



ROA/MOAA Christmas Party

Photos and article by LTC Mike Wisniewski

The Fifth Annual Joint Christmas Holiday Banquet and Veterans Char-



ity Auction Fun-draiser was held at the Manor Restaurant in Austintown, Ohio on December 4th with over 50 members, spouses, and family in attendance. The event is sponsored by the Mahoning Chapter of the Reserve Officers Association League (ROAL) who has invited the MSVC-MOAA to participate in this holiday feast and charity fundraiser for the past five years. To date, \$3,586 has been raised at these joint Christmas Parties for the benefit of a number of military organizations which are selected by ROAL. In 2012, \$456.00 was equally split between *Wounded Warrior Project* and *Fisher House*. In 2013, almost \$800.00 was donated to *The Boots Campaign*, in Tyler, Texas. Then the ladies of the ROAL decided to fund local organizations and donated \$640 to the USO of NE OHIO in order to help equip the recently dedicated USO Lounge at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station, the first USO facility on a Reserve Base in the nation. The following year, 2015, was a banner year with the Charity Auction raising \$1080. This was donated to the *YARS Base Community Council* whose mission is to support active duty and reserve soldiers and families with emergency financial needs. This year, the Charity Auction raised \$810.00. At their next meeting this spring, the ROAL will designate a local military charity or organization to receive the fundraiser proceeds.



Barbara Stamp, President of the ROAL, jump-started the afternoon's entertainment with

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The festive atmosphere at *The Manor* in Austintown for the ROA/MOAA Christmas Party



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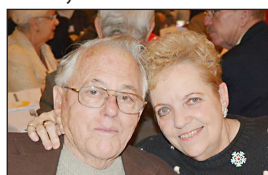
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Bonnie & Don Rasile

President's ponderings

by LTC Gary Williams



Well, I guess the first order of business is to hope that all of you had a very warm and Merry Christmas, and I wish all of us a very Healthy and Happy New Year!

This year, 2017, should be a very *exciting, busy, and challenging* time for all of us!

Exciting, because we are hosting the Ohio Council of Chapters Convention—September 22–23, 2017, at Vienna AFB, also known as the Youngstown Air Reserve Station (YARS)! Make plans to attend this great event now!

Busy, because of all the great programs we have planned for 2017. The first one being a luncheon on Friday, January 27, 2017, at 1300 at YARS. The program will follow and will be presented @ 1345 hrs by our own LTC Rod Hosler with the topic being *Our War with Russia*.

Challenging — we need everyone to participate in our programs this year, and to bring someone you know who could benefit from being a member of our local MSVC-MOAA, and national MOAA as well.

Gary

MSVC-MOAA 2017 Calendar

Date	Location and Program
1/27	MSVC at YARS 1300 program <i>Our War With Russia</i>
1/28	<i>Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, Columbus</i>
2/24	MSVC at YARS 1300 program <i>Youngstown Business Incubator</i>
3/24	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
4/22	<i>Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, Columbus</i>
4/28	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
5/20	Armed Forces Day Buhl Park
5/25	MSVC at YARS 1830 program ROTC/JROTC
6/17–18	Air Show featuring the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds aerial demonstration team. Youngstown Air Force Reserve Station
6/22	MSVC at Golden Corral, Hermitage at 1830. Topic: Camp Reynolds a WWII Camp located in Reynolds, Pennsylvania
7/22	<i>Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, Columbus</i>
7/27	MSVC Vienna Rod and Gun Club, Shoot-em, picnic supper
8/24	MSVC at YARS Steak Fry/Corn Roast legislative night
9/22-23	MSVC hosting MOAA state convention. It will be the MSVC members assistance and attendance that will make it a success.
9/24	<i>Ohio Council of Chapters Meeting, YARS</i>
10/27	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
11/17	MSVC at YARS 1300 program TBA
12/3	MOAA and ROA Christmas Party

YARS – Youngstown Air Reserve Station, Vienna, Ohio

TBA – To be announced

Suggestions for programs contact: Florence Hosler

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prizes to the individuals who answered correctly the most number of questions on an assortment of Christmas themed quizzes. A “Queen of Diamonds” board game made one lucky winner \$50.00 richer in cash. Dick Calta, the well-practiced, smooth talking auctioneer of past Christmas parties was not able to attend this year’s banquet, so Mike Wisniewski took over and tried to emulate Dick’s past success. Included in the \$810.00 raised for charity was a \$50.00 donation by the chef of Manor Restaurant who also donated the appetizer plate of cheese, veggies, and pepperoni as well. The ROAL ladies provided desert of homemade holiday cookies. ROA President, COL Walter Duzzny, welcomed all in attendance and invited officers from the five branches of the armed services to give the traditional toast. MSVC-MOAA Chaplain, Lt Col Ralph Minton gave the invocation and closing prayer.

We thank all those who came out to support this joint fund raising event and to those who planned, prepared and worked hard to make this Christmas Party a success. We also thank the Manor Restaurant for opening its doors for us on a Sunday, for its monetary donation to the fund raiser, and for providing an absolutely fantastic meal. Make sure you mark Sunday, December 3, 2017 on your calendar for the sixth annual ROA/MOAA Christmas Party. If you weren’t able to attend this Christmas Party, or for some reason weren’t able to get a successful bid on one of the fabulous prizes that were auctioned off, the ROAL will still accept and add your donation to the amount already raised for a local military charity. Just send your check in any amount payable to the **Mahoning Chapter – ROAL** by the end of February to the *ROAL Treasurer, Mrs. Bonita Rasile, 45 Midwood Circle, Youngstown, OH 44512-3114*. We thank you for your generous consideration.

YSU Recognize as a Military Friendly University – #9

Youngstown State University has been designated a **Military Friendly** university by *GI Jobs* magazine. It is the ninth consecutive year that YSU has been awarded the designation. Another honor just before *GI Jobs* recognition. The *Military Times* named YSU a **Best for Vets College 2017**.

The entire university receives the accolades. The person who is in charge of the Veterans Resource Center on campus is chapter member Rick Williams. Congratulations Rick!

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Legislative Issues – January 2017



Legislative Affairs Co-Chair, COL John Koshan

Happy New Year to all, my hope is that all of us had a safe, healthy and joyous Christmas season and year end celebration. The New Year is upon us and with it comes a number of significant events, a new Congress, the 115th, and a new President elect. After an intense and at times a divisive campaign, the electorate has spoken and now we are set to embark on a journey that will significantly affect our military, both active and retired. The President elect has said that he would boost the size of the Military including people, ships, and planes. With few details on how this will come about, it will make the next few months of budget maneuvering something to pay attention to.

A critical beginning was the 2017 National Defense Authorization Act that was agreed to by Congress and signed into law by the President. This legislation puts into law a number of MOAA priorities, specifically:

- Increases the Military pay raise from the 1.6% as proposed by the administration to 2.1%. This matches the average American workers increase as measured by the Bureau of Labor.
- Stops the force draw down and increases manpower levels especially for the Army, Air Force and Marines.
- Requires reforms to improve beneficiaries' access to quality health care.
- Protects active and retired members from a variety of steep TRICARE fee increases proposed in the administration's budget.
- Rejects proposed cuts to housing for service members who share housing.

The law also includes changes to TRICARE Standard, changing the program to a preferred provider organization called TRICARE Select effective January 1, 2018. All in all though, MOAA believes that the new law provides positive steps towards the goal of improving access to Quality Health Care.

As we head into the New Year and a new Congress it should prove to be interesting to watch the outcome of what the President elect wants for the Military and how Congress delivers. The President elect has stated his desires of increasing the Army by 100K troops, the Marines by about 10 Battalions and significant increases in the number of ships and fighter aircraft. With another round of cuts known as SEQUESTRATION coming for FY2018, the funding to carry out these plans will be hard to find. For this reason a Major Legislative Goal for MOAA for 2017 is to make a concerted effort to end SEQUESTRATION.

Other MOAA Legislative Goals for 2017 include:

- Funding people and weapons – treating people fairly and replacing and upgrading weapons
- Sustaining TRICARE/TRICARE for LIFE - insure that programs are sustained and collective efforts remain focused on improving care, coverage and readiness.
- Bar disproportional TRICARE fees hikes – resist efforts to make military Health Care like civilian programs.
- Oppose means testing for Health Care – a service earned benefit provided equally to all.
- Military Retirement – continue to advocate for government matching funds for a full career, rather than after 26 years under the new Blended retirement system starting in 2018.
- Active and Reserve Force issues – actions pertaining to operations, manpower and compensation/benefits.
- Additional issues concerning Veterans employment and disabilities.

These goals are discussed in more detail in the January, 2017 issue of The Military Officer and provide a broader explanation of MOAA's legislative positions.

Change is in the air with a new President and his administration and with a Republican controlled Congress. How well this all plays out could change the course of our National Direction. We as the electorate have a continuing role to play in what happens next. ***Our voice matters. Our willingness to support MOAA's legislative actions and our willingness to express our opinions on issues to representatives remains essential to the legislative process.***

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November Luncheon — Ernie Stadvec's Presentation on Amelia Earhart's Disappearance

The MSVC-MOAA luncheon meeting was held on November 18th at the Consolidated Activities Center of Youngstown Air Reserve Station in Vienna. Guest speaker, Ernie Stadvec, a member of the Ohio Western Reserve Chapter – MOAA, gave a riveting presentation and a different slant on one of history's unsolved mysteries - what ever happened to Amelia Earhart on her ill-fated disappearance somewhere in the Pacific Ocean as she attempted to circumnavigate the globe. Ernie Stadvec is a veteran WW II and Korean War pilot and his presentation to the chapter membership was both entertaining and thought provoking. This presentation is on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qFZjvr3-F04>

The following is a reprint of the article written by Dan Hahn appearing in the Ohio Western Reserve Chapter newsletter.

Ernie Stadvec, a member of our OWRC Chapter and both a WW II and Korean War Veteran gave an enjoyable and thoroughly provoking presentation on the mysteries that still shroud the disappearance of Amelia Earhart on her attempt to circumnavigate the globe. Ernie has conducted an amazing amount of research, stating that he had read over 18 books about Amelia Earhart's disappearance. Ernie stated the books all cited the same sources so there was not much new from the original story that she went down in the Pacific after getting lost.

Ernie got started with this project because the plane that Amelia Earhart flew was the same type of plane that he flew; his was just one model newer. As a result of his efforts, at some point he was visited by a gentleman from Cleveland who had conducted extensive research which include several on site visits to Saipan in 1968. These visits to Saipan turned up several reported native "eyewitness" accounts. These accounts led to a possible conclusion that Amelia Earhart landed on Saipan on a Japanese Airfield that was later used as a staging area for the Japanese Pearl Harbor attack. Additionally, the man from Cleveland found an "eyewitness" to the Japanese killing a man and woman, allegedly Earhart and Noonan who was with her on the flight. This occurred according to the account in a cemetery and that the bodies were burned and placed in an unmarked grave. There is much more to this account to include the recovery of some bones that were examined by a Dr. and Forensic specialist at Ohio State University. Amazingly Ernie Stadvec had access to all of this information to include pictures and a map of the Island at the time.

Further Ernie related an account from a Sergeant who was at the airfield in 1944, when the US Marines

were invading and securing Saipan from the Japanese, that Earhart's plane was found in a hangar. This account relates that US Military forces burned and destroyed the plane to eliminate any trace of it. This part of the presentation was fascinating

because it involved the White House, the President, the future Secretary of Defense, James Forrestal and a future Commandant of the Marine Corps. There was much more to this part of the account that Ernie related to us.

Ernie's extensive research of this event is impressive, to include his research in the Department of Defense and many locations that are repositories for national secret information and documents. All in attendance were riveted by Ernie's command of his facts that he presented surrounding Earhart's disappearance. Ernie ended his presentation leaving the audience to decide for itself whether Amelia Earhart died at the hands of the Japanese and whether the evidence he presented is creditable.

A YouTube video of a previous presentation with Ernie showing photographs is available on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=po-A3BtYiZQ>

President Gary Williams introduced new member Al Lind to the Chapter as well as George Jarbeck who is a prospective new member. LTC Rod Hosler presented branch specific MOAA Lapel Pins to members who were National MOAA members as well as Chapter members.



Ernie Stadvec accepts the MSVC flag set from President Gary Williams.

MSVC Membership

Membership in MSVC-MOAA shall be composed of: Men and women who are or have been commissioned or warrant officers of the seven United States uniformed services (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Public Health Service). Surviving spouses of deceased individuals who, if living, would be eligible for membership. Chapter specific membership for spouses of present members and honorary members. MSVC-MOAA memberships are open to all eligible people.

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MSVC will promote the objectives of the Military Officers Association of America providing a uniform lobbying platform on behalf of the active duty, Reserve, Guard, retired, and former officers of the uniformed services and their spouses and families.

Conduct activities which: perpetuate traditions, educate and inform members of world, national, and local events, which affect the current and former members of the U.S. military. Provide a fraternal and supportive community for members to network, socialize and promote camaraderie.

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A non military email address is preferred.

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Chapter dues from now to Dec. 31, 2017 \$20

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You may pay regular and surviving spouses dues (not spouses) with a credit card at: www.moaa.org

You may use credit card and PayPal to paid, regular, spouses and surviving spouse dues at msvc-moaa.org/membership

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Please keep your MOAA national membership, it is invoiced separately

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OR

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MSVC-MOAA Meeting at YARS, Friday, 27 January at 1300 hr – RSVP by Thursday 26th by 0900 hr

Where: Youngstown AF Reserve Station
Community Activity Center
3976 King Graves Rd
Vienna, OH 44473

Who: Members, Spouses, Guests, Surviving Spouses

Social: 1230 no cash bar

Call to Order: 1300 (1:00 P.M.)

Lunch: 1310

Topic: **Our War with Russia**

Unknown to many Americans is the U.S. military intervention in Russia This intervention included combat against Bolshevik forces in North Russia and Siberia.

Speaker: LTC Rod Hosler, USA Ret.

Attire: Warm Winter Casual

RSVP:

1. Email Janet Oglesby djo52800@neo.rr.com with your reservation and menu selection Make sure you state your selection with fries or salad/dressing.
2. Or call 330-568-4456 leave a message. Make sure you state your menu selection with fries or salad/dressing.
3. Use the web site www.msvc-moaa.org and pay with PayPal. It isn't required to have a PayPal account to use the system. You will answer "no" to the message asking if you have a PayPal account then you will be asked for credit card information.

Pre order from the following selections;

Club Sandwich, w/fries or side salad, beverage \$10.00
Ham, turkey, bacon, American & provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato and mayo

Reuben Sandwich, w/fries or side salad, beverage . \$10.00
Marble rye, cornbeef, sauerkraut, swiss and dressing

Fish Sandwich, w/fries or side salad, beverage \$10.00
Tarter sauce and lettuce

Buffalo Chicken Wrap, w/fries or side salad, beverage \$10.00
Lettuce, tomato, onion, shredded cheddar, ranch and buffalo sauce

Chef Salad and beverage \$10.00
Cherry tomatoes, sliced red onions, cucumber, hard-boiled eggs, shredded cheddar and pepper jack cheese, julienne ham and turkey

Grill cheese sandwich, side salad, beverage..... \$7.00

Cup of Chili and beverage..... \$5.00
Chili on Fridays.

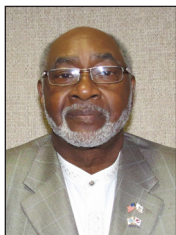
Side salad—tomatoes, cucumbers, black olives & cheese with your choice of Balsamic, Ranch, French, Italian dressing

Directions: The air base is on King Graves Road which can be accessed either off Rt. 193 or Rt. 11. After passing through the security gate on Arnold Rd., take the second left onto (Spatz Rd.). The Community Activity Center (CAC), "Herk's Place", is building #113. (You'll see a loading dock, back entrance of CAC) Parking is available on either side of the building but it is easier to enter the dining area from the upper parking lot. (There are a few stairs.) The handicapped entrance is at the front of the building. There are signs that indicate that location.

IN MEMORIAM

CW3, Christopher Whitehead, US Army, Ret.

11 April 1938 – 12 December 2016



Chris attended Central High School in Columbus, Ohio and joined the Air Force and later joined the Army where he proudly served his country with two tours in Viet Nam. He also served in Germany, Korea, Saudi Arabia and many bases around continental United States. Chris was an Quartermaster and was awarded many medals and commendations. He retired in November 1981. He then worked for the United States Postal Service for 18 years.

Chris coached Men's, Women's and Children's Basketball teams in the military, St. Joseph's Catholic School in Newton Falls, Warren Christian, KSU Trumbull Campus, St. Mary's Middle School, LaBrae High School and Warren City Schools. Chris was active with his son's Boy Scout Troop #101, where he taught Rifle Marksmanship and assisted with camping trips.

He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Edwina Bell Whitehead, three daughters and one son. Seven grandchildren and many great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren. A memorial service took place on December 17 at First Baptist Church in Braceville where Chris was a member and served as trustee and sang in the Male Chorus.

He joined MSVC in September 2012 and served as the chapter's personal affairs chairperson. He exemplifies MOAA's tag line NEVER STOP SERVING®

PLAN TO ATTEND
Ohio Council of Chapters
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September 22–23, 2017



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MOAA National Lapel Pin Recognition



US Army: Sam Axtell, William Kennedy, Sandy Lasure, Jim Shurtleff.



US Coast Guard: Shawn Dickerson. US Air Force: Jack Russell.



US Navy: Jim Hosack, Jim Swager.

January will be the last formal presentation of the new lapel pins. The criteria is MOAA national member, a chapter member and had attended one meeting in 2016.

US Army: Larry Scheetz and Joe Zentis received their lapel pins at the Veterans Breakfast at the Golden Corral, Hermitage. The breakfast is held on the first Saturday of every month at 8:00 a.m. It is open to veterans and their families. Larry is the director for the VSC for Mercer County he usually speaks on veteran's issues and benefits veterans are entitled to.





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