



## The Next Meeting and Christmas Party Will Be on Saturday, 12 December

Assemble at 1130; meal at 1200

at the

### Clarksville Association of Realtors Center Pointe Hall

115 Center Pointe Dr., Clarksville

GPS: 36° 34.182' N 87° 18.416' W

### Master of Ceremonies: Dirty Santa

(See Page 3 for Dirty Santa's Rules)

**Directions from Clarksville:** Follow College St/Wilma Rudolph Blvd northeast. 1.5 miles after crossing Dunbar Cave Rd (Co-op), turn left onto Center Pointe Drive.

**Directions from Hopkinsville:** Follow I-24 to TN-Exit 4. Turn right onto and follow Wilma Rudolph Blvd. for 2.4 miles; turn right onto Center Pointe Drive.

**Directions from Ft. Campbell:** Follow 101st Abn. Div. Pkwy for 6.8 miles to Wilma Rudolph Blvd. Turn right onto and follow Wilma Rudolph Blvd for 0.1 miles. Turn right onto Center Pointe Drive

**Center Pointe Hall** will be about 0.1 mile on your right (it's next to the Social Security Administration).



**Menu:** Buffet (catered by Margie Crain): Roast Turkey with Dressing; Baked Ham; Mashed potatoes with gravy; buttered Corn; Green beans; Garden Salad with dressing; Rolls & Butter; Cobbler and ice cream; Coffee, Iced Tea, and water.

**Cost:** \$18 Per person, gratuity included.

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### Sick or hospitalized?

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#### Chaplain Eddie Sumbler

[Chair, Personal Affairs Committee]

931-216-7504

to be placed on the Prayer List and/or arrange for a visitation when appropriate

### Editorial Policy

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### IMPORTANT: R.S.V.P. As Soon As You Can; NLT NOON on Monday, 7 December

Please use the form on the website: <http://ftcky-moaa.org/Reservations.php> or contact

KY: Freida Borlund: [freidaborlund@hotmail.com](mailto:freidaborlund@hotmail.com) TN: CW2 Warren&Nancy Evans: [evansmoaa@gmail.com](mailto:evansmoaa@gmail.com)  
(Temporary for December) 931-647-0314 931-647-5808

Please don't wait to be called; be proactive, and help them out

### Chapter Policy on Luncheon Reservations

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.

## PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS



President Tom Borlund

The November meeting introduced those in attendance to the *Montgomery County Veterans Coalition* and the driving force behind it, Executive Director Sherry **Pickering**, now an Honorary Member of our Chapter. It also introduced her friend and ally in the Coalition, MAJ Vivian **Fivecoat**, now our Chapter Liaison to the Coalition and Chapter Secretary-elect. (See Previous Meeting Highlights in this Newsletter.)

These two ladies recently sat down with two Tennessee Legislators who are also members of our Chapter, Senator Mark **Green** and Representative Jay **Reedy**, and what emerged was a concept for bringing veterans from the Clarksville/Montgomery County area to the Capitol in Nashville to visit their Legislators and see democracy in action--a "Veterans Day on the Hill." Senator **Green** was asked what would be a good day for this event, and he gave them March 9th, 2016--they had a target date.

### Officers and Committees

**President:** COL Tom Borlund, USA (Ret).

**1st Vice President:** (Acting) CDR Ivan Adames, USN (Ret).

**2nd Vice President:** CDR Ivan Adames, USN (Ret)

**Secretary:** (Acting) Freida Borlund

**Treasurer:** LTC Dave Marr USA (Ret)

**Personal Affairs & Chaplain:** CPT Eddie Sumbler, USA (Ret)

**Surviving Spouse Liaison:** Mrs Nancy Evans

**Historian:** 1LT Lisa Boyd, USA (Ret)

**Legislative:** KY: Col Rich Stevenson, USAF (Ret)

**Chairs:** TN: Maj Bill Summers, USAF (Ret) →

**ROTC Liaison:** LTC James Huggins, USA (Ret)

**Veterans Coalition Liaison:** MAJ Vivian Fivecoat, USA (Ret)

**Newsletter and Webmaster:** LtCol J.T. Smith, USAF (Ret)

**Scholarship Committee:** COL Jeff Yaeger, (Chn), COL Natalie Shriver, LTC Dave Marr, & CW4 Howard French

**Directory Committee:** CW2 Warren Evans (Chn)

**Recruiting Team:** CW4 Howard French, MAJ Bob Posley, & Capt Eldon Pontius



Vivian **Fivecoat** began negotiating for commercial bus transportation and cafeteria arrangements. It was a promising start for a truly grass-roots initiative, but they could use some help. Fortunately we have just the person they need in Maj Bill **Summers**, our Legislative Chair for Tennessee, with a political background and an eagerness to help.

Just getting approval for such an event will be difficult enough, but time is already a factor, and it appears that what began as a local-area event should really be statewide. There is no problem locally with Legislator support for veterans issues, but it is a problem throughout the rest of Tennessee. If the event were open to veterans statewide, CW4 Howard **French** could use his position on the Tennessee Council of Chapters to bring in groups from most of the chapters. And what began as a local, grass-roots initiative could take on a life of its own.

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee met at noon on Tuesday, 24 November at Cole Park Commons.. The major topics discussed were:

Scheduling the Kandahar Room and the Montgomery County Public Library for future meetings.

Needed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws

Approval of a new Chapter brochure and the format for Certificates of Honorary Membership.

LTC **Marr** received paperwork to attend a webinar for treasurers on changes that include methods of paying dues.

Maj Bill **Summers** will make a short presentation at the January meeting concerning the new Legislation section on the Chapter web page.

In response to a request from Wreaths Across America for the Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West, the Committee voted unanimously to send a donation of \$105 for seven wreaths.

## \$250 Club: Help Us Endow Another National MOAA Scholarship

### Important: These National Scholarships go to Local Recipients!

To join the Club make a contribution of \$250 (or more).\*

Contact any Chapter officer or mail a check--payable to "MOAA"--to Fort Campbell MOAA, P.O. Box 3569, Clarksville, TN 37043-3569

\$20,337

\$25,000

**Current Progress**

**Only 19 more**

\* If you are unable to join the \$250 Club, donations of any amount will help us reach this scholarship goal.

## DIRTY SANTA'S RULES

Each participating member (or couple) brings a wrapped gift, cost not to exceed \$25. Depending on desire, this can be one gift per couple or one gift per person. Gifts may include liquor, lottery tickets, Gift Cards, Christmas-themed items, or any other suitable Christmas present!

Anyone who brings a gift will be allowed to participate, either individually or as a couple. All participants (individual or couple) will draw a number to determine the order of gift selection. Gift selection will proceed as follows:

- The first participant will select a wrapped gift, unwrap it, and show it to the group.
- The second participant then has the option of either selecting a wrapped gift or 'taking' an unwrapped gift from any previous selector.
- If a gift is 'taken', the person from whom it is taken then has the option of either selecting a wrapped gift or 'taking' an unwrapped gift from any previous selector.
- Once a gift has been 'taken' two times, it is locked from further selection and stays with the person in possession. However, there will be a limited number of 'Master Unlock' tickets available for purchase. These will allow the person who purchases one of these tickets to unlock a locked gift and take possession of that gift. That gift is then considered locked and can only be taken by purchase of a 'Master Unlock' ticket.
- The process continues until all participants have selected and are left with a gift.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### CREDIT UNION ACCOUNT BALANCES

as of December 1, 2015

Shares	\$ 70.30
General Fund	1,235.58
Scholarship Fund	11,892.00
\$250 Club Fund	<u>8,445.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 21,642.88</u>

**Chapter Dues for 2016** are now payable for those who have not paid ahead. Contact the Treasurer at the next meeting or at 931-358-0101 or [cdjmmarr@att.net](mailto:cdjmmarr@att.net) to see if you owe dues for 2015.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are pleased to welcome these new members joining in November:

CW4 Terry R. **Hill**, USA (Ret)  
Capt Warren **Jasper**, USAF(Former)  
CW4 William **Johnson**, USA  
MAJ Becky **Smith**, USA (Ret)

## PREVIOUS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

On 21 November, 61 members and guests met at the Sportsman's Lodge for a tasty Thanksgiving buffet.

Rev. Jodi McCullough (SAFE), Wendy Carlson (Fisher House), and Gene Gibson (Veterans Van Program) gave brief presentations. LTC Dave **Marr** then presented each with a donation from the Chapter.

Frank Mir described the functions of the Veterans Service Office, and Chapter members COL Roger **Nell** and CW3 John **Schuler** explained the operation of the Veterans Treatment Court. Both programs are key parts of the *Montgomery County Veterans Coalition* which is headed by Honorary Chapter member Sherry **Pickering**, who made brief remarks about the Coalition.

MAJ Vivian **Fivecoat**, Chapter Liaison to the Coalition; Maj Bill **Summers**, Tennessee Legislative Chair; and CW4 Howard **French**, TN Council of Chapters President, outlined plans for anticipated Chapter and Council legislative activities in 2016.

New members MAJ Becky **Smith**, USA(Ret), with her husband Bill, and CW4 Terry **Hill**, USA(Ret), with his wife Meshawn, were welcomed by COL **Borlund**.

CW4 **French** then presided over the election of officers for 2016. After some discussion and nominations from the floor, the following were elected: CDR Ivan **Adames**, President; CW3 John **Schuler**, 1st VP; CW4 Monroe **Gildersleeve**, 2nd VP; MAJ Vivian **Fivecoat**, Secretary; and LTC Dave **Marr**, Treasurer. Additionally, Mrs. Anne **Clark** was appointed to be the new Chapter Historian.



Jodi McCullough, Wendy Carlson, Gene Gibson, Frank Mir, & Sherry Pickering

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**FORT CAMPBELL**  
—FEDERAL—  
CREDIT UNION

## LADIES' ACTIVITIES

**The Next Ladies Luncheon Will be on Thursday, 8 December at 1130**

at

### **Oakland Manor**

**9210 Newstead Rd., Hopkinsville**

GPS: 36° 49.099' N 87° 36.196' W

The luncheon will be in the main house which will be decorated for Christmas; not the event building.

The menu will be Pasta Salad, Parmesan & herb encrusted Chicken Breast--sautéed, Pork Loin roasted and sliced, hash brown casserole, oven roasted seasonal vegetables and dessert medley. Cost \$9.00, which includes gratuities.

For those wishing to carpool, we will meet at 1045 at Denny's on 41A,  
(the far right corner of the Flying J near I-24 Exit 86)

**Directions:** From the intersection of Ft. Campbell Blvd (US-41A) and I-24, drive northwest on I-24 toward Paducah for 12.6 miles; take Exit 73, and turn left onto Gracey Herndon Rd (KY-117). Follow Gracey Herndon Rd. for 1.3 miles to the stop sign at Newstead Rd. (KY-164). Turn left; follow Newstead Rd. for 2.1 miles. Oakland Manor will be on your right.

**From Hopkinsville,** follow Canton St / Canton Pike (KY-272) west for about 4 miles to the intersection with Newstead Rd. (KY-164). Turn left at the convenience store onto Newstead Rd., and drive for about 3.5 miles. Oakland Manor will be on your left.

**R.S.V.P. by noon on Tuesday, 1 December**

Use the website form at <http://ftcky-moaa.org/Ladies-Reservations.php>  
or call or email one of the following:

Dede Anderson at (931) 647-1298  
[dede.anderson45@gmail.com](mailto:dede.anderson45@gmail.com)

Florence Grant at (931) 648-9406  
[flogran@yahoo.com](mailto:flogran@yahoo.com)

Nancy Evans at (931) 647-5808  
[evansmoaa@gmail.com](mailto:evansmoaa@gmail.com)

**Please don't wait to be called; those who do the calling will appreciate it.**

## Quilt of Valor Recipient



On 29 October 2015, long-time Chapter member LTC August 'Gus' Seibert, USA (Ret), was honored at his home in Clarksville with a *Quilt of Valor* presented by Dawn Wilcox, left, and Linda Degraw, right, representing--respectively--Disabled American Veterans and the Quilts of Valor® Foundation.\*

LTC Seibert, now 91, served in the U. S. Army from 1942 to 1970. He is a veteran of WWII, Korea, and Vietnam; his many decorations include the Silver Star. Gus comes from a long line of those who have served their country. And on his wall are pictures of himself, his father, and his grandfather, each in his uniform.



For a more information regarding Gus and his career, see Ray Howze's story in *The Leaf-Chronicle* at <http://www.theleafchronicle.com/story/news/local/fort-campbell/2015/11/09/three-decades-service/74869852/>

\*The mission of the Quilts of Valor® Foundation is to cover service members and veterans touched by war with comforting and healing Quilts of Valor. For information, visit their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/quiltsofvalorfoundation/timeline>

## S.A.F.E. Breakfast

The Chapter sponsored a table at the fund-raising breakfast on 10 November for *Soldiers and Families Embraced* (S.A.F.E.) at the Montgomery County Civic Hall in Veterans Plaza. Including those seated at our sponsored table (Ivan **Adames**, Tom and Freida **Borlund**, Bob **Posley**, Howard **French**, Eddie **Sumbler**, and J.T. **Smith**), we had a total of fifteen members in attendance to support our Chapter's designated soldier-support program.

Chapter member and Tennessee State Senator Dr. Mark **Green** gave the keynote address. Also speaking were S.A.F.E. Director Rev. Jodi McCullough and a soldier who has been helped by the program.



Dr. Mark Green



Rev. Jodi McCullough

## New Tennessee State Veterans Home



Several Chapter members took advantage of an opportunity to tour the new Veterans Home on Arrowood Drive in Clarksville. The facility, named in honor of BG Wendell H. **Gilbert**, is in the final stages of completion and should be open for business soon.



The 10 November tour, arranged by MAJ Vivian **Fivecoat**, included briefings by the principal administrative and professional staff as well as a walk-through of one of the "home" units, the common living area of which is shown in the adjacent photos.



This is a really impressive facility, and they encourage visitors. The waiting list for residents is already open. For admissions information call the Admissions Coordinator, Ms. Tanishia Layne, at 931-245-4700, or email her at [tlayne@tsvh.org](mailto:tlayne@tsvh.org)

### Who Can Join?

**You can!** We welcome active duty, former, retired, Reserve and National Guard commissioned and warrant officers and cadets and midshipmen of the uniformed services—Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Public Health Service, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration—and their surviving spouses.\*

Our members are close friends, and we have a great time when we get together. Our common interest is to support the Military Mission and those soldiers, sailors, marines, and airmen protecting our nation.

*\*Surviving Spouse Membership was formerly Auxiliary membership*

Join the one military association that is with you every step of the way.



**YES! Sign me up as a BASIC MOAA Member.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Service \_\_\_\_\_

Status:  Active  Retired  Former  Reserve  National Guard

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