousands of people, impostor scams are

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much more personalized. It's usually a live interaction, like a phone call, where they pretend to be a government agent, a bank employee, or even a family member — to get money or personal information.

Investment Scams

Investment scams start with an email, text or phone call, and they promise big financial returns with little or no risk, but the opportunities they offer are fake. They work by creating excitement or the sense of exclusivity, so you hand over money before realizing the investment doesn't actually exist.

Financial Scams and the Military

Among the wider military community — including active-duty, National Guard members, retirees, veterans and their families — the Military Officers Association of America reported total fraud [losses in 2024 at \\$580 million](#), a staggering figure that reflects how aggressively scammers target those connected to military service. Many of these schemes take the form of **impostor scams**, which are especially effective against individuals accustomed to routine, structured systems and chain-of-command interactions.

For veterans and retirees, the consequences reach beyond the dollars lost. Fraud can disrupt medical or housing plans, create instability during a stage of life that should feel secure, and erode the sense of trust and safety earned through years of service.

Practical Steps You Can Take to Protect Yourself

Now that you're equipped with some fundamental knowledge about financial scams, let's identify some actionable steps you can take to protect your money.

1. **Turn on multi-factor authentication (MFA).** This adds a second layer of security so stolen passwords alone can't access your accounts. Use an authenticator app or hardware key for stronger protection.
2. **Keep your financial and email accounts locked down with strong, unique passwords.** Using a password manager prevents reuse and makes it far harder for attackers to break into your accounts in the first place.
3. **Limit what personal information you share online.** The less data scammers can gather about you, the harder it is for them to tailor convincing attacks or impersonate trusted contacts.
4. **Set up alerts on your bank and credit accounts.** Real-time notifications for logins, transfers, or new credit activity help you catch suspicious behavior early and shut it down before damage occurs.

Acting on these four simple steps can help strengthen your financial security and reduce vulnerability to fraud. However, mistakes happen. If you think you've been scammed, don't panic. Call your bank or Financial Advisor and explain what happened. In some cases, timely action may improve the chances of recovering funds.

Think you've been scammed? Take these steps immediately.

1. Stop all contact with the scammer immediately.
2. Save evidence like screenshots, emails and phone numbers.
3. Change passwords and secure all affected accounts.
4. Notify your bank or card issuer right away.
5. Report the scam to the platform involved, notify local police, and file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://reportfraud.ftc.gov). 

Alabama Legislation:

The Supreme Court decision at the end of April in a Louisiana case weakened a landmark Civil Rights-era law that increased minority representation in Congress by striking down a majority Black congressional district in Louisiana opening the door for more redistricting across the country. The effect of the ruling may be felt more in 2028, because most filing deadlines for this year's congressional races have passed.

For the 19 May primary, turnout was 23%, normal recently in AL for mid-terms. Two Republican senators, four Republican representatives and two Democratic representatives lost their legislative seats. <https://tinyurl.com/3p3kcs6m>

Gov. Ivey signed two bills from the special session to vacate the May 19 primaries for some congressional and state Senate districts and allow special primaries for those districts. **Senate Bill 1** and **House Bill 1** set up a contingency plan for congressional elections to return to the 2023 map that would impact Alabama's 1st, 2nd, 6th and 7th congressional districts allowing the results of the May 19 primary for these districts to be voided and a new primary held. Gov. Ivey set 11 August for a special primary election. See who is running [HERE](#).

Breaking News! On 26 May, a three-judge panel blocked Alabama Republicans' congressional map that would've given the party a potential pickup opportunity in the midterms. The judges ruled the Supreme Court's recent decision narrowing the Voting Rights Act does not impact their finding that the Alabama preferred map intentionally discriminates against Black voters in violation of the Constitution. This means Alabama must use a court-drawn map that added a second-majority Black district in November unless state leaders convince the Supreme Court to intervene. The Supreme Court already ruled the map the state wants to use unconstitutional in 2023, so the Court would have to reverse itself to grant Alabama's request.

Alabama voters approved two amendments to the state's constitution during the 19 May primary. Senate Bill 118 adds attempted murder, conspiracy to commit murder and soliciting murder, as well as shooting into an occupied dwelling or vehicle, as criminal offenses for which judges may deny bail. The amendment passed with 81.6% of the vote. House Bill 354 prohibits state entities from reducing district attorneys' pay during their term which passed with 57.8% of the vote.

You probably don't know that Alabama's voter list is for sale on the secretary of state's website and is now cheaper for those buying the statewide list. Gov. Ivey signed HB 67 putting a \$1,000 cap on the cost, a fraction of the previous cost which could run about \$38,000 under the old law. These records include valuable information about voters, including the last 10 elections they voted in. The new law prohibits the release of voters' phone numbers and release of social security numbers and email addresses were already prohibited. 

Got TRICARE Pharmacy Questions? Learn how to get Answers

Do you have a question about the [TRICARE Pharmacy Program](#)? For example, are you wondering how to find a network pharmacy? Or do you want to know if you have coverage for a prescription? This article explains whom to contact to get answers to your pharmacy questions.

Your point of contact depends on where you live or where you're traveling. The TRICARE Pharmacy Program administrator, [Express Scripts](#), administers most pharmacy needs for TRICARE beneficiaries in the U.S.

When to contact Express Scripts

Do you live in the U.S. or U.S. territory including Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands? If so, [Express Scripts](#) can help with most [pharmacy needs](#). Call Express Scripts at: 877-363-1303 (U.S. and U.S. territories)

You can call them with questions about:

- **General pharmacy information.** Ask about your drug coverage, managing prescriptions, and costs. Check the [TRICARE Formulary](#) to learn more about your medication.
- **[TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery](#).** Sign up for or manage your home delivery, including specialty medications through [Accredo](#).
- **Retail network pharmacies.** Get help finding a TRICARE [retail network pharmacy](#).
- **Specialty drugs.** Learn about the availability and coverage of [specialty drugs](#).
- **Coverage limitations.** Find out if your drug needs [prior authorization](#), has a quantity limit, or any other coverage limitation before you get it filled.

Claims

You may need to file your own [claim](#) if you fill a prescription at a [non-network pharmacy](#) in the U.S. or U.S. territories, as described in the [TRICARE Pharmacy Program Handbook](#).

At non-network pharmacies, you have to pay full price for your prescription drugs. Once you pay you must [file a claim](#) for reimbursement. Reimbursements are subject to deductible or non-network cost-shares and copayments. All deductibles must be met before reimbursement.

TRICARE For Life beneficiaries

In the U.S. or a U.S. territory, call Express Scripts for pharmacy help. Only contact WPS Government Services with questions about your **health** benefit. WPS doesn't administer the pharmacy benefit.

Contact information

To reach the appropriate contractor with your specific pharmacy questions, call:

- [Express Scripts](#): 877-363-1303 (U.S. and U.S. territories)
- [Accredo](#): 877-882-3324 (specialty medications)

Getting Mental Healthcare with TRICARE for Life

Taking care of your [mental health](#) is just as important as taking care of your body—and if you have [TRICARE For Life](#), you have coverage that helps you get the care you need, when you need it.

TFL works together with Medicare to minimize your out-of-pocket expenses for mental healthcare. Knowing how the two programs work can help you find providers—whether you’re seeing a provider in person or using virtual health from home.

“Medicare is the primary payer, and TRICARE pays secondary, or it pays last if you have other health insurance. TRICARE pays for TRICARE-covered services, often eliminating your out-of-pocket expenses, as described in the [TRICARE For Life Handbook](#). Therefore, because Medicare is the primary payer, it’s important to find Medicare providers who can provide the care you need. You may find providers in your area by using [Medicare’s provider search tool](#),” said Anne Breslin, TRICARE For Life Program Manager, TRICARE Health Plan, at the Defense Health Agency. “If your provider has ‘opted out’ of Medicare, Medicare makes no payment and TRICARE will only pay up to 20% of the TRICARE-allowable charge, and you’ll be responsible for the rest. Understanding how to access care—including virtual health options—can make it easier to get help when you need it.”

How to access mental healthcare

You can:

- See any Medicare-authorized provider, including psychiatrists, psychologists, and licensed counselors
- Get care in a doctor’s office, hospital, or clinic
- Access services including therapy, counseling, and inpatient care

In most cases, you don’t need a referral to start care. Medicare is the first payer, so be sure to see a provider who accepts Medicare. [Learn more about Medicare providers](#).

Virtual mental healthcare options

You may also be able to get mental healthcare from home using [virtual health](#).

Medicare covers virtual mental health visits with approved providers. Specifically:

- You may get virtual health services from all eligible Medicare providers.
- Medicare patients can receive virtual health services for mental healthcare in their home.

After Medicare pays, TRICARE pays the remaining patient costs, as determined by Medicare for TRICARE-covered services. [Explore TRICARE mental health services](#). Learn more about [Medicare telehealth services](#).

When you may need pre-authorization

TRICARE becomes the primary payer if Medicare doesn’t cover a service or you’ve used up your Medicare benefits. In these cases, you may need a [pre-authorization](#) from TRICARE before getting certain types of care. These may include nonemergency hospital stays or residential treatment.

The bottom line

TFL helps you access mental healthcare—whether in person or through virtual visits. Medicare pays first, and TRICARE helps cover the rest, so you can focus on your health and well-being. To learn more about how Medicare and TFL work together, check out [TRICARE For Life](#).

Chapter Happenings



2026 Chapter Scholarship Recipients (with
CAPT West and MG Grisham)



MAJ (P) Rich Rodgers, former J-3 at
Guantanamo Bay, addresses the membership.



Chapter members listen to stories of blue water,
sandy beaches & iguanas.



Chapter President Rick West presents a Certificate
of Appreciation to MAJ (P) Rodgers.

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 June

3 June – Golf Meeting – 1200 - Links

- 3 June - The Duke of Windsor married Wallis Warfield Simpson (1937)
- 4 June – Rome liberated by US 5th Army (1944)
- 4 June - A train wreck in Jessore, Bangladesh, killed 76 and injured over 500 (1972)
- 4 June – Chinese troops fire on unarmed protesters in Tiananmen Square in Beijing (1989)
- 5 June - Robert F Kennedy shot & mortally wounded (1968)
- 6 June - D-Day (1944)
- 6 June - California voters approved Proposition 13, severely limiting property tax rates (1978)
- 8 June – Apache leader Cochise died (1874)
- 9 June - The British signed a 99-year lease for Hong Kong (1898)

11 June – Monthly Board Meeting – 1100 – Java Café

- 11 June - Mount Pinatubo in the Philippines erupted (1991)
- 11 June - The Soviet military occupation of East Germany ended (1994)
- 12 June - The Philippines declared their independence from Spain (1898)
- 12 June - Civil rights leader Medgar Evers was assassinated (1963)
- 13 June - *The New York Times* began publishing the Pentagon Papers (1971)

13 June – Tut Fann BBQ - 1100

- 14 June – Continental Army established (1775)
- 14 June – Flag Day
- 14 June - Univac 1, the world's first commercial electronic computer was unveiled (1951)
- 17 June – Watergate burglary (1972)
- 18 June – Battle of Waterloo (1815)
- 19 June - Juneteenth
- 20 June – First day of summer
- 21 June – Father's Day
- 22 June – Hitler invaded Russia (1941)
- 24 June – Berlin Blockade established (1948)
- 25 June – Custer's last stand (1876)
- 25 June – Korean War began (1950)
- 26 June - The United Nations Charter was signed (1945)
- 28 June – World War I ended (1919)
- 28 June - Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his wife were assassinated at Sarajevo (1914)

