



OFFICERS CALL

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President's Comments:

I'll start this column with a reminder about the upcoming MOAA annual meeting, to be held in Orlando at the Buena Vista Palace Hotel, 29 Oct-31 Oct. With the deadline for registration extended to 2 Oct, I hope you signed up to attend and support MOAA as it works to defend our hard earned benefits. Also, your attendance at Friday's banquet will help us celebrate and honor our own chapter member, LTC Carol Barkalow, USA (Ret), as she is presented with a MOAA Community Hero Award, one of only three in the nation for 2015. Saturday nights dinner is the Level of Excellence Award dinner, where I will have the honor of accepting MOAA's Five Star Award for 2014 for our chapter.



Hope you have signed up and I look forward to seeing you there.

Mark your calendars for the Pearl Harbor Memorial luncheon on 6 December. Details will follow in next months OC.

Over the past several months, our Help Our Troops (HOT) program has been inactive awaiting a new chair person for that program. I am happy to report that a chapter member has stepped forward and expressed a desire to run with that program. The Executive Committee will formally approve this at its next meeting on 5 October, and I will introduce you to that person after

that meeting.

In the meantime, the HOT program will support Heaven on Earth for Veterans.

Please join us at the October luncheon and hear Pinellas County Sheriff Bob Gualtieri tell us what is going on in our County.

Almost forgot another "mark your calendar" item. Our December luncheon will be our annual Toys for Tots luncheon. Please plan ahead to attend that luncheon and to bring an unwrapped toy for a young boy or girl--or both. Let's fill the truck for this Marine Corps Reserve program.

In the near-term, though, please don't forget the October and November luncheons. Our snow-birds will be returning, so come and help welcome them back to the Sunshine State.

Free Lunch Winners

(With respect to Robert Heinlein and Milton Friedman, there really is a FREE lunch)

New Members:

- Maj Dave Sjolund, USAF (Ret)
- Mrs. Carol Sjolund, AuxMbr-Spouse

KILROY

He is engraved in stone in the National War Memorial in Washington, DC, back in a small alcove where very few people have seen it. For the WWII generation, this will bring back memories. For you younger folks, it's a bit of trivia that is a part of our American history. Anyone born in 1913 to about 1950, is familiar with Kilroy. No one knew why he was so well known, but everybody seemed to get into it.

So who was Kilroy?

In 1946 the American Transit Association, through its radio program, "Speak to America," sponsored a nationwide contest to find the real Kilroy, offering a prize of a real trolley car to the person who could prove himself to be the genuine article. Almost 40 men stepped forward to make that claim, but only James Kilroy from Halifax, Massachusetts, had evidence of his identity. Kilroy' was a 46-year old shipyard worker during the war who worked as a checker at the Fore River Shipyard in Quincy.

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Luncheon Meetings The 3rd Friday — mixer
11:00 - 11:45; luncheon program 11:45 - 13:15;
Pasadena Yacht Club, Gulfport

CALENDAR

- October 16th** Sheriff Bob Gualtieri
- Nov 20th**
- Dec 18th**
- Jan TB** Installation

**** Need a ride to the luncheon?
Call: Lt Col Larry Fernald 522-6237**

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.

- Oct 5th** Monday
- Nov 2nd** Monday
- Dec 9th** Wednesday

MILITARY OFFICERS WIVES' CLUB

Luncheons:

- Next luncheon will be
Tuesday Oct 13th The Club Treasure Island
1130 hours

Luncheon Reservations:

Rose Munchbach, 727-397-4146

Membership Info:

- Fran Chancey 251-9653

Bridge: (3rd Tuesday of the month) **10:30 AM** at The Club Treasure Island

- Reservations or Information: Evelyn Hamilton 399-1272

Chapter Statistics

Total Membership - 227
Regular Members - 150
Auxiliary Members - 54
AuxMbr-Spouse - 23
Inactive Members - 0

Military Services:

Army - 61 USMC - 10
USAF - 40 USCG - 7
Navy - 32 NOAA - 0

9/28/2015

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Minutes

Reported by **Ginni Eichholz**

Monthly Luncheon; 18 September 2015

Attended – 48: (48 reservations), 0 Member Guest, 2 Chapter Guests, 0 Walk in, 0 Cancel, 0 No Shows

The meeting was called to order by President Larry Fernald, at 1145. 1st Vice President Glen Crabb gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all.



The U. S. Air Force birthday was recognized.

President Larry Fernald read a proclamation from President Barack Obama proclaiming 18 September as National POW/MIA Day.

The POW/MIA table was set in the front of the room.

The President introduced prospective new members David and Carol Sjolund and visitors Stan and Ellen Beach.

The door prize was won by Ellen Beach and the 50/50 was split three ways between Barbara King, Jeanie Popham and Fran Shivers.

Announcements: President Larry announced that we need a chairperson to take over the HOT program.

After a break for lunch Glen Crabb introduced our guest speaker Alene Tartar, Director of the Benefits and Assistance Division of the Florida Department of Veteran's Affairs. Ms Tartar gave us a lot of useful information to help deal with VA claims. After a question and answer session Larry present her with the chapter gift.

Glen Crabb gave the benediction after which the meeting was adjourned.

Executive Committee Meeting 7 September 2015

Meeting called to order at 11:30 AM by President Larry Fernald.

Past President Ed Lillich gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Motion made by Bill Eichholz and seconded by Fran Shivers to accept minutes as published.

Minutes approved.

President entertained a motion to accept the Treasurer's report subject to audit, motion by Evey Hanilton seconded by Pete Dawson.

Sherry Freese announced that member Carol Barkalow will receive the Hero Award during Friday's banquet at the National MOAA convention in Orlando.

The Pearl Harbor Memorial will be December 6th. Our chapter will host this event in 2016.

After a discussion regarding cost involved in changing our logo to match the new National logo a motion was made to keep the old logo. Motion by Ginni Eichholz seconded by Ed Lillich.

Speaker for October meeting - Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

Meeting Adjourned at 12:30.

2016 Slate of Officers

In accordance with Section 9 of the Policy Book the Nominating Committee has submitted the following slate of officers for 2015.

- President: **COL Roger E. Popham, USA (Ret)**
- 1st Vice President: **LTC William R Eichholz, USA (Ret)**
- 2nd Vice President: **Mrs Pauline Edwards, AuxMbr-MC**
- Secretary: **Mrs Ginni Eichholz, AuxMbr-Sp**
- Treasurer: **Maj Pete Dawson, USAF (Ret)**

Current Executive Advisory Board 2015 and 2016

CDR Maureen Conners, USN (Ret)

CAPT Peter Gunderson, USNR (Ret)

(replacing LTC William Eichholz running for 1st Vice President)

Mrs Evelyn Hamilton, Aux-Mbr-A

Executive Advisory Board for 2016 and 2017

LTC Frances Chancey, USA(Ret)

LTC Pauline Mallory, USA (Ret)

Capt Paul Williams, USAFR(Ret)

The floor will be opened for additional nominations at the October membership meeting. Nominees from the floor must indicate their willingness to perform the duties of the office to which they are being nominated by so stating at the time of their nomination, or by contacting the President prior to their name being placed in nomination. If evidence of willingness to serve is not available at the time of their nomination, they will not be placed on the ballot.

Ballots will be enclosed in the November newsletter, together with the return address of the Chapter.

Installation Dinner

Date: TBD

Details will be in next months Officers Call.

Discover The Benefits Of Life Membership In MOAA.



Editor's Note

MOAA membership is open to active duty, National Guard, Reserve, retired, and former commissioned officers and warrant officers of the following uniformed services: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

So what is NOAA?

About NOAA Corps

The NOAA Commissioned Officer Corps is one of the seven uniformed services of the United States. The service, currently authorized to a strength of 321 commissioned officers, is an integral part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), an agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The Director of the NOAA Corps is Rear Admiral David A. Score, NOAA. He is also the Director of the Office of Marine and Aviation Operations (OMAO) which operates a wide variety of specialized aircraft and ships to conduct NOAA's environmental and scientific missions.

The NOAA Commissioned Corps traces its roots back to the former Survey of the Coast, established in 1807 by President Thomas Jefferson. The NOAA Corps today provides a cadre of professionals trained in engineering, earth sciences, oceanography, meteorology, fisheries science, and other related disciplines. Officers operate ships, fly aircraft, facilitate research projects, conduct diving operations, and serve in staff positions throughout NOAA.

Our Earth and Our Sky — NOAA Celebrates 45 Years of Service

October 1970. President Richard M. Nixon was on his way to the Middle East when Egyptian President Nassar died. The Pittsburgh Steelers were putting a lot of faith in their new rookie quarterback, Terry Bradshaw. The top grossing movie of the month was *Tora! Tora! Tora!* - and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, a new federal agency to observe, predict and protect our environment, was born.

In a July 1970 statement to Congress, President Nixon proposed creating NOAA to serve a national need "...for better protection of life and property from natural hazards...for a better understanding of the total environment...[and] for exploration and development leading to the intelligent use of our marine resources..." On October 3, NOAA was established under the Department of Commerce.

Forty-Five years later, NOAA still works for America every day. From providing timely and precise weather, water and climate forecasts, to monitoring the environment, to managing fisheries and building healthy coastlines, to making our nation more competitive through safe navigation and examining changes in the oceans, NOAA is on the front lines for America.

In hours of crisis, NOAA employees have been found issuing the tornado warnings that saved hundreds of lives from a deadly

storm, flying into the eyes of hurricanes to gather information about possible landfall, fighting to free three grey whales trapped in the ice, fielding a massive scientific operation on the shores to guide the comeback from an oil spill, and monitoring by satellites the movement of hurricanes and other severe storms, volcanic ash and wildfires that threaten communities.

NOAA is most proud of its people. "The people of NOAA make it a great, great agency!" said D. James Baker, NOAA's seventh administrator. "We cannot accomplish our mission without the creative energies of all people who bring with them different approaches, solutions, and innovations."

19th Century Beginnings

Separate pieces, each with a rich history, joined together to make NOAA the original whole earth agency. In fact, many of NOAA's components have 19th century origins.

NOAA's charting piece, which evolved into the National Ocean Service (NOS), began at the turn of the 19th century when President Thomas Jefferson, a true NOAA pioneer, established the first science agency of the United States: the Survey of the Coast. The Survey of the Coast changed its name to the Coast and Geodetic Survey in 1878 to reflect the role of geodesy. Today NOS still helps people find their position on the planet by managing the National Geodetic Survey (NGS), which specifies latitude, longitude, height, scale, gravity, and orientation throughout the nation. Aviation safety, in particular the orientation of runways, depends on this system. When the Washington Monument was covered in scaffolding for renovations in 1999, NGS surveyors confirmed the height and stability of the structure. NOS has been a leader in the introduction of electronic nautical charts which, together with GPS, has enhanced the safety and efficiency of navigation on the nation's waterways.

More than a century later NOS has evolved into the nation's principal advocate for coastal and ocean stewardship. As the trustee for 12 marine protected areas, NOAA protects National Marine Sanctuaries, which are akin to national underwater parks. Each sanctuary has a unique goal. While one may protect the breeding ground of humpback whales, for example, another preserves the remains of historical shipwrecks, and still another protects thriving coral reef colonies. Through the sanctuary program, a growing number of partners and volunteers embrace NOAA's ocean ethic—to preserve, protect and respect our nation's marine environment.

Environmental Data and Satellite Images

Before the Revolutionary War, Thomas Jefferson acted as an unofficial weather bureau, collecting records from such distant points as Quebec and from as far west as the Mississippi. Perhaps Jefferson's data collection work inspired the Surgeon General of the Army to order hospital surgeons during the War of 1812 to take observations and keep climatological records!

Today, NOAA's cooperative weather observers, comprising a network of more than 10,000 National Weather Service (NWS)

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MOAA Legislative Update

Edited by **Jim Patton**

From MOAA and other sources

What Will it Take to Fix the VA?

September 25, 2015

For the first time in a generation, a congressionally mandated commission will meet to address the future of VA health care. After news broke of the VA Phoenix medical center scandal last spring, MOAA wrote a letter to the president and leaders of the House and Senate veterans' affairs committees to say bureaucratic red tape and gross inefficiencies preventing veterans from accessing care required immediate attention. MOAA called for an independent, bipartisan commission made up of leading public and private experts on health care to examine the 21st century of VA health care. Lawmakers heard our message and passed the Veterans Choice Act, which established the VA Commission on Care. Former MOAA Board of Directors member RADM Joyce Johnson, USPHS (Ret) was one of the presidential appointees to the commission. Lawmakers also called for an independent study to look at the delivery systems and management processes of the VA Health Administration (VHA), in order to provide a holistic view of the system and its relationship within the VA. According to the group's findings, and statements by top leaders in VA, simply buying more care through civilian health provider networks won't fix the VHA. Three main themes emerged from the Commission's first meeting: It will take time "The kind of transformational change necessary will be a herculean task that requires sustained commitment," said Cdr. Rene Campos, USN (Ret), MOAA Deputy Director of Government Relations. "Cultural change is needed at all levels in the VA. This will take years to achieve." It will take vision An integrated system-wide approach that recognizes VHA's role within both the VA and the broader American health care system is needed. This will require top talent to manage both the current and future needs of veterans. It will take change The report found that "Leaders are not fully empowered due to a lack of clear authority, priorities, and roles; they work in a culture of growing risk aversion and distrust." This leads to a disconnect in both operations and execution. By empowering leaders and providing a shared sense of urgency, VHA can create a patient-centric culture and a transparent, data-driven management system. The last major review of VA health care delivery was conducted in the 1990s. It established benchmarks and metrics on the quality of care. It also shed light on other issues such as the disability claims backlog. That study's findings helped the VA lower wait times and cut annual operating costs, while treating more patients and providing higher patient satisfaction. MOAA looks forward to working with members of the commission, Congress, and the administration to advance the commission's goals. It's vital that we forge a roadmap to reform VA health care to



ensure world-class access and care to our nation's veterans and their family members.

What Are the Odds of a Fiscal Train Wreck?

Following the surprise announcement by House Speaker John Boehner (R-Ohio) that he will resign at the end of next month, lawmakers threatening a government shutdown agreed to a funding proposal to keep the government running – for now.

"The commitment has been made that there will be no shutdown," said Rep. John Fleming (R-La.).

House and Senate leaders now seem poised to agree on a "clean" temporary continuing resolution (CR) next week that would keep the government running until Dec. 11. It would simply continue funding at current-year levels, with no controversial amendments.

But the short-term CR is only the tip of the political iceberg looming ahead.

To start with, no one knows if the post-Boehner House leadership will take an even harder line on budget issues.

In the Senate, Republicans still have differences over the way forward. Some think there could be another short- or long-term CR after Dec. 11. But Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz), Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, says he won't vote for any more continuing resolutions because that would hurt national defense.

Behind the scenes, there is talk of a "grand bargain" to raise budget caps and end sequestration, which has been a major sore spot for the entire government, especially defense, since 2011. Sequestration prevents responsible planning and budgeting. But any grand bargain also will be highly controversial, and the roiling of House leadership only adds to the uncertainty.

If that weren't enough, Congress must act on several more contentious bills before Christmas, including:

The annual defense bill

A massive highway bill to make emergency infrastructure improvements

A bill to extend important expiring tax breaks

Legislation to raise the federal debt ceiling and avoid national default

The key question: Can Congress overcome politics long enough to avoid a fiscal train wreck in December?

COLA Watch

With one month to go, the chances of a positive FY 2016 COLA look slim. If there is no growth in CPI, annuitants will not receive an annual COLA. Retirees did not receive COLAs in 2009 and 2010.

Note: Military retiree COLA is calculated based on the CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W), not the overall CPI.



Glen Crabb delivering invocation



Guest Speaker Alene Tartar



President Larry Fernald presenting guest speaker with chapter gift



President Larry and Barb Fernald



Pauline Edwards with Door Prize winner Ellen Beach



Rose Munchbach and 50/50 winner Barbara King



Rose Munchbach and 50/50 winner Jeanie Popham



50/50 winner Fran Shivers with Rose Munchbach



New members Carol and David Sjordland



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Buck Williams



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Fran Chancey and Ginni Eichholz



Maureen Conners and JoAnne Taylor



Visitors Ellen and Stan Beach



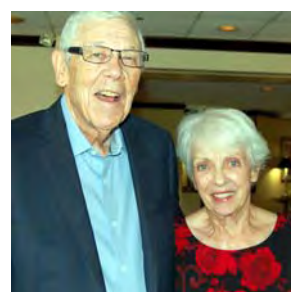
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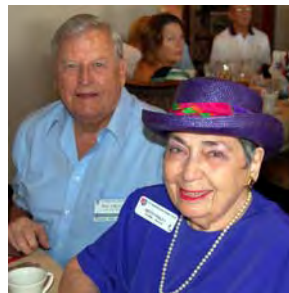




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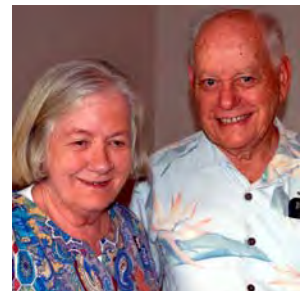
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Barbara and Jim King



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Past President Terry Carr and newsletter editor Jim Patton



Attendees



Fran Shivers

Photos by Bill Lofgren



POW/MIA Salute



POW/MIA Table

Photos

If you would like a copy of your monthly luncheon photo taken by Bill Lofgren, please notify him of your correct email address at the following email address: papabill77@outlook.com



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volunteers across the country, continue the tradition of taking daily weather measurements that become part of our climate records. These records, along with other records from the NWS, U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force, the Federal Aviation Administration, and meteorological services around the world, are housed at the National Climatic Data Center in Asheville, N.C. The center, the largest active archive of climate data in the world, is part of NOAA's National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS). In addition to the climate center, NESDIS also operates the National Geophysical Data Center in Boulder, Colo., and the National Oceanographic Data Center in Silver Spring, Md. Scientists from around the world use data from these centers to study our environment.

NOAA's satellite operations grew out of the space program and the desire to study our earth from a vantage point high in the sky. As NOAA entered its 30th year, its satellite program celebrated the 40th anniversary of Tiros-1, the first weather satellite. In the past 40 years, NOAA's satellites have evolved from weather satellites to environmental satellites. Data are used for applications related to the oceans, coastal regions, agriculture, detection of forest fires, detection of volcanic ash, monitoring the ozone hole over the South Pole, and the space environment.

From Weather Bureau to Weather Service

When Congress transferred weather services from the Army to the new Department of Agriculture in 1890, the Weather Bureau, a new civilian weather service and ancestor of NOAA's NWS, was born. By the end of the century the Weather Bureau published its first Washington, D.C., weather map (1895), established the first hurricane warning service (1896) and began regular kite observations (1898). Today's NWS uses complex technologies such as weather satellites, Doppler radar, automated surface observing systems, sophisticated computer models, high-speed communications systems, flying meteorological platforms, and a highly-trained and skilled workforce to issue more than 734,000 weather and 850,000 river and flood forecasts, and between 45,000 and 50,000 potentially life-saving severe weather warnings annually. Last summer, the weather service deployed the Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System, the final piece of technology in a \$4.5 billion modernization program to improve climate, water, and weather products and services that help protect life and property and enhance the economy. One estimate is that the NWS's highly accurate long-range predictions for the 1997-98 El Niño episode, helped California avert about \$1 billion in losses.

NWS data is a national resource. Government agencies, private companies, the media, universities and the public all use NWS data.

Protecting Fisheries and Marine Mammals

The fishing industry has been important to the United States since its earliest days. NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Ser-

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Patton, Jim CWO4
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Sims, Bob Maj
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Warren, David LTC

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Lee, Bill LCDR
Schlager, Fred CWO4

Member donations ONLY:
\$ 2,254 as of 9/28/2015





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Thankfully, no one.



Welcome Our New Members!

- ◆ **Sjolund, David C., Maj, USAF (Ret) (Carol)**
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33707, 727-343-1429
- ◆ **Sjolund, Carol F., Mrs, AuxMbr-Spouse (Dave)**
6202 Fairway Bay Blvd So., St Petersburg, FL 33707, 727-343-1429

**Every member get a new member
and get a free lunch!**

Sick List

Your cards, prayers, and thoughts are welcome.
(Contact **Mrs. Virginia Balke, 544-3598**)

- ◆ **Lt Col John Milford, USAF (Ret)**
- ◆ **Col Mildred “Gene” Butler, USAF Ret)**
- ◆ **CWO4 Basil Burrell, USCG (Ret)**
- ◆ **Mrs. Bobbie Walters, AuxMbr-A**

Financial Report Summary for the Month of August

HOT Fund

.... Balance, Beginning of Month	\$ 5,564.62
.... Donations	\$ 0.00
.... 50/50	\$ 0.00
.... Expenses	\$ 0.00
.... HOT Balance, End of Month	\$ 5,564.62

Scholarship Fund

.... Balance, Beginning of Month	\$ 882.00
.... Memorials	\$ 100.00
.... Expended	\$ 0.00
..... Balance, End of Month	\$ 982.00

Operating Account

.... Balance, Beginning of Month	\$ 3,301.04
.... Luncheon Income	\$ 726.00
.... Dues	\$ 0.00
.... Misc Income	\$ 0.00
.... Interest Earned	\$ 0.67
.... Luncheon Expense	\$ (765.00)
.... Supplies	\$ (38.52)
.... Post Office	\$ 0.00
.... Honraria/donations	\$ 0.00
.... Other Organizations	\$ 0.00
.... Memorial to Scholarship	\$ (100.00)
.... Printing/mailing	\$ 0.00
.... Newsletter Costs	\$ (418.16)
.... VA/JROTC	\$ 0.00
..... Balance, End of Month	\$ 2,706.03

October Birthdays (64 to 93 years)

<u>Day</u>	<u>LName</u>	<u>FName</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>SVC</u>
23	Balkel	Virginia	Mrs.	AuxMbr-A
14	Bell	James	Col	USMC (Ret)
05	Bischofs	Henriette	Mrs.	AuxMbr-AF
25	Broderick	Thomas	Lt Col	USAF (Ret)
17	Brown	Dorothy	Mrs.	AuxMbr-Spouse
16	Brown	George	COL	USA (Ret)
22	Cliff	Gloria	Mrs.	AuxMbr-AF
11	Dunn	George	COL	USA (Ret)
04	Finley	J. Paul	LCDR	USN (Ret)
24	MacPherson	Robert	Maj	USAF (Ret)
22	Simon	June	Mrs.	AuxMbr-A
13	Terry	Maxine	Mrs.	AuxMbr-A
29	Trahan	Creighton	LTC	USA (Ret)
16	Warren	David	LTC	USA (Ret)
30	Waugh	Frances	Mrs.	AuxMbr-A
28	Westman	Jack	LT	USNR (Fmr)



October

- 5: World Teacher Day
- 12: Columbus Day
- 18: Puerto Rico became a colony 1898
- 25: Mother-in-Law's Day
- 28: Statue of Liberty dedicated 1886
- 29-31: MOAA National Convention, Orlando
- 31: Halloween

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Father Murphy walked into a pub and said to the first Marine he met, "Do you want to go to heaven?" The Marine said, "I do Father." The priest said, "Leave this pub right now!" He then approached a second Marine. "Do you want to go to heaven?" "Certainly, Father," was the Marine's reply. "Then leave this den of Satan!" said the priest. Father Murphy then walked up to an old SgtMaj and asked, "Do you want to go to heaven?" The SgtMaj replied: "No, I don't Father." The priest looked him right in the eye and said, "You mean to tell me that when you die you don't want to go to heaven?" The SgtMaj smiled, "Oh, when I die! Why...yes Father. Shoot, I thought you were getting a working party together to go right now!"

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NOAA from Page 8

vice, or NOAA Fisheries, is the direct descendant of the U. S. Commission of Fish and Fisheries, the nation's first federal conservation agency, initiated in 1871 to protect, study, manage and restore fish. Woods Hole, Mass., became home to the first marine fisheries research lab and is still home to one of NOAA's five fisheries science centers.

More than a century later, NOAA Fisheries' is committed to taking a rational, scientific approach to the difficult, contentious issues of living marine resource management. As stewards, NOAA Fisheries manages for the sustainable use of living marine resources, striving to balance

competing public needs and interests in the use and enjoyment of those resources while preserving their biological integrity. Two recent examples include international and domestic actions to rebuild swordfish stocks, working with both industry and conservationists; and developing an innovative, long-term strategy for restoring threatened and endangered salmon in the Pacific Northwest.

NOAA Research

In 1882 the U.S.S. Albatross, the first government research vessel built exclusively for fisheries and oceanographic research, launched both a future for NOAA's research programs and a fleet of research vessels. Today, the scientists of NOAA's Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), along with their university partners, work to better understand the world in which we live. OAR is where much of the work is done that results in better weather forecasts, longer warning lead times for natural disasters, new products from the sea, and a greater understanding of our climate, atmosphere and oceans. NOAA research is done not only in what many would consider traditional laboratories, but also aboard ships, aloft in planes, and beneath the sea in the world's only undersea habitat. NOAA research tools can be as high-tech as supercomputers or as basic as rain gauges. Officers of the NOAA Corps, the smallest of the seven uniformed services of the United States, operate NOAA's fleet of research vessels and aircraft.

Legacy Continues

NOAA 30th birthday celebrations began in January at the 80th AMS Annual Meeting in Long Beach, Calif., and have continued throughout the year. From 19th century beginnings to 30 years as a Federal agency, NOAA has evolved into a science agency with conservation management and regulatory responsibilities. The agency looks forward to the challenges ahead while continuing to observe, monitor, and collect information about our world in a quest to both protect the environment and improve the human condition.

"As NOAA celebrates its 30th anniversary, we are thinking globally, providing the sound science and service essential to measuring, managing, and solving many of the nation's and the world's difficult environmental challenges. The choices made by society and our agency today will profoundly shape America's economic and environmental future," said Baker.

Kilroy from Page 1

His job was to go around and check on the number of rivets completed. Riveters were on piecework and got paid by the rivet. He would count a block of rivets and put a check mark in semi-waxed lumber chalk, so the rivets wouldn't be counted twice. When Kilroy went off duty, the riveters would erase the mark. Later on, an off-shift inspector would come through and count the rivets a second time, resulting in double pay for the riveters.

One day Kilroy's boss called him into his office. The foreman was upset about all the wages being paid to riveters, and asked him to investigate. It was then he realized what had been going on. The tight spaces he had to crawl in to check the rivets didn't lend themselves to lugging around a paint can and brush, so Kilroy decided to stick with the waxy chalk. He continued to put his check mark on each job he inspected, but added 'KILROY WAS HERE' in king-sized letters next to the check, and eventually added the sketch of the chap with the long nose peering over the fence and that became part of the Kilroy message. Once he did that, the riveters stopped trying to wipe away his marks. Ordinarily the rivets and chalk marks would have been covered up with paint. With the war on, however, ships were leaving the Quincy Yard so fast that there wasn't time to paint them. As a result, Kilroy's inspection "trademark" was seen by thousands of servicemen who boarded the troopships the yard produced. His message apparently rang a bell with the servicemen, because they picked it up and spread it all over Europe and the South Pacific. Before war's end, "Kilroy" had been here, there, and everywhere on the long hauls to Berlin and Tokyo. To the troops outbound in those ships, however, he was a complete mystery; all they knew for sure was that someone named Kilroy had "been there first." As a joke, U.S. servicemen began placing the graffiti wherever they landed, claiming it was already there when they arrived.

Kilroy became the U.S. super-GI who had always "already been" wherever GIs went. It became a challenge to place the logo in the most unlikely places imaginable it is said to be atop Mt. Everest, the Statue of Liberty, the underside of the Arc de Triomphe, and even scrawled in the dust on the moon. As the war went on, the legend grew. Underwater demolition teams routinely sneaked ashore on Japanese-held Islands in the Pacific to map the terrain for coming invasions by U.S. troops (and thus, presumably, were the first GIs there). On one occasion, however, they reported seeing enemy troops painting over the Kilroy logo! In 1945, an outhouse was built for the exclusive use of Roosevelt, Stalin, and Churchill at the Potsdam conference. Its' first occupant was Stalin, who emerged and asked his aide (in Russian), "Who is Kilroy?"

To help prove his authenticity in 1946, James Kilroy brought along officials from the shipyard and some of the riveters. He won the trolley car, which he gave to his nine children as a Christmas gift and set it up as a playhouse in the Kilroy yard in Halifax, Massachusetts.

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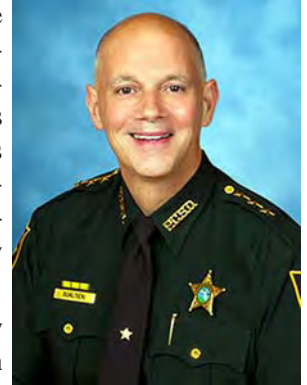
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Guest Speakers:

**Bob Gaultieri
Pinellas County Sheriff**

Bob Gaultieri has been the Pinellas County Sheriff since November 2011. Sheriff Gaultieri began his career with the Sheriff's Office over 30 years ago and has served in many different capacities, including the agency's General Counsel and the Chief Deputy (second in command).



Sheriff Gaultieri began his law enforcement career in 1982 when he joined the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office as a detention deputy working in the County Jail. He then worked for the Dunedin Police Department as a police officer before returning to the Sheriff's Office as a patrol deputy. During his career, Sheriff Gaultieri also served in the Investigative Operations and Narcotics Bureaus where he conducted complex international drug trafficking and money laundering investigations for eight years while serving on federal taskforces. In 1991 he was named Pinellas County Deputy Sheriff of the Year for his efforts in dismantling major drug trafficking organizations through the use of electronic surveillance.

Sheriff Gaultieri earned a Bachelor's degree with high honors from Eckerd College. In 1998 he left the Sheriff's Office to attend Stetson University College of Law, from which he graduated cum laude. After graduating from law school Sheriff Gaultieri entered private law practice with a firm in Tampa where he represented employers in labor and employment law litigation.

Sheriff Gaultieri returned to the Sheriff's Office in 2006, serving as General Counsel and Chief Deputy until becoming Sheriff in 2011. During the economic downturn between 2009 and 2013 Sheriff Gaultieri oversaw a reduction in the Sheriff's Office budget of \$108 million and the elimination of over 600 positions. During that same period the Sheriff's Office reduced crime in its service area by over 20%.

Sheriff Gaultieri is an active member of Florida and national organizations that effect law enforcement policy, including the Florida Sheriff's Association, National Sheriff's Association, Major County Sheriff's Association, Police Executive Research Forum, and the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Sheriff Gaultieri is admitted to practice law in all Florida courts, the United States District Courts for the Northern, Middle, and Southern Districts of Florida, as well as the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Sheriff Gaultieri is a member of the Florida Bar Association, American Bar Association, and the Federal Bar Association.

Sheriff Gaultieri is married with three daughters and has lived in Pinellas County for 35 years.

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