

MOAA - Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter

Chapter Meeting January 27th, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Ron Morgan who is filling in for President Jay Garbus who could not be present today.

The invocation was given by Chaplain John Samb and Pledge of Allegiance led by Ron Morgan.

Introduction of New Members and Guests, Tony Castle and Chessum by Ron Morgan.

Secretary Report – Gary Aljets

- Announced the golf tournament sponsored by Blessed Assurance which is a fundraiser for folks with PTSD, Alzheimer's and Dementia.
- He also announced that the Veterans Service Office and the new address is: Community Support Services Department, Valerie C. Woodard Center, 3205 Freedom Drive, Suite 2000, Charlotte, NC 28208.

Report Treasurer - Ron Wilsbach reported that the General Fund has \$5,540.36 which includes approximate \$2,500 from the MFI grant. The Scholarship Fund has \$28,753.22.

50/50 Raffle was worth \$36.00

Next Meeting – 17 FEB 19, 3PM, Red Rocks Café

Programs – John Willis

- January 27, 2019 – Installation of Officers by David Lee President NCCOC and Mr. Chris Perez, Volunteer Services Manager, Volunteer Services Central Division, Atrium Health - Atrium Health for veterans.
- 17 Feb 2019 - Joe Anderson and the Tuskegee Airmen
- 17 March 2019 – Ms. Catherine Hall, Atrium Health - discuss Medical Power of Attorney and other health matters.
- 14 April – Kate McCullough, Life Share of the Carolinas. **Change from the 21st.**
- 19 May 2019 – JROTC Scholarship Awards

Membership and Retention – Dale Hogue (**need replacement for web site**)

- New members – 14
- Retention – 14 members were purges from the roles as they had not paid their dues in 3 years.

Legislative Affairs – Dick Steeves

- The legislative session has just begun. MOAA and the 4th Branch will continue to push for the extension of the Bailey Settlement for all government employees.
- Ron Wilsbach encouraged us to sign up for nc.leg.gov and we can be brought up to date with what bills are being introduced, who our representatives is, bill sponsors, etc.

Surviving Spouse Liaison - Gloria Scienski – nothing new to report

Election of Officers and Installation of Officers by David Lee, President North Carolina Council of Chapters.

Old Business / New Business

- The ROTC/JROTC MOAA Leadership Awards Program- Larry Stawicki – Chairperson. We are supporting 39 high school JROTC units and 2 college ROTC programs. Awards will be given in the April/May timeframe and they have been ordered.
- JROTC Scholarship - Scott Morris – Chairperson. Letters and applications have been sent out to our high school JROTC units. They are due to the committee on February 9th.

- **4. MOAA Military Family Initiative (MFI) Community Outreach Grant - \$ 5,000 for 2018 through April 2019 – The chapter has 12 mentor/mentee pairings – 6 mentors are chapter members - Reapply for 2019???**
- The UNCC ROTC Gold Bars Program – Scott Morris/Chuck Martin are working with the US Army and US Air Force programs at UNCC.
- Update Bylaws of the Chapter – Ron Morgan and Carol Aljets are working on the updates.

Announcements:

- Mecklenburg Veterans Council – 1st Tuesday every month at 11:30 am except July and August, 700 North Tryon Street.
- Veteran Network breakfasts on the first Thursday of every month, starting at 0730 at Another Broken Egg in Ballantyne. Total cost is \$13.

Program: Chris Perez spoke to us about volunteer programs at Atrium.

Meeting adjourned: 1700

Respectfully submitted:

Gary Aljets
Secretary