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Fort Campbell Chapter

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Next General Membership Meeting

The Next Meeting is set for
Saturday, November 19, 2011, at the Sportsman's Lodge
Fort Campbell, KY 42223

Guest Speaker:
Yet to be determined and/or Confirmed

Assemble - Meet at 12:00 PM,
Start meal at 12:30 PM
Meal: Family Style
Cost Per Person: \$14.00 including gratuity

There will be an election of officers and a vote on a change to the Constitution and by-laws and the annual reports.

Please plan to attend.

RSVP: Please call in your reservations: NLT Wednesday, November 16, 2011

KY: [CDR Neldon Whitty \(270\) 886-6229 \(envyuu87@hesenergy.net\)](mailto:envyuu87@hesenergy.net)

TN: [LTC Dave Marr \(931\) 358-0101 \(cdjjmarr@att.net\)](mailto:cdjjmarr@att.net)

Chapter Policy and Leadership

Chapter Policy

When reservations are made for Chapter meetings, commitments are made to the restaurant/meeting place to pay for the number of reservations reported.

If you make a reservation and then later determine you cannot attend, *please* call your reservation chairperson as soon as possible. If you are unable to give sufficient notice of your cancellation, please send a check for the appropriate amount to P.O. Box 3569, Clarksville, TN 37043-3569.

Officers & Executive Committee and Duties:

CW4 Howard French, USA Ret -President
MAJ Bob Posley Ret USA-Ret. 1st Vice President (Programs)
CAPT Eldon G. Pontius, USMC-Ret-2nd Vice President (Membership)
CDR Neldon Whitty USN-Ret Secretary
LTC Dave Marr USA-Ret Treasurer, (Scholarship Committee)
COL Mark Kelly, USA-Ret (Immediate Past President)
MAJ Lewis Baggett, USA-Ret (Legislative Chairman)(Newsletter)(Scholarship Committee)
LTC Charles Currie (Chaplain) USA-Ret (Personal Affairs Officers)
1LT Lisa R. Boyd, (Historian)
MS Ginger Merritt, (Auxiliary Coordinator)
Col. Jeff Yaeger, (Chairman, Scholarship Committee),
CW4 Warren Evans, (Chairman - Directory Committee)



Our Guest Speaker was Clarksville Mayor Kim McMillan. She was warmly received and delivered an informative address about what she sees in the future for Clarksville and Fort Campbell. She graciously answered a number of questions from member. The meeting very enjoyable and we appreciate our guest for agreeing to attend.

Who Can Join? - You can. We invite Active Duty, Guard or Reserve Officers, Warrant Officers or Retired or Former Officers or Warrant Officers interested in the support of the Military Mission and Support of those soldiers protecting our nation. You may apply as much effort as you like to make a difference in the issues and topics on which we focus our efforts.

Benefits of Joining

There are several benefits to becoming a member of our organization. Our members are close friends and we have a great time when we get together. Of course we also have a common interest, and we hope to further our cause.

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Tentative Future Activities



The October luncheon was enjoyable fellowship and very informative.

If we can be of assistance or if anyone is sick or under the weather call Chaplain Charles Currie (Personal Affairs). The phone number is 931-645-2149 so that you can be put on the prayer list. We will try to arrange visitation if you are sick or hospitalized.

We wish all of our sick a speedy recovery.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Our credit union account balances as of October 20, 2011 are:

Shares	\$ 55.28
General Fund	4,416.35
Scholarship Fund	854.60
Certificates	2040.55
Total	<u>\$ 7,366.78</u>

Dave Marr, Treasurer
(931) 358-0101
cdjimarr@att.net

The November Meeting is scheduled for Saturday November 19, 2011

The December Chapter Meeting will be the Christmas activities.

The January 21, 2012 Meeting will be at the Catfish House in Clarksville,

Time for Grassroots Support

These days, there's a lot of talk about changing our earned benefits – and not for the better. It's time to push back. Providing grassroots support for MOAA's legislative goals has long been an important goal for chapter members. And chapter members' support has played a big part in many of MOAA's legislative wins during the last 10 years.

More importantly, stay informed. Read MOAA's weekly Legislative Update. Many of you do that right now. If you don't, [sign up online](#).

Col. Lee Lange II, USMC-Ret.
Director, MOAA Council and Chapter Affairs Department

President's Comment



The October Chapter meeting was held at Cole Park Commons. Clarksville mayor Kim McMillan was the guest speaker. Mayor McMillan gave an excellent presentation on the future of Clarksville followed by a question and answer session.

news was not good but was not bleak for those of us already retired and drawing a retirement check. However, that is not the case for those future retiree's who will most likely be faced with a completely different retirement system.

The Tennessee State Council MOAA held its' convention at Arnold Air Force base in October. Seven members of our Chapter attended. We had a very good time. AAFB is certainly a very nice place and well worth a visit. There were several guest speakers at the convention. All were very interesting. The two speakers that gave presentations on subjects that directly affected the membership were Col. Mike Hayden, Deputy Director, Government Relations, MOAA and Congressman Jim Cooper. Both spoke about the upcoming budget cuts and how those cuts may affect the membership. Of course,

This will be the last newsletter for this year. The Chapter has accomplished several good things this year. The Chapter is now tax exempt (Federal and State). Thanks to Dave Marr. The Chapter established a national scholarship that will benefit many future college students. Thanks to Jeff Yeager. The Chapter donated funds for a high school graduate to attend APSU's ROTC program as well as donated funds to several charitable organizations.

November 11th is Veterans Day. Thanks to all the veterans for their service. The Chapter will be represented in the Hopkinsville and Clarksville Veterans parade on the 5th of November. Come on out and watch the parade.

Clara and I want to wish all a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a very Happy New Year.

Executive Committee Meeting



Joint the Team. We Always enjoy the Companionship.

The date and time of the next Executive Committee meeting will be at Cole Park Commons at Ft. Campbell, KY.

We are generally scheduled to meet on the first Friday after each General Membership meeting. We will meet at 11:30 AM. All association members interested are invited to attend if they would like.

Activities If you have any suggestions or recommendations for meetings or meeting locations please contact the programs chairman– Major Bob Posley (Programs).

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT: On November 19, the membership will vote on an amendment to our constitution making the secretary an elected (not appointed) officer.

Also on the 19th we will elect new Chapter Officers.

Note To Members: Please report changes of e-mail addresses to the Treasurer at cdjimarr@att.net. If you received this newsletter by regular mail and have an e-mail address please report it by e-mail to [**LTC Dave Marr \(931\) 358-0101 \(cdjimarr@att.net\)**](mailto:LTC Dave Marr (931) 358-0101 (cdjimarr@att.net))

**FORT CAMPBELL CHAPTER
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA**

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	September 30, 2011	EIN: 27-2257159
ASSETS		
Shares		\$55.23
General Fund		4,590.07
Scholarship Fund		854.60
Certificates of Deposit		
2,040.55		
Property/Equipment		
850.00		
Prepaid Dues		228.00
Prepaid Luncheon Expenses		150.00
Prepaid Mailings		54.00
Prepaid Memberships		
50.80		
Prepaid Printing/copying		373.00
Prepaid Postage		16.00
Prepaid Supplies		102.72
Accounts Receivable		
\$48.00		
TOTAL ASSETS		
\$9,412.97		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable		0
FUND BALANCES	\$9,412.97	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		\$9,412.97

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
July-August-September, 2011 EIN 27-2257-159

	Current	Year-to-date
INCOME		
Contributions/Gifts	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Directories	0.00	100.00
\$250 Club	750.00	4,500.00
Dues	0.00	1,616.00
Luncheons	908.00	3,398.00
Raffles (Half/Half)	221.00	613.00
Interest	36.52	149.77
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,915.57	\$11,376.77
EXPENSE		
Contributions	\$0.00	\$1,200.00
Scholarships	20,000.00	21,000.00
Luncheons (Meals)	799.84	3,096.16
Luncheons (Expenses)	0.00	50.00
Directories	0.00	2,080.15
Memberships	46.80	140.40
Mailings	165.00	422.70
Printing/Copying	176.00	612.45
Postage	44.00	148.56
Sales Tax	9.71	277.71
Supplies	51.35	95.72
Honoraria	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	10.00	117.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$21,302.70	\$29,240.85
TOTAL EXPENSE OVER INCOME	(\$19,387.13)	(\$17,864.08)

Legislative Affairs (MOAA Legislative Update)

Senate Leaders Open Door for Cuts

Last week's update included summaries of recommendations from House Armed Services Committee Chairman Rep. "Buck" McKeon (R-CA) and Senate Armed Services Committee Ranking Member Sen. John McCain (R-AZ) to the co-called "Super Committee" that must identify \$1.2 trillion in budget savings before Thanksgiving.

We since have received a copy of Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman Sen. Carl Levin's (D-MI) letter to the Super Committee. Levin's letter, like McCain's, supported White House proposals aimed at making military benefits more like civilians', by imposing a significant enrollment fee for TRICARE For Life, raising TRICARE pharmacy copays as high as \$40, and convening a commission to curtail the value of the military retirement system. Levin went a step further, saying, "I support the President's proposals, and....suggest that the scope of the commission be expanded to encompass all aspects of military compensation, including the current system of basic pay, allowances (including the housing allowance), special and incentive pays, and health care, as well as the tax treatment of the various components of military pay." Like McCain, Levin said that the current force should be grandfathered against retirement changes. He also said that future increases in the TFL enrollment fee should be tied to whatever index is used to increase the TRICARE Prime enrollment fee. MOAA is shocked and dismayed that the leaders of the Senate Armed Services Committee, in contrast to the inputs from the House Armed Services Committee, have embraced initiatives whose stated purpose is to reduce the difference between military and civilian benefits.

The past decade of war has underlined more than ever that military service is radically different from civilian work experience, and the military retirement and healthcare package is the primary career incentive for top-quality people to endure those extraordinary sacrifices for 20-30 years.

We're pleased that House Armed Services Committee Chairman Howard "Buck" McKeon's letter to the Super Committee spent two pages expressing similar concerns about the longer-term dangers of undermining this core career incentive package. MOAA President VADM Norb Ryan's (USN-Ret) October 20 letter (PDF) to the 12 members of the Super Committee re-emphasized the importance of the McKeon inputs.

[MOAA Legislative Update \[legis@moaa.org\]](http://legis@moaa.org)

It's time for chapter members to push back. Provide grassroots support for MOAA's legislative goals is a must if the rights of those that serve or have served are to be protected.

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"Our oath ends when
The Constitution dies,
and not before." LEB

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Our Mission

Our mission is to further promote the interests of our organization and our members to the community. We strive to make a difference by educating the public and expanding MOAA's reach.

Organization Purpose

The purposes of the Chapter shall be to promote the purposes and objectives of the Military Officers Association of America; foster fraternal relations among retired, active and former officers of the uniformed services and their National Guard or Reserve components; protect the rights and interests of active duty, retired, Reserve and National Guard personnel of the uniformed services and their dependents and survivors; provide useful services for members and their dependents and survivors; and serve the community and the nation.



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Fort Campbell Chapter, MOAA
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Name _____ Date _____

Rank _____ Service Branch _____

National MOAA No. _____

(From your MOAA Magazine address label)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail Address _____

Telephone (____) _____

Spouse's Name _____

Name _____

CHAPTER DUES: \$12.00 per calendar year
(New members receive one year free local membership.)