



MOAA/ROA Christmas Party

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The joint annual Christmas Holiday Banquet and Veterans Charity Auction Fundraiser was held at the Manor Restaurant in Austintown on December 2, 2018 with 48 members and spouses in attendance. This was the seventh straight year that the Mahoning Reserve Officers Association League, (ROAL – the Ladies Auxiliary of ROA) has invited the MSVC-MOAA to partner in a festive holiday banquet and to raise money for local Veteran organizations by auctioning off wrapped Christmas gifts to the highest bidder. Delicious hors d'oeuvres expensed equally between the ROA and MSVC, and a wide assortment of wine brought in by several members set the tone for a relaxed evening of conviviality and comradery and helped loosen the wallets for the charity auction that followed the scrumptious limited entree meals exquisitely prepared by executive chef, Ron George. Incidentally, Ron George also participated in the bidding and turning in the highest bid of the night of \$100.00. What was his wrapped surprise? It turned out to be a beautiful slate chalk board that he can use in the bar area to highlight daily drink specials.

After tallying all the bids, a total of \$1,080 was raised. Since 2012, the Christmas Charity Auction has raised over \$6400 to help Veterans and Veteran organizations. In 2017, the ROAL, together with the ROA, donated \$1000.00 towards the purchase of a 9 passenger transport van used to transport Mahoning County Veterans to the VA Clinic in Youngstown and the VA Hospital in Cleveland. In 2018 the USO-YARS received \$500.00 and the JROTC received \$500.00. Some of the other organizations that benefited from past Charity Fundraisers include: Wounded Warrior Project, Fisher House, The Boots Campaign, USO of NE Ohio (specifically at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station), Mahoning County Veterans Service Commission, and

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These donations of gifts raised a total of \$1,080



Nick Pacalo and Will Stamp received MSVC Lifetime Chapter Membership Certificates from President Florence Hosler



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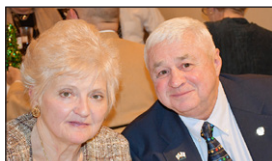
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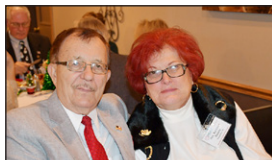
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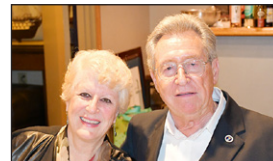
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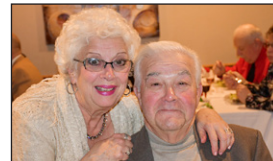
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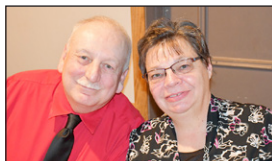
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Don & Bonnie Rasile



Rebecca Rogers & Jim Swager, Paula Barrett



Larry & Dawnle Scheetz



Will & Barb Stamp



Carol & Paul Stepuk

the Youngstown Air Reserve Base Community Council (YARBCC). Barbara Stamp, president of the Mahoning ROAL, is soliciting suggestions for where the proceeds of this year's fund raiser should go. At their first meeting in March, the ladies will select one or two local organization that will be the beneficiaries of the Christmas Charity Auction. You may contact Barbara Stamp with your charity suggestion by email at bstamp6@gmail.com or by text/phone at (330) 314-6125. If you weren't able to attend this Christmas Party, or weren't successful in being the high bidder for one of the beautifully wrapped prizes, you can still contribute a donation to this worthy cause by the end of February and it will be added to the total raised for local military charity. Send your check payable to **Mahoning Chapter – ROAL** for any amount to the Treasurer, Mrs. Bonita Rasile, 45 Midwood Circle, Youngstown, OH 44512-3114. Please write "Charity Auction" on the memo line.

Special thanks for all the ladies who donated a wide variety of homemade cookies for the desert table. Rose Pacalo made Christmas centerpieces for each table and each participant received individual edible favors.



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 Chaplain, Lt Col Ralph Minton gave the invocation and closing prayer. LTC Mike Wisniewski donned a red Christmas stocking cap and was tagged as this year's auctioneer. To all those who planned and coordinated this year's Christmas Charity Auction, to all



those who donated their time, money, cookies, and wine, to the ROAL, the ROA, and the MSVC, and to all the members and spouses who participated in this festive evening, we just can't thank you enough for making this year's Charity Auction a huge success. We also thank the Manor Restaurant for opening its doors for us on a Sunday and to Chef Ron George for providing absolutely fantastic meals.

MSVC Mission Statement

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.

MSVC-MOAA 2019 Calendar

Date	Location and Program
1/25	Lunch 1300 hr CAC, YARS– John Caparanis see page 8
1/26	<i>Council of Chapters Meeting–Columbus 10 A.M.</i>
2/22	Lunch 1300 hr Meeting, CAC, YARS–Bruce Bille USO of Northern Ohio
3/22	Lunch 1300 CAC, YARS– Ralph Pfingsten, Camp James A. Garfield
April	No MSVC meeting
4/25	YSU ROTC Awards breakfast, invitation only 8 A.M.
4/26	East High School JROTC Awards Banquet, 6 to 9 P.M.
4/27	<i>Council of Chapters Meeting–Columbus 10 A.M.</i>
5/2	Dinner Meeting, 1830 hr CAC, YARS–Cadet Night This is our showcase event! Please plan to attend

Date, time and place subject to change, check our web site, www.msvc-moaa.org>Activities>Next Chapter Event
YARS –Youngstown Air Reserve Station, Vienna, OH TBA –To be announced
CAC –Community Activity Center NOC–Navy Operational Center
Suggestions for programs contact: COL John Koshan 330-448-4758

Welcome New Members

2LT Sean Pregi, he was commissioned at YSU graduation on December 16th.

2LT Aqeel Hamoodi, he has been in the Army Reserve for two years.

Former 1LT Cory Jones, he served in National Guard and lives in Poland.

Congratulations—it's a Girl!

Annaliese Palmer born to Capt Josh & Kristi Palmer on November 29th. Annaliese has a sister and brother.

Update on Carl Nunziato

On December 14th MAJ Carl Nunziato was admitted to Lake Placid Health & Rehab Center in Florida, for treatment of osteomyelitis, which is a bone infection that developed in his left leg. This admittance was after 12 days in the hospital. Treatment for the next 21 days consisted of antibiotics three times a day via IV and pain pills every four hours. A doctor visit on January 4th, showed much improvement, but the doctor recommended the same treatment for the next 14 days. This will hopefully put the osteomyelitis in remission. If you don't know Carl, he lost his lower legs in the Vietnam War. Carl and his wife Clara have thank you for your prayers/thoughts, phone calls and cards from the Youngstown area. The rehab address is room 411, 125 Tomoka Blvd S, Lake Placid, FL 33852

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*November Luncheon Meeting Wrap-up***USS Oklahoma Remains Preservation Project**

On Friday, November 16th, the MSVC-MOAA conducted its annual business meeting at the Consolidated Activities Center of the Youngstown Air Reserve Station (YARS) in Vienna. The featured guest speaker for the luncheon meeting was Harold Ryther, a Real Estate Broker, Certified Property Manager and a retired president of a property management company in Youngstown. Mr. Ryther is also the founder of the USS Oklahoma Remains Preservation Project which was the topic of his presentation. The USS Oklahoma, (BB-37) is one of the only two battleships that were lost during WWII – the other being the USS Arizona (BB-39). Both battleships were sunk by the Japanese during the attack on Pearl Harbour. But unlike the USS Arizona, which became a memorial and marks the resting place for 1,102 of the 1,177 sailors and Marines who died aboard the ship, the USS Oklahoma sat where it capsized until it was raised in mid-1943 with 388 bodies including 14 Marines. It is believed that the Oklahoma was hit by 3 to 5 torpedoes and capsized within 8 minutes of the start of the Japanese raid. There were a total of 429 sailors and Marines killed onboard the USS Oklahoma, 388 of whom were entombed in the ship when it sank. These 388 bodies were later buried in 48 commingled graves containing 61 coffins at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (informally known as the “Punchbowl”). In 2015 the graves were exhumed and all remains removed for identification. To date genealogists have located approximately 90% of the family members to obtain DNA samples crucial in identifying the remains. As of November 2018, there have been 167 remains identified and returned to families for full military honor funerals. The Department of Defense has promised to identify the balance of the remains and return them home. The reason Harold Ryther became involved in this project was that his wife, Maryann, still vividly remembers the day her grandmother received a Western Union telegram informing her that her son, Stanislaw F. Drwall, Pattern Maker, First Class, U.S. Navy, was listed as Missing in Action (MIA). Stanislaw Drwall was Maryann’s uncle. Maryann is one of 221 families who are still awaiting proper identification and return of her uncle’s remains. The USS Oklahoma RIP organization is committed to ensuring that the US Government continues their progress until every fallen serviceman who lost their lives aboard the USS Oklahoma is reunited with their loved ones. For more information go to: www.USSOklahomaRIP.com, USSBB37@gmail.com, or follow on Facebook @ USS Oklahoma Remains Preservation Project. The MSVC presented Harold Ryther with a check as a donation towards this project.

After the riveting presentation by Harold, the officers and board members that will serve the Chapter for 2019 were sworn into office by Col. Dick Calta, outgoing President of the Ohio Council of Chapters. Joining the current slate

of officers for the first time will be former CPT Ralph DeLucia, USA, CDR David DiTallo, USN, Ret, and LTC Larry Scheetz, USAR, Ret. Janet Oglesby gave a brief oral outline of the Chapter Officer’s and Committee Chairman’s reports for 2019 while LTC Rod Hosler highlighted the Chapter’s activities and accomplishments throughout the year. Then LTC Hostler proudly announced the Chapter’s fifth Level of Excellence Award from MOAA National, its 2nd 5-Star Award in successive years. The streamer was added to our Chapter flagpole and banner. Also receiving the highest Achievement Award was Janet Oglesby as editor of our premier eye-catching Chapter Newsletter, and Bruce Bille, for our Chapter’s outstanding website. In other announcements, Judge Robert Milich was inducted into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame on November 8th. (Loud round of applause). LTC Roderick Hosler will be installed as President and former LT Albert Lind as Secretary/Treasurer of the Ohio Council of Chapters on January 26th. (Another round of applause) “Storming the Hill”, a MOAA initiative that seeks to engage each of our congressional legislators in Washington, DC with issues that MOAA deems essential in supporting our military personnel and their families will take place on April 11th. Slated to attend from our Chapter is Rod and Florence Hosler.



Finally, the 50/50 winner was CAPT James Swager. Other drawing winners for military themed books were: Bruce Bille—*The Greatest Generation* by Tom Brokaw, Bonnie Rasile – *It Doesn’t Take a Hero*, the autobiography of General Norman Schwarzkopf by Peter Petre, Kay Milich – *Great World War II Stories, a 50th Anniversary Collection*, and *James Shurtleff – War Letters* by Andrew Carroll. These books were given to Ralph DeLucia who donated them for the raffle.

Friends of the Chapter Policy

Adopted 3 January 2019

MSVC Bylaws state Friends of the chapter will be no more than 5% of the membership. A friend member will not pay dues nor hold office, they may serve on committees.

Policy

- The friend has to be an honorable discharged enlisted veteran.
- Sponsored by a chapter member that is in good standing.
- A regular chapter application will be filled out and the sponsor name at the very top.
- Application will be scan and distribute to the board for review.
- Membership chair will contact friend members annually for to confirm friend status.
- A friend may bring spouse or significant other to meetings but no on-going guests.

Legislative Report, January 2019, LTC Rod Hosler USA, Ret

True to his word, Secretary Robert Wilkie has been busy calming the waters at Veterans Affairs, implementing reforms to improve the veteran experience, and streamlining the delivery of services he committed to improving when taking office on July 30, 2018.

Customer service is one of Wilkie's top priorities. This month he rolled out a number of initiatives to honor his commitment to making VA a friendlier and easier place for veterans to be served:

1. **VA.gov Redesign.** After gathering feedback from over 5,000 veterans, service members, their families, caregivers and survivors, VA took a bold step forward in modernizing its homepage to help veterans navigate the website to get at the content they need, quicker and easier. With 10 million visits a month to the website, customers frequently voice their complaints and frustration with the layout and navigability, saying it focused too much on presenting information about VA as an organization and not what customers need.

"Veterans, their families, caregivers and our many customers have successful online transactions in their day-to-day lives," Wilkie said. "They should expect the same exceptional digital experience coming to VA. Our customers will receive a more simple and intuitive experience when accessing our online front door - the new VA.gov."

Click [here](#) and check it out! Tell MOAA know what you think of the website redesign at legis@MOAA.org.

2. **Benefits Initiatives.** VA also announced some benefit improvements to help service members and veterans in need-see how these improvements may help you or someone you know:

Benefits Delivery at Discharge Program- new improvements allow service members filing disability claims between 90 to 180 days before they separate from service to receive a decision on their claim within 30 days of discharge.

Veterans Impacted by Super Typhoon Yutu and Hurricanes Florence and Michael - VA declared the typhoon in the Northern Mariana Islands and hurricanes in Florida, North Carolina and Georgia significant disasters to warrant prioritizing and moving veteran benefits appeals claims to the top of the list for resolution.

Free Federal Agency Legal Assistance - VA joined with the Departments of Labor, Justice, Defense, Homeland Security, and others, committing to improving and increasing access to free legal services for veterans facing eviction or home foreclosures, driver's license revocations, child support or those with other critical needs that impact their ability to work or seek health care.

3. **VA Health System Realignment.** Just before the Thanksgiving holiday, VA announced its plan for reorganizing the Veterans Health Administration (VHA). The plan is part of a bigger initiative directed through an [executive order](#) signed last year by President Donald Trump, requiring reorganization of the entire federal government.

The plan is to break up dozens of program offices, consolidating them into four offices to provide "greater accountability and clearer governance over these critical functional areas" - an integration and consolidation effort Wilkie says will reduce bureaucracy and help the agency focus on the veteran.

The four new offices are:

- The Office of Population Health. This will focus on health care in a particular region, looking at population segments and markets to eliminate administrative burdens and redundancies, while aligning VA with other federal agencies and private institutions to promote best practices and standards.
- The Discovery, Education and Affiliates Networks (DEAN) Office. This combines two former offices, the Office of Academic Affiliations and the Office of Research and Development. The office is charged with advancing cutting-edge medical care and innovations to address the complex health issues of veterans. It also provides a platform for the next generation of

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physicians to deliver the most innovative care, thus also improving medical care for all Americans as VA history of [medical innovations](#) has shown.

- Engineering and environment of care functions will merge into a single office to address environmental and safety issues across the system to ensure VA continues to deliver high quality health care.
- Human resources functions delivered through four different offices at VA headquarters will combine into a single office to improve efficiency, transparency and provide more consistent service across VHA.

Still Working at 65? Here's What Happens to Your TRICARE Benefits

By law, TRICARE Prime and Select must end at age 65. At age 65, TRICARE converts to a Medicare supplement. To continue TRICARE coverage at age 65 and beyond, you must have Medicare Parts A and B, so TRICARE can supplement the Medicare.

You do not permanently lose TRICARE eligibility by not enrolling in Medicare at age 65. You just delay Medicare/TRICARE coverage. Delaying Medicare enrollment at age 65 carries Part B premium penalties unless you follow the proper procedures for delaying, as explained below.

- If you still are working, you have three options:
- Use your employer-sponsored health care plan without Medicare/TRICARE.
- Use Medicare/TRICARE only.
- Use both your Medicare/TRICARE and your employer's plan. You can be enrolled in Medicare Part A alone at age 65 at no cost while using your employer's plan if you delay Part B/TRICARE.

You still must be working and using your employer's health plan to delay Medicare enrollment at age 65. After you stop working, you have eight months to enroll in Medicare before late enrollment penalties kick in. Your eight-month clock starts at the end of your health plan or the end of work, whichever is first. Enroll in Medicare before the end of the health plan or work to ensure your Medicare is in force before your current health plan ends.

Being covered by an employer's *retiree* health plan does not count for penalty-free delayed Medicare enrollment. You must be working and covered by an employer's health plan.

If you are U.S. Family Health Plan (USFHP) members and you enrolled in the plan on or before Sept. 30, 2012, and have remained enrolled, you may receive your care through the USFHP even after you turn 65. If you enrolled in USFHP on or after Oct. 1, 2012, the law requires that you be transferred to Medicare/TRICARE when you turn 65. However, if you move outside an USFHP area or dis-enroll from the USFHP after age 65 and then enroll in Medicare Parts A and B, you will pay delayed enrollment Part B premium penalties. To plan for worse-case, you might want to enroll

in Medicare Parts A and B at age 65 regardless of USFHP coverage.

Medicare Advantage plans are Medicare Parts A and B. TRICARE works the same with Medicare Advantage plans as it does with government-sponsored Parts A and B.

FEDVIP Enrollment Officially Extended for Three Months

Sign-ups for the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) have officially extended for three months; officials at the Office of Personnel Management have informed MOAA.

Open Season ended Dec. 10; however OPM has granted a "belated enrollment phase" for potential beneficiaries who missed the first deadline. Sign-ups should be granted until about mid-March.

The Military Officers Association of America influenced OPM to grant more time for beneficiaries.

"We kept the spotlight on this by tracking enrollment and communicating whenever our members had feedback or an issue," said Capt. Kathy Beasely, USN (Ret), MOAA's director of health affairs.

Enrollees in the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program are required to sign up for FEDVIP if they wish to maintain dental insurance. FEDVIP provides 10 choices for dental coverage. As of early Dec. 13, about 639,000 beneficiaries had signed up for dental coverage. The target goal is at least 800,000 signups. Vision coverage is also offered, through four carriers. FEDVIP vision plans help pay for routine vision appointments and frames, lens and contacts. As of Dec. 13, about 300,000 people had signed up for vision.

To enroll online visit BENEFEDS.com or call, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Eastern, at 1-877-888-3337.

OPM announced the belated enrollment phase in a Dec. 13 meeting at the Defense Health Agency in Arlington, Va., attended by military and veteran service organizations. Officials said that 80 percent of signups have occurred online and that the overall process has earned a 92 percent satisfaction rating from those surveyed.

OPM will review its Open Season policies and identify changes that might improve the process in 2019.

For those who have signed up: You will not see premiums taken out of your account until February. FEDVIP bills beneficiaries after each month of coverage.

Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter Membership Requirements

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.

Judge Milich Induction into Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame in November

The Vindicator by William K. Alcorn



Retired Youngstown Municipal Court Judge Robert P. Milich was among the 20-member Class of 2018 inducted into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame on Thursday November 8th.

“It’s an extremely high honor,” said Judge Milich, an Air Force veteran. He was nominated for the honor by the Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America.

In the Vietnam War era, he interrupted his law-school studies at Ohio State University to join the Air Force as a logistics officer and military intelligence specialist. From 1972 through 1995, he was a member of the Air Force Reserve’s 910th Airlift Wing at the Youngstown Air Reserve Station in Vienna and served in 1991 during Operation Desert Storm, retiring as a lieutenant colonel.

Judge Milich, 76, who retired due to age limits after nearly 20 years of service as municipal court judge, is perhaps best known for pioneering the Youngstown Veterans Treatment Court in 2010, where participating veterans plead guilty to nonviolent charges which can be dismissed if they complete monitored, court-ordered, mental-health or drug-treatment programs.

There have been more than 60 people in the program; 48 of whom graduated and none of whom committed a crime after completing the program, he said.

The judge ended up in the Air Force by following advice from his father. He graduated from a 90-day officer training

school in Texas and was stationed at Hill Air Force Base in Utah. While out west, he met his wife, Kay, whom he dubbed a “war bride from Los Angeles. I took her from Hollywood to Youngstown and she loves it here.”

They have two children, Cynthia Milich Thomas of Columbus, and a son, Edward of San Francisco. They also have four grandchildren.

Judge Milich served on active duty from May 1967 to September 1971, including a year in Germany, and was a reserve from 1972 to 1995 with the 910th Airlift Wing.

“The military gives you a worldwide network and structure. ... It gives you camaraderie you don’t get anyplace else. ... It gives you a family,” he said.

He is a 1959 graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School and is a member of the school’s Hall of Fame. He started his college career studying business at Youngstown State University, received a master’s degree in business administration from the University of Utah and earned his law degree from the University of Akron.

Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame was established in 1992 to recognize outstanding professional achievement, service to the community and selfless acts of veterans after their military service. Past honorees include astronaut Neil Armstrong.

The induction ceremony took place at Radiant Life Church in Dublin, a Columbus suburb.

Here is a link to the video of the induction ceremony. Judge Milich is at the 36 mark.

<https://www.ohiochannel.org/video/ohio-veterans-hall-of-fame-induction-ceremony-2018>

Thank You to the Following for Your 2019 Dues

Andrews, Chandra	Duzzny, Kathy	Lassiter, Jason	Oglesby, Janet	Stiger, James
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Bille, Bruce	Hanni, Anna	McCaster, Tierney	Rafidi, Jacob	Thomas, Deanna
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Membership Renewal or Application for Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter

Name: _____ Military Status _____ Spouse Name _____

Branch _____ Rank _____ Years Active/Reserve ____/____ ☐ Active *(Regular) — ☐ Reserve* — ☐ National Guard*

☐ Regular Member (Retired, Former, Active* Officer of the seven uniformed US Services **Membership \$20/year**)

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☐ Spouse (local MOAA chapter only, not national, spouse is member of chapter) **Membership \$20/year**

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January Birthdays: 1–Barb Wisniewski, 6–Dennis Gartland, 8–Jim Shurtleff, 8–Bob Milich, 16–Jim Hosack, 17–Richard Morgan, 19–Rich Lonardo, 23–Irv Maurer

February Birthdays: 12–Kay Milich, 16–Tim Williams, 17–Edwina Whitehead, 19–Dennis McMahon, 19–US Coast Guard Reserve, 26–Dawnle Scheetz



Mahoning and Shenango Valleys Chapter–Blue Star Families, Active Duty Members, YSU Grads

If you know anyone who is deployed, or will be deploying, overseas, please contact the USO so we can add them to our recipient list. We want to support as many of our dedicated military members as possible and keep them connected with home and family. **Contact Information:** Bruce A. Bille, USO Northern Ohio Youngstown Air Reserve Station Support Office, Office: (330) 609-2115 Cell/Text: (330) 333-0397 Fax: (330) 617-8515 E-mail: USOTrumbullCo@gmail.com

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Luncheon Meeting at YARS, Friday, 25 January at 1300 hr – RSVP by Wednesday, 23rd 8 P.M.

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

Who: Members, Spouses, Bring a Guest, Surviving Spouses

Social: 1230 no cash bar

Call to Order: 1300 (1:00 P.M.) **Lunch:** 1305

Attire: Warm Weather Causal

Program: LTC John Caparanis–Sports Memorabilia, John is a chapter member, local sports announcer

RSVP:

1. Use the web site msvc-moaa.org/next-chapter-event to place your order.
2. Email Janet Oglesby djo52800@neo.rr.com with your reservation and menu selection.
3. Or call 330-568-4456 leave a message. Make sure you state your menu selection.

The web site msvc-moaa.org/next-chapter-event is set up to take orders, but not credit cards. It will help with accuracy of the order. Please pay at the lunch meeting with cash, check, or **no credit cards this meeting.**

Pre order from the following selections in the next column

Entrees

Buffalo Chicken Wrap, beverage.....\$8.00
Lettuce, tomato, onion, shredded cheddar, ranch and buffalo sauce

Club Sandwich, beverage.....\$8.00
Ham, turkey, bacon, American & provolone cheese, lettuce, tomato and mayo

Reuben Sandwich, beverage.....\$8.00
Marble rye, cornbeef, sauerkraut, swiss and dressing

Fish Sandwich, beverage.....\$6.00
Tarter sauce and lettuce

Chef Salad, beverage, roll.....\$9.00
Cherry tomatoes, sliced red onions, cucumber, hard-boiled eggs, shredded cheddar, pepper jack cheese, julienne ham and turkey
Dressings available, Balsamic, Blue Cheese, Italian, Ranch, Raspberry Vinaigrette

Side Options

if you only order side options, beverage is \$1.00:

Side Salad.....\$3.00
tomatoes, cucumbers, black olives & cheese

Dressings available, Balsamic, Blue Cheese, Italian, Ranch, Raspberry Vinaigrette

French Fries.....\$1.00

Cup of Chili.....\$3.00



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President Florence Hosler gives a check of \$100 from the chapter to YSU Veterans Resource Center.

Brian Wolf, (l) works for the YSU Foundation and is the Giving Officer assigned to Veteran Center Accounts. Rick Williams (r) is the Director of the Veterans Resource Center. The donation will be used

to purchase gas/grocery gift cards. These cards are given to student veterans that have an emergency needs.

The spirit of giving was also at YARS on November 29th. The Security Forces Squadron of the 910th Airlift Wing was at the USO Lounge packing up the supplies for shipping. They collected the supplies over the month of November.

