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President's Message

Lt Col Larry N. Fernald,
USAF (Ret)



HOT PERSON WANTED:
Must love GIs
No Experience Necessary
Immediate Satisfaction
Call Larry @ 522-6237

No, that is not a singles ad. But, it is a chance for the right volunteer to make a difference in the lives of many soldiers and airmen in Afghanistan.

As some of you may know, our Help Our Troops (HOT) lady, Carolyn Shields is unable to continue in the lead role as the Chapter HOT coordinator. Therefore, we are seeking a volunteer to take over that valuable program and continue in Carolyn's footsteps--and even forge some of your own.

As the HOT lady (or gentleman, since we do not discriminate), the new coordinator would be responsible for procuring (with Chapter funds) those items needed by the GIs, adding them to the already donated items that we have, packing them in postal approved boxes, and taking them to the Post Office to be mailed.

So as to not "re-invent the wheel," Carolyn has prepared an outline of what is needed in the position of HOT Chair.

And, Anita Harrow has a group of ladies available to help with cards and assorted items. As large as this program has gotten, a committee would most likely work best.

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March Speaker: Ms Derenda McCook

Derenda McCook is the Chief of Voluntary Service at the Bay Pines VA Healthcare System with responsibilities for the volunteer programs at the Bay Pines VA Medical Center, the Ft. Myers VA Outpatient Clinic, the St. Petersburg VA Regional Office, the Bay Pines VA National Cemetery, and 7 community-based outpatient clinics.

Ms. McCook obtained her Bachelor of Arts in English and attended graduate school in Interpersonal and Organizational Communications at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. She is a graduate of the Leadership Development Institute of Veterans Integrated Service Network 16 and a certified Crucial Conversations Trainer. Ms. McCook recently received her Certificate in Volunteer Program Management from the Florida Association of Volunteer Centers.



Panama Canal



Chapter Panama Canal Cruise, October 19 - November 3, 2008:- Please contact either Don Freese or Larry Fernald for information on the cruise. Or, better yet, contact MOAA Travel, Kay Judge, at 800-211-5107, Ext 450. Book early for the best cabins and rates.



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Total Membership - 318
 Regular Members - 232
 Auxillary Members - 86
 Inactive Members - (4)

Military Services:

Army - 83	USMC -13
USAF - 77	USCG - 8
Navy - 50	NOAA - 1

2/18/2008

The Buzz

Chapter Happenings and Items of Interest

Lt Col Larry Fernald, USAF (Ret)

522-6237 or Larry246MOAA@sprynet.com

From Fred Edwards: "After surgery, radiation and chemotherapy during the past three months, a new comprehensive battery of tests taken Feb. 18 has revealed what Pauline and I consider to be positive results from my treatments for renal cancer.

1. My fractured femur, stabilized with a rod, shows healthy bone growth.
2. Existing cancers have not expanded.
3. No new cancers have been detected.
4. Chemo will continue and new tests will be scheduled in about three months.

On Monday, Pauline will commence a 5-year drug program designed to prevent recurrence of breast cancer. In addition, shingles she developed from stress are finally becoming shinglets.

Pauline and I send our thanks for all your concerns and prayers. We know you are continuing to think of us, so there is no need to answer this message."

George Brown reports that he is responding well to the knee (re-) replacement and that he will be at the March EC meeting as well as the March luncheon. It'll be great to see George back.

Protect yourself against jury-duty scammers

The phone rings, you pick it up, and the caller identifies himself as an officer of the court. He says you failed to report for jury duty and that a warrant is out for your arrest. You say you never received a notice. To clear it up, the caller says he will need some information for "verification purposes" such as your birth date, Social Security number, maybe even a credit card number.

This is when you should hang up the phone. It is a scam, according to the FBI.

Communities in more than a dozen states have issued public warnings about cold calls from people claiming to be court officials seeking personal information. The FBI reports that as a rule, court officers never ask for confidential information over the phone; they generally correspond with prospective jurors via mail.

The scam's bold simplicity may be what makes it so effective. Facing the unexpected threat of arrest, victims are caught off guard and may be quick to part with some information to defuse the situation.

"They get you scared first," says a special agent in the Minneapolis field office who has heard the complaints. "They get people saying, 'Oh my gosh! I'm not a criminal. What's going on?'"

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Baghdad Times Three

By CWO4 Don Simmons, USN (Ret)

Baghdad presented a unique challenge for me during my three temporary assignments (Jan 04 as part of a joint Dod/DoS task force to view support operations; Jun-Dec 05 as the Embassy Financial Management Officer and Mar-Apr 07 to support Embassy operations). In May 1989 I retired from the Navy with 29 years service as a CWO4. I immediately joined the Foreign Service and retired in May 2007 after completing 17 years. During my government service my family and I have been assigned to Iceland, India, Senegal, Norway, Japan, Sicily, Congo, Ivory Coast, Mexico, Armenia, Liberia and France. My initial TDY to Baghdad (Jan 04) was a very memorable trip as we flew commercial air from Washington, D.C. to Kuwait City. We spent a couple of days obtaining PPE (personal protective equipment) and briefing before entering the combat zone. We flew via a C-130 from Kuwait City to Baghdad International Airport (BIAP) where we spent several hours before flying via helo to the Green zone. Our accommodations consisted of single and bunk beds in one large room, called the Chapel, where both male and female in transient and TDY were berthed. Our meals were served in the Chapel in a large dining hall. The meals were provided by KGB contract service. Toilet facilities were available in the Palace (formally Saddam's Palace), however shower facilities were located in trailers parked next to the Palace. Our group was taken to the Minister of Finance in downtown Baghdad via a convoy consisting of an armored humvee in front and rear and three armored SUVs with an armed driver and armed escort. The Department of State participants on the task force were investigating the requirements for opening an Embassy in the Green zone in July 2004.



Don in the Green Zone

My next TDY to Baghdad (Jun-Dec 2005) was very challenging as I was the Financial Management Officer for the American Embassy Baghdad and also coordinated with the Military on contractor payments for life support to include housing and support for Department of State employees as well as military assigned within the green zone. The warning "Duck and Cover" was not coveted with a "this is not a drill" since our frequent duck and cover was punctuated with booms. Normally grenades were launched into the green zone by insurgents outside the zone setting up and quickly firing several grenades and then trying to move on before allied forces could respond. One very memorable duck and cover resulted in the loss of two lives, one a female contractor who worked in the berthing office who happened to go outside the building to make a cell

phone call home and a soldier who had stopped to rest on a bench near the berthing office. We were fortunate that the insurgents were not more accurate in their launchings.

At this time our berthing arrangements were in trailers surrounded by sand bag walls and concrete T-walls. The sand bags provided a good level of protection should a trailer be hit directly since the walls would restrict damage to the trailer hit thus reducing further injuries. During this TDY a new dining facility (DIOFAC) was open in a temporary building behind the Palace. The Palace was home to military offices, Embassy support offices, the Ambassador and his staff as well as other agencies and offices of the Dod/DoS.

A unique experience occurred when I was asked to assist at the gate between the red and green zones for the U.S. Mission to Iraq July 4th celebration. I was assigned to one of the gates to work with the military guards. The security of the gate was the responsibility of the military and I was to aide when a guest was not properly prepared for entry to the Green zone. After four hours at the gate with a helmet and protective vest on, I gained a large debt of gratitude and respect for those dedicated military guards at our gates. The Iraqi forces provide an initial check and then vehicles and pedestrian are permitted to enter the gate area where further security checks are conducted.

We lost one of the locally hired employees (FSN - foreign service national) who worked for me in the finance office. He left our office on Sunday evening (the work week was Sunday-Thursday) and was going to go on TDY to Bangkok for training on Tuesday. Sunday evening Aug 7, 2005 he left his house to shop for some fruit and a car pulled alongside his car and four shots were fired hitting him in the side of the head and three in his body with one piecing his heart. He died before they could



Don at the Crossed Swords

get him to the hospital. Ali Al Hillah was 24 years old and dedicated to his job in the finance office. After his death, my local staff was very concerned about their personal safety. My staff consisted of Ali a financial assistant, one payroll clerk, one cashier, one voucher examiner and one accountant. The payroll clerk had recently married a Jordanian and we shifted her job to

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Luncheon Meeting; 15 February 2008

Reported by **Basil Burrell**

Attended – 101: 97 reservations, 47 Members, 14 Auxiliaries, 24 Spouses, 16 Guests [(6) Walk-ins, (1) No-shows, (1) Cancellation]

I wonder if Howard Troxler knows how popular he is with the readers of the St. Petersburg Times. The large crowd we had at today's meeting certainly proved that he is with our members. I look forward to his column the three times a week that it appears.

Our new President, Lt Col Larry Fernald got the meeting underway by requesting MajGen Earl Peck to deliver the Invocation. We then followed Larry in the Pledge to our Flag and Country.

Larry introduced Kay Judge from MOAA Vacations and Charla Smith from Celebrity Cruise Line who were on hand to speak to us about the upcoming MOAA sponsored Panama Canal Cruise this coming October. They had brochures and literature available for those of us who were interested and were available to answer questions about the Cruise and any other cruises of possible interest to our members. I also understood that members could sign up accompanying guests at the MOAA rates.

Larry called for the door prize and equity distribution drawing. And again I didn't win. I am happy to say that some folks were luckier than me! I was pleased to see Fred and Pauline Edwards looking chipper today. We also had several guests and some members we don't see very often. Are they snowbirds? Whatever, it is good to see all these folks enjoying an excellent lunch and fellowship.

Larry announced that we are well on the way to our Scholarship fund 5-year commitment. The Officer's Call Booster fund is doing well. Carolyn Shields has had to resign as HOT lady, but I think she is still pretty hot anyway. Right Roger? Larry says we need someone to fill Carolyn's shoes in the HOT position.

The Florida Council of Chapters Convention is to be at the Cocoa Beach Hilton 2-4 May in Cape Canaveral sponsored by the Cape Canaveral Chapter. Fred Edwards reports that the hotel is very nice and is right on the beach with a good view of the Atlantic. There is a link on our web site directly to the Convention information. Don Freese reports that Marc is doing well in Iraq and says "Don't send anymore boxes; the Battalion is starting to pack up to come home."



Larry introduced our speaker, Howard Troxler, a member of the often maligned press. Fortunately, Howard doesn't fit the mold as his readers well understand. Howard admitted that he likes to talk and he does a great job of it. I think he is one of the liveliest and best speakers I have heard in years. There is no way that I can report on his subject matter except to say that he expressed a mostly negative opinion of politicians in general and the local ones in particular. Howard's presentation was enjoyable and entertaining. One salient point that he made was to not judge events or people on first news. Wait until the facts of all sides of a question are out. I think we can all appreciate that philosophy. Our members who missed this really did not do themselves a favor.

After Howard answered a few questions and replied to a few statements, Larry asked MajGen Peck to give the benediction and adjourned this month's luncheon meeting.

Respectfully, Basil



John and Jean Jessup



Paul and Betty Finley





Dauna Kelso and Thurm Dwyre



Chip and Johnnie Neville



Stew and Pat Palmer



Brent Gudmonson



Al Neville

A Veteran - whether active duty, retired, national guard or reserve - is someone who, at one point in his life, wrote a blank check made payable to "The United States of America", for an amount of "up to and including my life."

That is honor, and there are way too many people in this country who no longer understand it.

Author Unknown



Allen Schmidley



Howard Troxler



Pauline and Fred Edwards



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Protect Yourself (Cont'd)

That is when the scammer dangles a solution: a fine, payable by credit card, that will clear up the problem. With enough information, scammers can assume an identity and empty a bank account.

The FBI advises people to protect themselves by never giving out personal information during an unsolicited phone call. People can learn more about new and common scams by subscribing to the FBI's e-mail alerts. Visit the FBI Web site at <http://www.fbi.gov/homepage.htm> and click on "E-mail Updates." (Courtesy of the FBI)

Col Rod Bricker, USAF (Ret):

Rod suffered a major injury in a fall at his home in late November, 2007. As a result, he is paralyzed. However, he is showing signs of improvement and has been accepted into the VA Spinal Cord Injury Center at the Haley VA Hospital in Tampa and should be there and undergoing treatment by the time you read this.



Janice Mogan and Larry Fernald



Charlene Sanders

President's, from Pg 1

If you are interested, or would like more information, please "Call Larry."

On a humorous note, when I was building the ad box, my wife walked in, took one look, and said, "Just what are you doing?" (Side note to self: next time write the article first...that little mistake cost me a dinner out).

Last month, I said that this article would discuss just where your dues go. Since I don't want this to be too long, I'll keep that discussion as brief as I can. In fact, I can summarize just where your dues go in one—make it three words: the *Officers Call*.

As you know, we have an *Officers Call* Booster Fund which is funded by your donations. That fund is used to produce the color shells for the publication, which are printed well in advance of each month's printing.

The day-to-day publication and mailing costs of *Officers Call* are paid for by your dues and what fees we collect for advertisements.

All in all, we have done a fairly good job of keeping up with costs. As materials and printing costs have risen, we have asked you to consider receiving *Officers Call* via email. Many of you accepted that offer and today receive a full color version. The postal version is not in full color, which keeps our costs down.

I had planned on giving you charts and graphs to illustrate all this, but, since this article is already too long, we both lucked out.

See you at the luncheon on the 14th of March.

TRICARE Conference Addresses Big Issues in Washington, DC. MOAA President VADM Norb Ryan, JR, USN (Ret) was one of five distinguished panelists asked to address "the future of military health care." Ryan emphasized the need to make the budget fit requirements rather than vice-versa, expressing MOAA's support for a Defense budget at least equal to 4% of GDP. He made the case that there's too much discussion about how much military health care costs the government, and not enough into the level of benefit that career military people earn through lengthy and arduous service.



**The Few, the Proud, the Marines!****Berkeley Council Retreats under Fire**

The Berkeley, Calif. city council, newly informed that the rest of the country has grown beyond the 1960s, has canceled its planned attack on the U.S. Marine Corps. But they're not signing any peace agreement.

The council made headlines across America two weeks ago by voting (6 to 3) to direct the city clerk to send the Marines a letter calling them "uninvited and unwelcome intruders" for establishing a recruiting office in the city. They also approved a parking permit to let a group called "Code Pink" park in front of the Marines' office one day a week to disrupt recruiting efforts with marches and noise.

That touched off multiple rounds of incoming fire from outraged citizens, editorial writers, business leaders, and members of Congress — who threatened legislation withdrawing appropriations earmarked for companies and public projects in the Berkeley area. That prompted a worried University of California, Berkeley chancellor to write the area's congressional delegation, indicating the university's disagreement with the city council and strong support for its ROTC program and military people in general.

The furor culminated this week in marches and countermarches of pro- and anti-Marine protestors, before the city council voted (7 to 2) to withdraw the letter.

"We embarrassed our city," said one council member.

But a separate motion to apologize to the Marines was defeated.

The Marines remain optimistic that they will continue to find good men and women eager to join the Marines, even in Berkeley.

Legislative Updates

(Edited from www.MOAA.org by CAPT Don Freese)

Military Widows Win Right to Pursue Damages

The US Court of Federal Claims has ruled in favor of three Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuitants who are suing the federal government to restore their full SBP annuities and avoid any deduction of the VA's Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC). On February 11, Judge George W. Miller denied the Pentagon's motion to dismiss the suit and decided to let the case proceed. The judge's ruling on the motion made it pretty clear that he leans toward agreeing with the widows.

But the battle is far from over as the Pentagon has until February 26 to appeal the judge's ruling or proceed with the case. And no matter the final outcome, it will likely be appealed. MOAA notes that this case addresses only the three survivors pursuing the suit. It's not a class action case, and it's not certain whether a favorable decision would affect any other survivors.

Civilian Rx Plans Would Beat TRICARE's

Raising military pharmacy co-payments from up to 100% to 400%, as recommended in the FY2009 Defense budget proposal, would put military pharmacy benefits among the lower half of civilian plans.

For generic drugs purchased in retail pharmacies, the Defense budget proposes raising the beneficiary copay from \$3 to \$15, 83% of civilian employer plans charge less than that for generic drugs, with almost 20% charging \$5 or less.

For brand-name drugs in retail pharmacies, the Defense budget proposes raising the TRICARE copay from \$9 to \$25, almost half of civilian employers (45%) charge less than that.

For brand-name, non-formulary medications, the TRICARE copay would rise from \$22 to \$45 68% more than civilian plans charge.

By comparison, Wal-Mart offers over 360 medications with copay of only \$4 to anyone who walks in the door.

Perhaps the purpose of the Defense budget's proposed fee hikes is to push more beneficiaries to use Wal-Mart rather than their TRICARE benefit.

That would certainly save the Defense Department money. But it wouldn't make military people feel very good about their military health coverage.

MOAA believes military beneficiaries' extraordinary service and sacrifice have earned them the best health coverage in America, and that it's an insult to propose shifting them to second-tier pharmacy coverage.

Budget Hits Medicare Beneficiaries' Wallets

The Administration's FY2009 budget would deal heavy blows to Medicare and many older beneficiaries.

Physician reimbursement cuts of almost 10% originally planned for January will go into effect in July unless Congress acts to reverse them.

The new budget would repeal annual inflation adjustments to the income levels used to means-test Part B premiums. If enacted, that would push more and more people each year into paying significantly higher Part B premiums. This year, the higher premiums apply to single seniors with incomes over \$82,000 (\$164,000 for a married couple) as opposed to \$80,000/\$160,000 last year.

Once again, we'll need your as MOAA's "One Powerful Voice" to help convince Congress to overturn these cuts.

Go to MOAA's Web Site to send your legislators a MOAA-suggested message and urge them to avoid the July 2008 cut in Medicare/TRICARE payments to physicians.





Executive Committee Meeting St Petersburg Area Chapter, MOAA; 4 February 2008 Reported by D. Kay Benson, Secretary

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Fernald at 11:30. Ed Lillich gave the Invocation. Larry led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fifteen (15) members were in attendance: D.Kay Benson, Basil Burrell, Bob Eynatten, Larry Fernald, Paul Finley, Don Freese, Anita Harrow, Ed Lillich, H.B. Love, Janice Mogan, Al Neville, Stew Palmer, Roger Shields, Vi Smith and Don Simmons. Minutes of January 7, 2008 meeting were approved as printed in the Officers Call. Larry reported that the Finance Audit of 2007 has been completed and the books were found to be in order. He also gave the Treasurer's report in Pete's absence. Larry moved that the Treasurer's Report be approved by the Board before it is printed in the OC. Seconded by Don. Al requested that the format be made more reader friendly. Larry will change the format per Al's suggestion. Motion passed.



Don gave out certificates of appreciation to the board and expressed his thanks for all their efforts in making this a great chapter. Don reported on the Installation Dinner: counting guests with paid reservations – 119 v. 117 last year, profit of \$207.33 thanks to the reasonable valet charge. The 30-45 minute social hour went well. Donor acknowledgement letters are at Sir Speedy. 2007 Florida Council Report was mailed along with a check for \$156.00 (312 members). Since that was mailed, we have had 5 more members pay their dues. Earl requested that we send in the extra \$2.50 for those members.

Give Me 10 for 2006-7: 31 total new members v. 32 last year = 63 total. 19 GMT (5 Life) v. 19 GMT (2 Life) last year, 38 total, all but one dues paying. \$350 check v. \$310 last year, \$660 total. 2008 - 134 chapter members not Life MOAA National, plan mailing after April 1st discount and incentive decision by MOAA Board. Three not MOAA National members. 1,000 MOAA members, lapsed members and prospects in our area. We have the money for a Direct Mail campaign this year. Should get 1 to 3% (30 to 90) new members.

Renewal Drive: 62 as of 11/24/07 with losses of 12 member deaths, 3 spouse deaths, 21 resigned, 5 moved, 3 inactive list, 1 will pay and 2 Auxiliary dropped.

At 1307, Ed said the Benediction and the meeting adjourned.

From Hollywood Squares (the TV program):

Q. According to Ann Landers, is there anything wrong with getting into the habit of kissing a lot of people?

A. Charley Weaver: It got me out of the army.

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the Iraq Support Unit in Amman, Jordan where she joined her husband. Our voucher examiner requested to be sent on TDY to Amman for 90 days so he could relocate his family outside of Iraq. This period proved to be very challenging to keep staff morale high, meet their personal needs for safety, and continue necessary financial operations.

The Embassy Management Counselor and I reviewed our operations and set in motion procedures to reduce work being done on the ground in Iraq with a goal to move off-shore any non-essential functions and reduce the number of local hire employees until security conditions improved.

During my last TDY to Baghdad (Apr-May 2007) I was able to further refine the processes which could be moved off-shore. I worked with the Iraq Support Unit (ISU) in Amman on procedures to employ third country nationals who would travel to Baghdad to provide necessary financial services at the U.S. Embassy Baghdad in exchange for salary and bonus which included housing and meals. At this time, I was assigned to the Financial Service Center, Charleston, SC where I was the Director of the Distressed Post Support Unit (DPSU). Our office was able to pick up a significant amount of work which ordinarily would be done at an Embassy overseas thus reducing the requirement for locally hired employees.

My TDYs to Baghdad gave me a renewed respect for the dedication of our men and women not only in uniform but also those who work for other government agencies as well as our locally hired employees who put at risk themselves and their families to support the United States Government in accomplishing its goals and objectives in Iraq. I would talk with the military in the course of my official duties and socially at the dining facility during meals, recreational events and church service. I am pleased to say with respect and admiration that I did not encounter anyone with a negative attitude about their mission. I was proud to be the oldest sailor at the Navy Day celebration in Oct 2005 where at age 64 I shared cutting the cake with a 19 year old sailor.



Don (our editor in training) and Eleanor Simmons





TAPS

Thankfully: None



Welcome New Members!

Sadly: None

March Birthdays (63 to 97 years)

Day	L Name	F Name	Rank	SVC
23	Allen, James		CPT	USA (Ret)
27	Choronenko, Iwan		Lt Col	USAF (Ret)
16	Curran, Henry		LTJG	USN (Fmr)
30	Foutz, Delores		Mrs.	AuxMbr-A
26	Haley, Alda		CDR	USNR (Ret)
21	Hatfield, John		CAPT	USN (Ret)
17	Hundley, Charles		Lt Col	USAF (Ret)
22	Imboden, John		2nd Lt	USAAF (Fmr)
16	Isley, Anne		Mrs.	AuxMbr-A
25	Jackson, Mallett		Col	USMC (Ret)
15	Kilroy, Edward		Maj	USAF (Ret)
08	Prall, Thomas		LTC	USA (Ret)
02	Reischmann, Richard		Maj	USAF (Ret)
22	Roberson, Harold		Col	USMC (Ret)
19	Rothfuss, John		LCDR	USNR (Frm)
29	Spencer, Denzel		MAJ	USA (Ret)
27	Wildes, Ronald		Lt Col	USAFR (Ret)

Financial Report

for the
Month of January 2008

Officers Call Boosters

Balance, 1 Jan.....	\$1,616.00
Donations.....	\$ 210.00
Printing Expenses.....	\$ 272.76
Postage Expenses.....	\$ 220.00
Balance, 31 Jan.....	\$1,333.24

HOT Fund

Balance, 1 Jan.....	\$2,217.30
Donations.....	\$ 460.00
Balance, 31 Jan.....	\$2,677.30

Scholarship Fund

Balance, 1 Jan.....	\$ 10.00
Donations.....	\$ 469.00
Balance, 31 Jan.....	\$ 479.00

Operating Account

Balance, 1 Jan.....	\$3,868.04
December Luncheon.....	\$ 28.00
Installation Dinner.....	\$3,248.00
Dues.....	\$ 210.00
Miscellaneous.....	\$ 45.00
Interest Earned.....	\$ 9.94
Installation Dinner Expense.....	\$3,023.27
Supplies Expense.....	\$ 30.00
Postage Expense.....	\$ 84.60
Contributions Expense.....	\$ 216.00
Miscellaneous Expenses.....	\$ 129.35
Balance, 31 Jan.....	\$3,925.76

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Your cards, prayers and thoughts are welcome.
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Violet Smith and Don Freese

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April 18th, Friday, 11:00: Maj Gen Earl Peck

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June 20th, Friday, 11:00 TBA

July 18th, Friday, 11:00 TBA

August 15th, Friday, 11:00 TBD

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