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President's Comments:

We have some good news concerning a couple of our great members. Violet Smith, I am told will be returning home today, 23 July, after her rehabilitation. Hazel McGrath is now well enough to want visitors. She is currently in Gulf Shores Rehab Center, 6767 86th Avenue North, Pinellas Park. Hazel is in room #408, bed #1. Phone number is 548-5566.



At the luncheon, I announced I have appointed a nominations committee for this year. It will be chaired by Bill Lofgren, and its members will be Anita Harrow and Pete Dawson. They will recommend three Board members, and possibly some Officer changes. If you are willing to serve, please let one of these members know. Selected candidates will be presented to the membership at the November luncheon.

Pauline Edwards had a scheduled guest for our July luncheon; however, she was unavoidably delayed, and did not arrive until after the luncheon had ended. Ms. Rose McDermott is head of the MOAA Scholarship Fund and was scheduled to attend to thank everyone for their generous contributions to the scholarship fund in honor of Fred Edwards. She did leave a couple of gifts that I will let you know about at the next luncheon, and I invited her back for a future meeting.

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HOT PROJECT

IMPORTANT COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Reported by Anita J. Harrow

Though the number of our military troops in Afghanistan continues to decrease, there are still enough troops remaining who need our support. With all the troop deployments from one location to another, the units we serve change monthly. As a result, keeping track of new mailing addresses is a challenge.



Fear not, however, your HOT team thrives on challenges! HOT team members and important community partners such as the St Petersburg Bridge Club of Pinellas Park which annually hosts a fund raiser and donated \$616.00 this year; local dentists who monthly donate cases of toothpaste; the Military Widows who contribute raisins and cash each month; and the Chapter Beta XI Masters; who contribute powered drink mix willingly give their time, talent and treasure because we know how important mail is to those far from home and we are rewarded with the knowledge that our boxes bring comfort to troops. Following are portions of just a few of the letters received:

“On behalf of all of the soldiers in my unit, I wanted to take a moment to thank you personally for the wonderful care packages you sent to us. It is very difficult to get comfort items here, so even the smallest things meant so much to me and my men. I’m not exaggerating when I say all of the food items, music, movies and books were claimed within just a few minutes.”

“On behalf of the Marines and Sailors of the 1st Reconnaissance Battalion, I thank you for the care packages. All of the snack foods are greatly appreciated and are being put to good use I can assure you. We are genuinely grateful for patriotic Americans like you who keep us going even when the going gets tough. We pray God’s richest blessing on you and yours.”

“Just wanted to say thank you for the care packages sent to my squadron a few weeks ago. They devoured everything!”

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Print Media Winner- 2006

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Luncheon Meetings The 3rd Friday — mixer
 11:00 - 11:45; luncheon program 11:45 - 13:15;
 Banquet Masters, 8100 Park Blvd., Pinellas Pk.

CALENDAR

August 17th Terri Griner, AWAPS
September 21st MAJ Ed Lillich POW/MIA
October 19th
November 16th

**** Need a ride to the luncheon?
 Call: CDR Bill Bolin 584-1595 or
 LTC Terry Carr 392-6524**

Business Meetings are on the 1st Monday of the
 month 11:30-12:30 at Perkins Restaurant on the NE
 corner of Starkey Rd. & Park Blvd., Seminole.

August 6th Monday
September 4th Tuesday
October 1st Monday

ROWC

Luncheons:

- Next luncheon will be in October

Luncheon Reservations:
 Evelyn Hamilton, 399-1272 or
 Bobbie Walters 595-4619

Membership Info:

- Barbara King 391-2464

Bridge: (1st Wednesday of the month) 10:00 AM
 Banquet Masters, 8100 Park Blvd., Pinellas Park.
 • Reservations or Information: Evelyn Hamilton 399-1272
 or Bobbie Walters 595-4619

Chapter Statistics

Total Membership - 295
 Regular Members - 193
 Auxiliary Members - 102
 Inactive Members - 5

Military Services:

Army - 66 USMC - 14
 USAF - 62 USCG - 9
 Navy - 42 NOAA - 0

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Minutes

Reported by **Chris Lillich**
Monthly Luncheon; 20 July 2012

Attended – 63: (62 reservations), 4 Member Guest, 1 Chapter Guests, 3 Walk in, 0 Cancel, 2 No Shows

The meeting was called to order by President Terry Carr. Chaplain George Brown gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Terry.

Those at the head table were President Carr, 1st Vice President Bill Lee, Chaplain Brown and our guest speaker Dr. Gloria L. Payne, PHD, LMFT. Guests were; RADM Charles Hunter, Louise Painter, Georgia French and Kathy Harkins, friends of Penny and Bill Eisenhart; Marri Harrow, daughter of Anita Harrow and Ed Tammaro, friend of Dr. Payne. Ken and Ellen Fine were welcomed back to the chapter. Ken recently retired and now is able to attend the luncheons although he and Ellen have always attended the installation dinners. Welcome to all the guests and welcome back to Ken and Ellen. As always, we were happy to have Meredith Crook and her friend Jim Wilson with us.



Florida Council of Chapters immediate Past President, Don Freese, presented the Col Marvin J. Harris Communication Awards to two of our Chapter members. For the St Petersburg Chapter website, 1st runner up, Larry Fernald, Webmaster and for the St Petersburg Chapter Newsletter, the *Officers Call*, Jim Patton, Editor. Of all the states in MOAA, Florida won the most communication awards.

Don also announced that the US Coast Guard Cutter, USCGC Tampa, will hold an open house (open ship) on the 4th of August. Anyone interested in touring the ship should call Don Freese no later than 31 July. Basil Burrell brought up a bit of history about the USCGC Tampa. The original USCGC Tampa was sunk during WWI and this cutter is its replacement.

Anita Harrow will be sending the August boxes very soon and was happy to report that she has two new units to send to. Anita gave special recognition to Don and Sherry Freese and their bridge club for raising \$616.00 at charity bridge games for the HOT program, and to Maureen Conners' sorority for furnishing powdered mix to enhance water, and to the Military widows who furnish raisins for the boxes every month. Anita asked that if anyone is a member of another organization wishing to get involved with a project to ask the members to contribute the our HOT program.

The winner of the monthly door prize was Skip Hartnett, our Area Vice President. He turned over his winnings to the Scholarship fund. 50/50 was split three ways this month and the winners were Ellen Fine, Marri Harrow and Fred Schlager.

President Carr announced the appointment of the Nominating Committee as Bill Lofgren, Chairman, Anita Harrow and Pete Dawson.

Following lunch, 1st Vice President Bill Lee introduced Gloria L. Payne, PhD, LMFT, who specializes in relationship issues, anxiety, depression, loss and PTSD. She has been providing services to clients for a variety of other issues for the past 19 years. Dr. Payne is a founding member and associate trainer for the International Academy for Advanced Clinical Hypnosis and the American Institute for Rapid Trauma Resolution. She has had offices in Miami, Clearwater and Palm Harbor and is a charter member of the Sunrise Rotary of Dade City. She has been chairperson for Relay for Life for her club for the past 10 years. She is a past board member of Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Pasco County. Dr. Payne gave a very interesting talk on identifying specific problems and corrections or relief of same. She gave examples of different types of stress and how to deal with them. After a brief question and answer period, President Carr presented Dr. Payne with a set of drink glasses.

The benediction was given by Chaplain Brown and the meeting was adjourned.

Executive Committee Meeting **2 July 2012**

The meeting was called to order by President Terry Carr. Past President Ed Lillich gave the invocation and Terry led the Pledge of Allegiance. Sixteen members were present including; Virginia Balke, Carol Barnes, Bill Bolin, Basil Burrell, Terry Carr, Maureen Conners, Pete Dawson, Larry Fernald, Don Freese, Anita Harrow, Jean Jessup, Chris Lillich, Ed Lillich, Bill Lofgren, Jim Patton and Barbara Stakk.

Minutes of June Meeting: Ed Lillich made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as printed in the Officers Call. Anita Harrow seconded the motion and motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Pete Dawson reported the balance in the operating account as of June 30, 2012 was \$8,539.30. Don Freese made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Ed Lillich seconded the motion, motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

HOT: Anita Harrow sent twenty-three boxes in June. Two boxes were returned because the camp was closed. Prior to sending boxes, she sends a note to those intended to receive them. If the note comes back she doesn't send the box. Anita still needs donations for the boxes, especially beef jerky.

Don Freese announced that the Bridge Club will have another charity game with proceeds going to HOT on the 4th of July.

Jean Jessup, AuxMbr-A, member of the Executive Advisory Board, tendered her resignation to the Executive Committee. Her resignation was accepted with regrets. Jean also handled the 50/50 drawing at the monthly luncheons. Don Freese volunteered, with Sherry's assistance, to handle the 50/50 for the July luncheon. Maureen Conners volunteered to take over the 50/50 drawings for the balance of the year.

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President from Pg 1

Plans continue for the FCOC Convention for 2014, which we will host at the downtown Hilton Hotel. Please let either Don Freese or Larry Fernald know how you would like to participate.

For the June luncheon meeting our speaker will be Terri Griner of the Albert Whitted Airport Preservation Society. I hope to see you there

HOT from Page 1

In my opinion, letters such as these validate the importance of our HOT project and should assure everyone who contributes to HOT that their time, talent, and treasure are well placed and bring comfort.

Again, thank you for helping to ensure that our troops who receive our boxes know that they are in our thoughts and prayers and that their sacrifices are greatly appreciated!

Working together as SPAMOOA members and our important community partners, we can continue to have a successful project.

So, **KEEP THOSE CONTRIBUTIONS COMING!**

Minutes from Page 3

Maureen Connors is planning to put the archives on disk so they can be shown on the computer at any time. The E.C. wholeheartedly approved of this endeavor. Barbara Stakk offered to help Maureen with the History Committee.

Jim Patton needs all input for the Officers Calls on Sunday the 22nd of July.

OLD BUSINESS: Bay News 9 is running our Chapter luncheon data on the community news. This will be as a fill-in at this time. We are still waiting on permission to run the MOAA film and hope to have more on that in early fall.

The 2013 Florida MOAA convention will be held on June 7 - 9 at the Hyatt in Sarasota.

NEW BUSINESS: President Terry Carr nominated Bill Lofgren to be Chairman of the Bylaws/Policy Book Committee. Larry Fernald made a motion to accept the nomination of Bill to fill the vacant position of said committee. Ed Lillich seconded the motion and motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE: Terry Carr read a letter of thanks from Chaplain Gore for our recent donation of food, supplies and toys for the troops. He also received a note for the Chapter donation to Project Corregidor.

There being no further business, Ed Lillich gave the benediction and the meeting was adjourned at 1245 hours.

Adaptive sports help heal bodies, minds

By francesjohnson

– April 4, 2012 Posted in: Recovery Care, Wounded Warrior Programs, Wounded Warriors



Wounded warrior athletes competed in the third annual Warrior Games from April 30 to May 5 in Colorado. Adaptive sports and athletic reconditioning is a key component of recovery for many wounded, ill and injured Service members.

A Service member's recovery from a wound, illness or injury can be a long journey and encompasses everything from physical and mental health to emotional and spiritual well-being. For many wounded warriors, the hardest part of this process is accepting their "new normal" and coming to terms with the fact that their lives have been changed forever. But, through adaptive sports many wounded warriors discover a new life they may never have imagined.

Service members who participate in adaptive sports, especially through training camps and other opportunities provided by the Military Services, gain a new sense of confidence as well as physical and emotional strength, said Tom Hopkins, contract and program manager for the Marine Corps' Warrior Athlete Reconditioning Program, which is part of the Wounded Warrior Regiment.

"There's a massive transformation by the end of those camps," Tom said. "And you see them a couple months later and their personalities have changed. They're realizing that not only can they do this thing, they can be good at it."

This kind of participation in adaptive sports, athletic reconditioning and other recreational activities, whether competitive or non-competitive, can be a key component of any wounded, ill or injured Service member's physical recovery. Physical benefits include lower blood pressure, weight management and overall enhancement of the rehabilitative process. Positive physical activity can also mitigate negative behaviors such as poor dietary habits, excessive alcohol consumption or drug use and abuse.

Participation in adaptive sports, particularly through the programs offered by each of the Military Services as well as the Department of Veterans Affairs, also prepares warrior athletes for competitive events such as the Warrior Games, which were held April 30 through May 5, in Colorado Springs, Colo.

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MOAA Legislative Update

Edited by **Jim Patton**

From MOAA and other sources

CBO: DoD's Costs to Spiral Higher

The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) recently released report titled, "Implications of the 2013 Future Years Defense Program (FYDP)" offers long-term projections of Pentagon costs for acquisition, military construction, and operations and support programs.



While the defense budget share of the gross domestic product (GDP) is projected to decline from 3.5% in 2010 to 2.5% in 2030, CBO estimates the Pentagon budget will rise from to \$535 billion in 2013 to \$645 billion in 2030.

According to CBO, much of the increases will come in operations and support accounts, which include pay, health care, and retirement costs.

CBO projects these costs will increase from \$356 billion in 2013 to \$460 billion by 2030, accounting for 71% of the Pentagon's budget that year. That's almost \$40 billion more growth than the Pentagon budget projects.

The difference is that CBO assumes Congress won't approve Administration-proposed TRICARE fee hikes and military and civilian pay raise caps and that military costs will continue to grow faster than nationwide health costs.

According to CBO, the cost of care in military treatment facilities has grown at 3.2% annually in recent years, and the cost of TRICARE-contracted-care has grown at 4.2% per year, compared with average health cost growth of 1.3% per year for the nation as a whole.

MOAA believes the disparity may reflect temporary anomalies, such as war-related costs, dramatic cutbacks in civilian employer coverage, and rising civilian unemployment/health coverage loss. Many civilian providers also have worked hard to become more efficient and focus on cost-effective healthcare outcomes.

But the disparity CBO highlighted also reflects the inherent inefficiency of military health care management. In that regard, more than a dozen studies have proposed reforming the current counterproductive and duplicative setup under which three separate service health care programs and multiple contractors fight for shares of the health-care budget.

Yet Defense leaders continue to oppose legislation passed by the House of Representatives to consolidate all military medical budget and delivery authority under a unified medical command. Instead of exercising their own responsibilities to make military healthcare delivery more efficient, they've sought to shift more costs to beneficiaries - because it's easier.

MOAA believes more critical scrutiny of CBO's findings should highlight the need to overhaul the current grossly inefficient systems of military health care delivery.

Contact Senators on Defense Priorities

There's no certainty when the Senate will begin floor action on the FY2013 Defense Authorization Bill, but it could come before the August recess.

In anticipation of that, MOAA has been working with several senators to craft proposed amendments on key MOAA-supported issues, including:

SBP: Sen. Bill Nelson's (D-FL) amendment would repeal the requirement to deduct VA survivor benefits from military Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuities.

Concurrent Receipt: Sen. Harry Reid's (D-NV) amendment would allow full concurrent receipt of both VA disability compensation and military retired pay. Another Reid amendment would correct a glitch that undercompensates certain retirees with combat-related disabilities.

TRICARE: Sen. Frank Lautenberg's (D-NJ) amendment would acknowledge in law that career servicemembers pre-pay very high premiums for their health care in retirement through decades of service and sacrifice.

Stolen Valor: Sen. Jim Webb's (D-VA) amendment would establish criminal penalties for those who attempt to gain financially through false claims of military service or military decorations.

Send your Senators a MOAA-suggested message asking them to support these amendments, and MOAA will continue to work with the Senate to include other important provisions in this year's defense bill.

Governor Scott enacts Purple Heart Day August 7th

The Florida Senate and House of Representatives unanimously passed legislation establishing an annual Purple Heart Day in Florida, beginning in 2012. The legislation designated August 7th of each year as Florida Purple Heart Day.

Quote of the Week

"I was assured by leadership that when I agreed to vote for the Budget Control Act — which I did to prevent our country from defaulting on its obligations — that sequestration would never happen, that it was such a dire remedy that it would force the Super Committee to act, and obviously that proved not to be true." (Sen. Susan Collins, R-ME, on the looming threat of sequestration)

COLA Slide Continues

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) slid another 0.2% in June and now stands at 1.3% for the year. The 2013 COLA will be based on the CPI average from July through September.



1st VP Bill Lee introducing guest speaker Dr Gloria Payne



Guest speaker Dr Gloria Payne



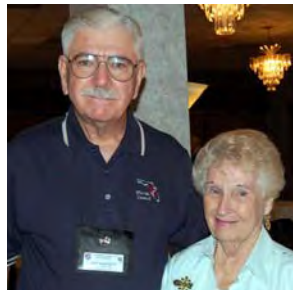
Pres. Terry Carr presenting Dr Payne with chapter gift



Chaplain George Brown delivering the Invocation



FCOC Past President Don Freese presenting Jim Patton Certificate for 1st Runner Up for MOAA Newsletter



West Central Florida Area VP Skip Hartnett with Pauline Edwards



Anita Harrow and daughter Maari Harrow



FCOC Past President Don Freese presenting Larry Fernald Certificate for 1st Runner Up for MOAA Website



Ellen Marie and Ken Fine



Dick and Natalie Oliver



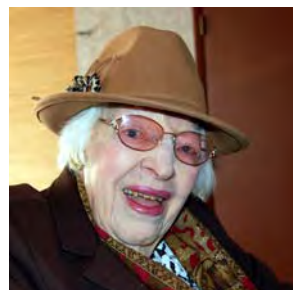
Bill and Penny Eisenhart with guest Louise Painter



Basil Burrell and Johnnie Neville



Bill Lewis and Joan Landers



Meredith Crook



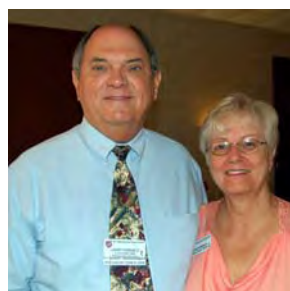
Betty and Paul Finley



Katie Harkins and Georgia French, guests of Katie's sister Jeanne Alvarez, who wasn't present



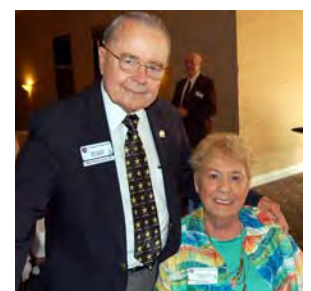
Roger Green and guest RADM Charles Hunter



Larry and Barb Fernald



Sherry Freese and Paulette Carr



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Guest Denise Lujan and Buzz Hunter



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Marlene and John Talbitzer



Fred Schlager



Dick Koch



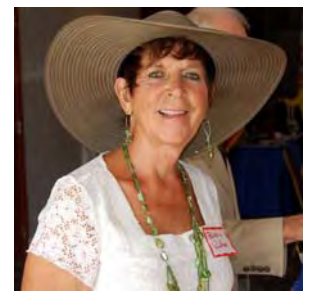
Fran Shivers



Guest Ed Tamaro and Bill Lee



Chris Lillich and Barbara Stakk



Bobbie Walters



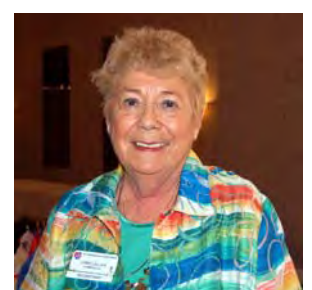
2nd VP Joanne Taylor and Cindy Vitters



Lynn and Bill Bolin



Pete Dawson



Chris Lillich



Sherry Freese presenting 50/50 winner Ellen Marie Fine with winnings



Sherry Freese presenting 50/50 winner Maari Harrow with winnings



Sherry Freese presenting 50/50 winner Fred Schlager with winnings

If you would like a copy of your monthly luncheon photo taken by Bill Lofgren, please notify Larry Fernald of your correct email address at the following email address: LarryFern246@tampabay.rr.com

Photos by Bill Lofgren



Warriors from Page 4

Many recovering Service members who participate in adaptive sports and athletic reconditioning also enjoy mental and emotional benefits from increased physical activity. Getting Service members out and around their peers in a competitive but light-hearted environment can work wonders, Tom said. The Marine Corps also pairs wounded warrior athletes with mentors, usually older veterans who have already triumphed over same experiences wounded warriors are currently going through.

That is not to say that the process is easy, Tom added, or quick. Luckily, adaptive sports opportunities continue even when wounded warriors transition to veteran status. The VA's Adaptive Sports Program works with VA staff, the U.S. Paralympics and community-based adaptive sports programs across the country to encourage disabled veterans to redefine themselves by participating and/or competing in adaptive sports. Some veterans training in their respective sports are also provided a monthly assistance allowance by the VA. To qualify for the monthly allowance, a veteran must have a service-related or non-service-related disability and must meet the qualifying military standard for a particular sport. In addition, the VA program provides grants to U.S. Paralympics member organizations, Paralympic Sports Clubs and veteran and military organizations nationwide to enhance and expand local community-based adaptive sports programs.

The goal of any adaptive sports program is to show wounded warrior athletes that they are capable of more than they think. There is no limit to the adaptations that can be made to any sort of sporting equipment, including bicycles, rifles and archery bows, Tom said, and many athletes are achieving things they wouldn't have considered even before they were wounded, injured or fell ill.

"If the desire is there, there is always an engineer or someone out there who can fashion the apparatus to meet the requirement," Tom said. Some adaptations include a shooting system for visually impaired athletes that beeps when the shooter is within target range, as well as bikes that can be fitted for single amputees, double amputees, triple amputees and quadriplegics.

All these adaptations help wounded warriors perform better as athletes, but the lessons they are learning transcend the playing field.

"They're being asked to do more and not just go through the motions but to be good, to push through to the next level. And they go willingly," Tom said. "So, are there life lessons? Absolutely. There are going to be a lot of challenges out there that aren't on the track or in the pool. It's the simple things like, How do I get myself to the grocery store and do the things that are part of my everyday life? You draw on these experiences where you've had success and use those to quiet the voices of doubt."

Walgreens Rejoins TRICARE

Walgreens announced it had come to an agreement with TRICARE Retail Pharmacy's contractor, Express Scripts on a new multi-year contract agreement.

Financial Report Summary for the Month of June

Officers Call Booster

..... Balance, Beginning of Month	\$ (370.13)
..... Donations	\$ 0.00
..... Ads	\$ 0.00
..... Postage & Printing Expenses	\$ (359.80)
..... Balance, End of Month	\$ (729.93)

HOT Fund

..... Balance, Beginning of Month	\$ 2,006.96
..... Donations	\$ 397.00
..... 50/50	\$ 44.00
..... Memorials	\$ 30.00
..... Expenses	\$ (1,279.74)
..... Balance, End of Month	\$ 1,198.22

Scholarship Fund

..... Balance, Beginning of Month	\$ 2,310.00
..... Donations	\$ 930.00
..... Expended	\$ (1,380.00)
..... Balance, End of Month	\$ 1,860.00

Operating Account

..... Balance, Beginning of Month	\$ 8,808.50
..... Luncheon Income	\$ 485.00
..... Dues/Give Me 10	\$ 20.00
..... Misc Income	\$ 0.00
..... Interest Earned	\$ 2.14
..... Luncheon Expense	\$ (430.00)
..... VA/JROTC	\$ 0.00
..... Supplies	\$ (26.51)
..... Printing	\$ (214.78)
..... Post Office	\$ (75.05)
..... Memorial to HOT	\$ (30.00)
..... Other Organizations	\$ 0.00
..... Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 0.00
..... Balance, End of Month	\$ 8,539.30

Beginning on September 15, TRICARE beneficiaries and other Express Scripts participants will once again be able to fill their prescriptions at Walgreens locations.

Walgreens is the nation's largest retail drugstore chain, and previously served as the largest TRICARE network pharmacy.

This ends a long stand-off between the two sides which prevented TRICARE beneficiaries from using the popular pharmacy chain for more than six months.

MOAA is pleased to see both sides reach a long term agreement that will preserve broad access to retail pharmacies in the future.





TAPS

- ◆ Lt Col Schuyler “Sky” Crowell, USAF (Ret)
27 June 2012

Our thoughts and prayers are with family and friends.

Sick List

Your cards, prayers, and thoughts are welcome.
(Contact LCDR Hazel McGrath, 545-3884)

- ◆ Lt Col John Milford, USAF (Ret)
- ◆ CDR Alda Haley, USN (Ret)
- ◆ Mrs. Clarada Pribble, AuxMbr-MC
- ◆ Col Mildred “Gene” Butler, USAF Ret)
- ◆ Mrs. Margaret Mattson, AuxMbr-CG
- ◆ COL Anse “Ed” Speairs, USA (Ret)
- ◆ LTC Marie Lorence, USA (Ret)
- ◆ Lt Col Ron Wildes, USAF (Ret)



Welcome Our New Members!

Sadly, none!

August Birthdays (60 to 95 years)

<u>Day</u>	<u>LName</u>	<u>FName</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>SVC</u>
17	Augustine	John	Col	USAF (Ret)
8	Belson	Jane	Mrs.	AuxMbr-Spouse
22	Borrowes	Marja	Mrs.	AuxMbr-CG
21	Brown	Gary	B Gen	USMC (Ret)
25	Burgess	William	MAJ	USA (Ret)
14	Catalano	Vincent	Lt Col	USAF (Ret)
06	Christie	Robert	LtCol	USMC (Ret)
25	Dawson	Peter	Maj	USAF (Ret)
13	Fleming	William	LT	USN (Ret)
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03	Taylor	Joanne	MAJ	USA (Ret)
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2013 TRICARE Prime Enrollment Fees Announced

FALLS CHURCH, Va. – The fiscal year 2013 TRICARE Prime enrollment fees for uniformed service retirees and their families go into effect Oct. 1, 2012. The Prime enrollment fees for 2013 are \$269.28 for retirees, and \$538.56 for retirees and their family members.

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The 2013 fees are based on the cost of living adjustment retirees received in 2012. The adjustment was applied to the \$260 (individual) and \$520 (family) 2012 Prime enrollment fees. Because of this, most retirees who were enrolled in Prime prior to Oct. 1, 2011, will see a more significant increase since their enrollment fee remained at the 2011-levels of \$230 and \$460 per year.

Beneficiaries can opt to pay their enrollment fee monthly, quarterly or annually. Before deciding to pay annually, beneficiaries should keep in mind that in most cases enrollment fees are non-refundable, and Congressional changes to fees in the 2013 budget could occur. For this reason, it's recommended that beneficiaries pay their enrollment fee monthly or quarterly.



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Program Begins at 11:45

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Ms. Terri Griner



Terri started her career in education in 1980 progressing through teaching K-3 to representing the teaching profession in our State's capital. Her leadership activities led to work in Washington, DC where she promoted new education policy and strengthening the teaching profession. Terri's background includes establishing and operating a retail business in downtown St. Petersburg as well as supporting a number of volunteer leadership activities. Terri's diverse volunteer activities have included: Board Chair 2001-2002, Louise Graham Regeneration Center; Board of Directors, Fairmount Elementary and Sawgrass Lake PTA; President of the Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 47, and President and CEO of the Albert Whitted Airport Preservation Society, a non-profit organization dedicated to the enhancement of our City's Airport. In addition to strong community involvement Terri has applied her leadership skills in a number of community events, for example "Purple Stride" (fundraising for pancreatic cancer research) and has led mayoral and state legislative campaigns. Most recently, Terri has focused her efforts towards Albert Whitted Airport and its future operations – bringing a vision to St. Petersburg for using aviation to not only excite young students to pursue science and technology fields but to also use aviation to build business and create jobs in St. Petersburg. Terri's education includes a BA in Early childhood/elementary education from the University of South Florida and she has been the recipient of a number of professional awards throughout her career including the Mayor's "Outstanding Community Volunteer" award in 2009.

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