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OUR BOARD WILL MEET AT 1000 on:
—07 FEBRUARY
—07 MARCH
—11 APRIL
LUNCHEON MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 1130 AT BAY PINES GOLF COMPLEX ON:
14 FEBRUARY

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR FEBRUARY 2019 COL CAROL ZIERES, PRESIDENT, TAMPA CHAPTER



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MOAA!

As I begin my third year as president of the Tampa Chapter, I am again blessed to be working with a great board of directors! Sixteen officers were sworn in at the January 10th luncheon with Colonel Terri Coles (USA RET) as officiator of the installation ceremony, after which she gave a very enlightening presentation on National MOAA Council and Chapter Affairs. "Our nation remains divided on many fronts, yet MOAA with its 350,000 members help break through the challenges facing the armed forces.

MOAA has been very effective in working across the aisle through efforts such as STORMING THE HILL—where constituents actually get to sit with their representatives on Capitol Hill to bring military personnel issues like TRICARE (medical), housing, pay raises and other benefits to the forefront of the legislative agenda," she added. As I write this, our nation is undergoing the longest partial government shut-down in its history; now entering in its' 30th day which has impacted over 800,000 federal employees, including uniformed members of the Coast Guard and NOAA branches of the military service. Sad to say among those federal employees, there are many military families struggling to make ends meet who did not receive a pay check last month. As a member of the Military Coalition Consortium of 33 Veterans Associations, you can be sure this will be one of the hot button topics MOAA will address during the next STORMING THE HILL that takes place on April 10-11! I sincerely hope those of you who are reading my president's message, will take time to write to your members of Congress as well. Remember, "MOAA is—ONE POWERFUL VOICE!"

Terri also outlined the five pillars of MOAA's strategy plan including some new recruiting and retention tools that chapters may use as part of their recruiting campaigns and for community outreach: The New Member's Kit, Permission Granted e-mail sharing campaign, creation of Virtual Chapters, Committee Module improvements that allow for instant data input on changes to members' contact information to MOAA National, and the Community Outreach Grant Program as part of the MOAA Foundation to donate money to Veteran-affiliated charities in need. Let me also reiterate some recruiting incentives that the Tampa chapter has made available to its members; a new and enhanced chapter brochure with lots of colorful pictures of our events to put into the hands of a prospective new member, an enhanced website with an electronic newsletter, and don't forget to check out the 2-minute video, "WHY MOAA," video link that was recently added to our website. You can pull up any one of these narratives on your SMART PHONE as you're talking to someone about MOAA! Did you know that MOAA will be celebrating its' 90th birthday this month? HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOAA! We are only as strong as long as our numbers keep growing, so if you haven't sent in your dues for 2019, please be sure to mail a check in the amount of \$25 to the MOAA Tampa Chapter's mailbox: P.O. Box 6383 MacDill AFB, FL 33608-0383 or you may also send your check to our membership chairman, COL Bill Schneider whose mailing address is 15888 Sanctuary Drive Tampa, FL 33647-1076. We've extended the deadline for dues until 31 March.

Finally, a couple of news flash items: **ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS:** the Tampa Chapter is hosting the 3RD ANNUAL BOB SILAH GOLF TOURNAMENT at Bay Palms Golf Course on Friday, MARCH 22nd. All proceeds benefit our signature charity, OPERATION HELPING HAND. Please visit the website: www.OperationHelpingHandTampa.com to learn how to register.

A friendly reminder that the Surf's Edge Club is undergoing renovation during the months of March through May, therefore our February 14th luncheon will be held at the Bay Palms Golf Club house.

**HAPPY VALENTINES DAY TO ALL!
"WE'VE GOT YOUR BACK – NEVER STOP SERVING!"**

**COL TERRI COLES, USA (RET) MOAA NATIONAL'S SENIOR DIRECTOR OF COUNCIL
AND CHAPTER AFFAIRS INSTALLED OUR 2019 BOARD**



Pictured left to right are our 2019 Board members:

(front row) MAJ GEN JAMES JONES USAF RET; COL CAROL ZIERES USA RET, PRESIDENT; FIRST VP, COL CHARLES J DALCOURT, USA RET; SECOND VP, COL WILLIAM A SCHNEIDER USA RET; LTC JIM GRIFFIN USA RET, PAST PRESIDENT; CW3 BILL FARROW, USA RET; CW2 THOMAS SOUTH USA RET;
(back row) FORMER NAVY LTJG BILL MITCHELL; MAJ DOLORES INCREMONA USAF RET; MAJ JOHN T MASSEY USAF RET; LT COL RICHARD SIEGMAN USAF RET; MAJ RICHARD TINSLEY USMC RET; LTC ROBERT SAWALLESH USA RET; CHAPLAIN (COL) BERNARD H LIEVING JR USA RET; CAPT DONALD DVORNIK USN RET

FEBRUARY SPEAKER: BG LEE J GRAY USA

Commanding General, 86th Training Division



BG Lee J. Gray assumed command of the 86th Training Division in Fort McCoy, Wisconsin in July 2015. Previously she served as the Deputy Coordinator for Plans and Programs for the Center for Strategic Counterterrorism Communications (CSCC) in the U.S. Department of State and as the Chief of Legislative Affairs for the Office of the Chief of Army Reserve.

She has more than 17 years of active duty in her 27-year Army career.

Commanding at the company, battalion and brigade level, BG Gray's previous assignments include Commander of the 151st Theater Information Operations Group (TIOG) based at Fort Totten in Queens, New York; Chief of Strategic Communication and Integrated Plans, Communication Integration Directorate, U.S. Central Command, Tampa Florida; deployment as the Special Technical Operations Chief and Director of Strategic Plans in the J33, United States Forces- Iraq in Baghdad; Commander of the 314th Public Affairs Operations Center; and Director of Army Public Affairs for the Southeast as a new outreach office during a three-year active duty tour in 2003.

Her additional assignments include Public Affairs tours with the Military District of Washington, the Office of the Chairman, the Joint Staff and Operation Joint Endeavor in Tazsar, Hungary.

She was commissioned as a Finance Officer in 1988 and served in the 7th Infantry Division, Fort Ord, California, the Multinational Force and Observers, Sinai, Egypt, and as the Executive Officer to the Commandant of the U.S. Army Finance School.

Awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medals, Meritorious Service Medals, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medals, Iraqi Campaign, NATO, Multinational Force and Observers and Joint Meritorious Unit Awards. She also holds the Office of the Secretary of Defense Staff Identification Badge and the Army Staff Identification Badge.

BG Gray is a Virginia native and has been a Tampa, Florida resident since 2003, where she lives with her husband, Tony, and daughter, Bailly.

She earned a Bachelor's degree in Mass Communications from Elon University in North Carolina, a Master's degree in Journalism from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana as well as a Master of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania.



LEGISLATIVE LOWDOWN

Copied from MOAA National website



COL Charles
Dalcourt, USA RET
Legislative

DO NOT RAISE TRICARE FEES

Yes, your TRICARE fees and cost shares are once again in the crosshairs. The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) recently published their annual list of budget strategies with options for policymakers to consider as they begin the budgeting process for next year. And as we know, they will be looking to increase revenue any way they can get it – so knowing in advance the areas they are going to focus on is a powerful offense for MOAA.

PROTECT COAST GUARD, NOAA

CORPS & USPHS PAY

While a temporary funding solution may be in place, it's important for legislators to understand that during the government shutdown, members of the Coast Guard safeguarded our waterways and intercepted attempts to smuggle drugs and contraband into the country, all without pay. Uniformed service members with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, alongside many with the U.S. Public Health Service, also continued their diverse missions without compensation.

MILITARY PAY AND BENEFITS MATTER

Sustain military pay increases comparable to the growth in civilian sector wages and salaries. The employment cost index (ECI) was 3.1 percent in 2018, and our active duty service members deserve the full pay raise in the FY2020 NDAA.

FIND A LONG-TERM FIX FOR THE SHUTDOWN

The government shutdown that started after negotiations broke down between the administration and Congress on December 21, continues into the 116th Congress. While a temporary fix may be in place, a long-term solution is needed.

CONTACT YOUR REPRESENTATIVES: IN WASHINGTON—

Senator Marco Rubio
284 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

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2052 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515
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IN TAMPA—

Senator Rubio
Sam M. Gibbons U.S. Courthouse
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Suite 1130
Tampa, FL 33602
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Fax: (813) 871-2864

OPERATION HELPING HAND UPDATE

"As long as we are needed, Operation helping hand will be there..."



LTC Jim Griffin,
Chairman, OPHH

What a great way to begin 2019 with a great dinner sponsored by CAE USA. RAY DUQUETTE, RES.AND GM, and his folks were more than excellent sponsors—they turned out in mass to serve the honored guests. We sincerely thank all of the CAE USA folks that participated at the JANUARY DINNER.

MISSION BBQ as always provided a dinner that made the event memorable. Thanks to the dedicated folks at MISSION BBQ!

A special thanks to HANCOCK INJURY ATTORNEYS for their 1%

for Good campaign which provided OPERATION HELPING HAND a check for \$1000.00. This was presented by GABBY PILOTO, DIRECTOR OF MARKETING. Thank you GABBY and HANCOCK INJURY ATTORNEYS.

Our FEBRUARY DINNER will be on 21 FEB at 6:00 pm at the SCI DINING FACILITY (HERO'S CAFÉ) AT THE JAMES A HALEY VA HOSPITAL. We are very proud to have the MILITARY OFFICERS WIVES CLUB as our sponsor. This is their final official function as a club. We sincerely thank you all.

We are also very pleased to have HANK'S BBQ as our caterer for this event. I would also like to add that HANK'S is also providing the lunch for the golf tournament (donating it!).

All of the credit for this truly fantastic evening goes to all of the volunteers who make this whole organization work. It requires a lot of dedicated folks who seek perfection anytime we honor the wounded and injured and their families.

THANKS TO YOU ALL!

THE BOB SILAH MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT WILL BE HELD ON 22 MARCH AT THE BAY PALMS GOLF COURSE. TO SIGN UP SIMPLY GO TO OUR WEBSITE: operationhelpinghandtampa.com AND COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION FORM AND PAY ON LINE. IF YOU ARE NOT A GOLFER AND WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US AT THE TOURNAMENT AND SHARE OUR LUNCHEON AND DINNER THE CHARGE FOR THIS IS ONLY \$25.00.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

CDR RICHARD HELVESTON, CHC, USNR

Abraham Lincoln once said that 'no man has enough memory to make a good liar. Under pressure a man would tell a lie and then he would have to tell twenty more to cover the first one. Somewhere along that process he would forget and tell the truth, and then he would be revealed.'

What distinguishes great people today is they always act like the truth supports them. They never feel the necessity to prove the existence of the truth. When we always tell the truth we never have to worry about saying the wrong thing. Sometimes saying the truth will make you not as spectacular as you would like to be, but the truth will allow you to be who you are. You will never feel that it is necessary to prove the existence of the truth.

Truth is the fiber of God's order. We can defy the truth but only at our own peril! The universe does not alter its course to suit our compass. The truth is written in us. We do not break the truth, we break ourselves.

II Corinthians 13:8: "We can do nothing against the truth."



BULLETIN BOARD

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

COL PAUL J McANEY USAF RET, 5407 SANDERLING RIDGE DRIVE, LITHIA, FL 33547-4019 SPOUSE: REBECCA



COL EARNEST HANSLEY USA RET 1635 S MILLER RD VALRICO FL 33594-4735 SPOUSE: NILDA

SUBMITTED BY COL William A Schneider USA RET, *Membership Chairman*

TAPS



GENERAL RAY SHULSTAD DIED NOVEMBER 1, 2018
SUBMITTED BY MAJ RICHARD TINSLEY USMC RET

CARING FOR OUR "SHUT-IN" MEMBERS

Our Chapter wants to become aware of members who are hospitalized, homebound, in care facilities or just plain sick and has provided a way for you to inform us. Please contact CW3 Bill Farrow, USA (Ret) at (813) 884-7823 so that he may call or send cards to let them know they are missed.

Alternatively, you may send an e-mail to:
moaatampachapter@tampabay.rr.com

CW3 Bill Farrow, USA, Sick Call Chairman

HOW TO JOIN THE TAMPA CHAPTER:

Come to a luncheon (2nd Thursdays) at 11:15 at the Bay Pines Golf Complex and ask for COL William A Schneider USAF OR fill in, print and mail the form on our web:

<http://www.moaatampa.org/>

NOTE: to be eligible for membership in the Tampa Chapter, one must be a member of MOAA National or join National at the same time the Chapter is joined.



Flight to Honor Mission #5 is scheduled for 30 April 2019. The Mission will depart from and return to Lakeland International Airport for the one day visit to Washington DC. The purpose of the program is to safely transport veterans to Washington DC to visit the memorials erected in their honor for their service to our country; provide an opportunity for the community to express their appreciation for their service; and, reinforce the importance of service above self. **All veterans are eligible** to apply for the mission provided they have not been on a previous Flight to Honor or Honor Flight Mission. Guardians wishing to accompany veterans are also encouraged to apply. Applications for both can be downloaded at <http://polkveteranscouncil.com>. Veteran and Guardian applications are being accepted—**NOW**. To be assured of selection for the mission, apply as soon as possible. The mission is free for Veterans. Guardians are asked to donate \$450 toward the cost of the mission. **Donations toward the cost of the mission are also being accepted. Tax deductible contributions can be made to: GiveWell Community Foundation, Flight to Honor, 1501 South Florida Avenue, Lakeland, FL 33803-2258**

Now and Always We'll be There.



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MOAA Convention 20-23 June 2019 SAVE THE DATES: Register Now

As we move into 2019 many of us look back and ask where did 2018 go? As you look forward, and consider special events you want to be part of and support, The officers of our chapter and I are hoping the 2019 annual convention that our chapter is hosting at the Safety Harbor Resort & Spa this June, is one of those events.

It may seem like June is too far out to plan for, but now is the time we need you make your reservation by filling out the reservation form and writing your check.

You have two options for registering. Option one is, you can go online to the MOAAFL.org website, fill out the registration form and pay with a credit card or a check. We are encouraging you, when you registering online, to choose the option to pay by check, because it will save our chapter the processing fees incurred, when paying with a credit card.

Option two is, you can download the registration form from the website or pick up a copy at our monthly luncheon. Once you have filled out the registration form, you can mail the form and check to the address on the registration form or give it to me at our monthly luncheons.

The chapter website (TampaMOAA.org) and council website (MOAAFL.org) have information about Safety Harbor Resort and Spa, the events that will be happening, and registration options. I encourage you to visit these to learn more about this special event our chapter is hosting.

Our chapter leadership encourages and depends on you to support this event.

Contact me if you have any questions: vandykeRL@verizon.net

Lewis VanDyke, 2019 Convention Chair



2019 ANNUAL CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM
20-23 JUNE 2019
Safety Harbor Resort & SPA

NAME Rank ADDRESS
Phone # Service Email Address
Name of Guest Chapter

RESORT RESERVATION COST

Arrival Date Departure Date
\$ = # Nights X \$109.00 Bed preference: King 2 Queen

Please indicate the number registering, shirts, and attending each event below

Cost
X \$30.00 = Registration: \$30.00 Each Attendee
X \$30.00 = Presidents Reception: \$30.00 Each Attendee
X \$30.00 = Breakfast : \$30.00 Each Attendee
X \$30.00 = Luncheon: \$30.00 Each Attendee
Attending Military Ball

Meal choices for Military Ball

X \$50.00 = \$50.00 each London Broil
X \$50.00 = \$50.00 each Chicken Marsala
X \$55.00 = \$55.00 each Grilled Salmon

Shirts

X \$35.00 = Man: Small Med Large XLarge XXLarge
X \$35.00 = Woman: Small Med Large XLarge XXLarge

TOTAL COST (Check Payable to: Florida Council of Chapters)

Will Attend Will Not Attend 20 June Operation Helping Hand Dinner
(No charge for meal. Transportation provided by James A Haley Veterans Hospital from Safety Harbor Spa and Resort for first 50 that sign up.)
Will Will not need transportation from Spa

Mail Form and Check to: Lewis VanDyke
1151 Shipwatch Circle
Tampa, FL 33602-5786

NOTE: Send questions or special accommodation needs to: vandykeRL@verizon.net
Provide any comments you may have on the back of this form.



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1
LTCOL BEN EDWARDS USMC AD

2
MAJ JAMES C CLIFFORD USA RET
CDR DARYL DAVIS USN RET
LT COL BILLIE M DOWNER USAF RET

3
AUXILIARY MEMBER RUTH K
HEMMINGWAY
LTCOL BLAISE MILLER USMC RET

4
1LT GLORIA DUGGAN USAF AD
MG MICHAEL JONES USA RET

6
LTC RICHARD LYONS USA RET
LT BRYON RIOS USCG AD

8
COL RONALD ESTEP USA RET

9
CAPT MONTGOMERY HINKSON MC USN
RET

13
MAJ QUIANA WRIGHT USA AD

14
RADM JON BAYLESS USN RET

15
CW4 MICHAEL L HODSON USA RET
CWO4 THEODORE RUSHNAK USCG RET

18
MAJ CATHERINE GIBSON USAF RET

19
MAJ ALBERT GREER USA

21
LTC KIMBERLY MOROS USA AD
LTC DAVID NILSEN USA RET

22
LT JEANNE COHEN NC USA RET
COL CHET R JUSTICE USAF RET

23
LCDR STEPHEN MILLER USN RET
CW4 HENRY KUHN USAR RET

24
COL ALFRED RODRIGUEZ USAF RET

25
CPT BARRY J SPEARE USA RET
LTC PAULA STEWART USA RET

26
LT COL LYNN GRINNELL USAF RET

27
AUXILIARY MEMBER MARY BOZE
LT COL STEPHENIE MEHNER USAFR AD



THE TAMPA CHAPTER OF THE MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (MOAA)



The Board of the Tampa Chapter, Military Officers Association of America, met in early January to review the 2019 Board of directors and committee assignments. The following officers were installed at the January luncheon which was held at the Surf's Edge Club aboard MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa by Senior Director of Council and Chapter Affairs. The newly elected Board members and committee assignments are as follows:

OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT: COL CAROL ZIERES USA RET
1ST VICE PRESIDENT: COL CHARLES J DALCOURT, USA RET
2ND VICE PRESIDENT: COL WILLIAM A SCHNEIDER USA RET
EDITOR, *THE RETROSPECT*: CAPT DONALD DVORNIK USN RET
PAST PRESIDENT: LTC JIM GRIFFIN USA RET
TREASURER: LTCOL KENNETH MARTIN USMCR RET
SECRETARY: CW2 THOMAS SOUTH USA RET;
SENIOR CHAPLAIN: CHAPLAIN (COL) BERNARD H LIEVING JR USA RET
SENIOR MEMBER: MAJ GEN JAMES JONES USAF RET

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

CHAIRMAN OF OPERATION HELPING HAND: LTC JIM GRIFFIN USA RET
MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN: COL WILLIAM A SCHNEIDER USA RET
LEGISLATIVE LIAISON: COL CHARLES J DALCOURT, USA RET
CIVILIAN RECRUITING/LEGAL ASSISTANCE: FORMER NAVY LTJG BILL MITCHELL

SICK CALL: CW3 BILL FARROW, USA RET
NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE LIAISON: LTC ROBERT SAWALLESH USA RET
SURVIVING SPOUSE LIAISON: MAJ RICHARD TINSLEY USMC RET
PUBLIC RELATIONS: MAJ DOLORES INCREMONA USAF RET;
ROTC/JROTC: MAJ JOHN T MASSEY USAF RET;
RESERVATIONS: LT COL JEANNE RICHARD USAF RET
DATA BASE MANAGER: CW2 THOMAS SOUTH USA RET
SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN: MAJ GEN JAMES JONES USAF RET
FLAG OFFICER LIAISON: MAJ GEN JAMES JONES USAF RET
SURF'S EDGE CLUB LIAISON: LT COL RICHARD SIEGMAN USAF RET
COCHAIRS FCOC CONVENTION:
COL LEWIS VANDYKE USA RET
LTC F DOUGLAS ANDREWS USA RET



Air Force Tech. Sgt. Jared Rogness walks atop a CV-22 Osprey tiltrotor aircraft during Red Flag 18-3 at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., July 31, 2018. Rogness is a flight engi-



TESTIMONIAL:

The biggest benefit to teaching is knowing that you have a direct impact in helping prepare your students to succeed in life beyond the classroom. The impact may come in the form of conveying information, as in my subject of chemistry... It may also be in modeling patience, self-control, organization, or how to treat others with respect. The impact teachers have on students' lives can never be overestimated.

~John A. Fedorowicz, U.S. Navy,
1988-2013
Chemistry teacher, Indian River
High School

Why Teach?

- Make a difference in young people's lives
- Use your experience to bring subjects to life
- Help students realize their potential
- Positively impact your local community

Why Hire Veterans?

- Increase employment retention rates
- Provide diversity among teaching staff
- Adaptable and a natural fit for the classroom
- Relieve critical need shortages

Troops to Teachers was established in 1993 to assist transitioning Service members and veterans in beginning new careers as K-12 school teachers in public, charter, and Bureau of Indian Affairs schools. The program provides counseling and referral services for participants to help them meet education and licensing requirements to teach and subsequently helps them secure a teaching position. Since 1993, more than 20,000 veterans have successfully transitioned to a career in education.

Since inception, oversight and funding have been shared between the Departments of Defense and Education. The National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal 2013 transferred program policy funding and oversight responsibilities back to the Department of Defense. The Troops to Teachers Program Office is located within the Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES), a component of the Defense Human Resources Activity (DHRA). The Program Office is responsible for day-to-day operations and management of the program.

Vision

Every service member interested in a career in teaching will receive assistance to transition his or her leadership, training, and core values to teaching in kindergarten through grade twelve schools.

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Mission

Assist transitioning Service members with meeting the requirements necessary to become teachers

Assist program participants with finding employment as a teacher when eligible Goals

Reduce veteran unemployment

Improve American education by providing motivated, experienced, and dedicated personnel for the nation's classrooms

Increase the number of male and minority teachers in today's classrooms

Address teacher shortage issues in K-12 schools that serve low-income families and in the critical subjects - math, science, special education, foreign language, and career-technical education.

<https://www.proudtoserveagain.com/About/Overview>

Address: 1969 Braves Trl, Chesapeake, VA 23325

—submitted by LTC BOB SAWALLESH USA RET

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

January 2, 2019

To: MOAA Tampa Chapter Members

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Tampa Chapter will award scholarships of up to \$2000.00 each to high school seniors who are planning to attend college, community college or an accredited career training institution during the 2019-2020 school year.

Applicants must be a dependent or grandchild of an active or retired military officer who has been a member in good standing of the MOAA Tampa Chapter for at least one year prior to the date of application for the scholarship. Further requirements are enclosed with this letter and may also be found at the MOAA website www.moaatampa.org.

Completed application and documentation must be submitted by 1 April 2019 to:

MGEN (Ret) James G. Jones
Selection Committee Chairman
15824 Sanctuary Drive
Tampa, FL 33647

Scholarship award winners will be announced May 1, 2019. Awards will be presented Thursday, June 13, 2019, at MacDill Air Force Base at 11:30 a.m. during the MOAA Luncheon & Awards Ceremony. Recipients, or an immediate family member, must attend in order to receive the scholarship award.

If you have any questions, you may contact:

Colonel (Ret) Bill Schneider
813 977-2572 or geowillyl@aol.com (Scholarship on subject line)
Scholarship Committee Coordinator

Sincerely,

MOAA Tampa Chapter Scholarship Committee

**MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA TAMPA CHAPTER
SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS**

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

Be a dependent or grandchild of a member of the MOAA Tampa Chapter who has been in good standing for a minimum period of one year prior to the date of application. Be a graduating senior from a secondary school.

Have a GPA of 3.0 or higher OR documented IEP/504 Status.

Complete the Scholarship Application Form.

Attend the June 13, 2019, Luncheon & Awards Ceremony. Attendance is required by the **recipient or immediate family member** in order to receive the scholarship award.

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS:

Submission of proof of Military Affiliation (DD214 or Military ID) of the sponsoring MOAA Tampa Chapter member as the applicant must be a depend or grandchild of a member of the MOAA Tampa Chapter.

Submission of proof of 3.0 GPA in the form of the high school transcript OR transcript and IEP/504.

Submission of two written letters of reference from someone other than a relative. References may be from teachers, school counselor, clergy, work supervisor, etc.

An acceptance letter from an accredited college, community college, or university with Student ID number included.

A letter **written by the student** in which he/she explains his/her goals, academic experience, and extracurricular activities.

A completed Scholarship Application Form (see Application on the web page). **No late documentation will be accepted.**

A color photo head shot or student senior picture (or a scanned photo sent via email in jpeg format).

The selection committee reserves the right to limit the scholarship awards to one per sponsor.

Submit completed application package by 1 April 2019 to:

MGEN (Ret) James G. Jones
15824 Sanctuary Drive
Tampa, FL 33647

MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA TAMPA CHAPTER
SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

**MOAA TAMPA CHAPTER
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Date of Application: _____

Name of Sponsor: _____

Date sponsor joined chapter: _____ Sponsor MOAA National membership number _____

Student Address: _____

City State Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Gender: _____

Graduating School: _____

College Accepted: _____

Academic Awards & Honors (Name & Year Received):

School Activities (Clubs, bands, athletics, etc. – Name & Year):

Other Extracurricular Activities, Community Related Activities (scouting, volunteering, work, etc. – Name & Year):

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.



Marine Corps recruits participate in a log drill exercise during physical training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego, Jan. 7, 2019.



A UH-1Y Venom helicopter departs the flight deck of amphibious transport dock ship USS Arlington in the Atlantic Ocean, Dec. 30, 2018.



Navy Seaman Christian Delacruz looks through a porthole during a drill aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Porter while transiting the Mediterranean Sea, Dec. 29, 2018.



A UH-1Y Venom takes off from the flight deck during flight operations aboard the USS Kearsarge at sea, Dec. 28, 2018.



Army Chief Warrant Officer 3 Austin Randolph hugs his daughter, Elliana, on Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Jan. 3, 2019, before departing for deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel.

