

FEBRUARY 2019

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# Northern New Jersey Chapter

The luncheons have returned to Cannon Gate located at Cannon Gate Catering and Conference Center BLDG 121.



## FEBRUARY PROGRAM

Speaker: Maj (R) Stanley Emelander, Picatinny Arsenal

*An Introduction to the United States Army's New "Four Star" Procurement Program*

## President's Message — BG William (Bill) Marshall, USA, RET

### Presidents Message

All, been very busy over the past month and have had two TDY's which have delayed getting a message out to you. First off, I would like to thank the Honors Flight team for the presentation during our January luncheon. It was informative, entertaining and provided a tremendous insight into how the country views our Veterans. On a rainy day at two ends of the Eastern Seaboard we saw how dedicated folks are when honoring veterans for their service and it was refreshing to see so many youngsters that were part of the welcoming committees on both departure and landings of the Honor Flights. The video that the team put together was excellent and we are working on getting a copy for our website and so to Ralph, John and Gabe thank you for a job well done and thanks for sharing with the Chapter.

Please keep a weather eye out during these next few months as the winter season promises to have a number of surprises and we worry about our members being safe and sound during travels and at home.

We continue to look for and recruit new members as this is the only way we will perpetuate what's been a goal for our Chapter over these past few years.

I'm closing by reminding you again to keep those Brave Guardians of Freedom in your thoughts and prayers, keep them vigilante during their watch and bring them home safely. Thanks to all of you for your service and commitment to the values that make this Republic the "greatest political experiment" in the World and it is because of your service it has survived these many years.

V/r  
Bill

We are back at Cannon Gates and we are working on making improvements to the menu and to look at how we could provide a broader range of presentations. Major General Andrew P. Schafer Jr has returned from his deployment with the 28<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division of the Pennsylvania National Guard and has offered to provide us with an overview of his mission in the near future.

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## JANUARY PRESIDENT MESSAGE

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Our December Luncheon had several themes to include the remembering the horrific event at Pearl Harbor which plunged the United States into World War II where the leadership of all the services in the Armed Forces experienced a dramatic and crucial need to fill the ranks of the officer corps. The void that was created posed a significant concern across the services which were filled by surging Officer Candidate Programs, early commissioning from the service academies and a great reliance on Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC). Your Chapter has diligently supported JROTC and ROTC programs throughout the State of New Jersey and Major George Pappendorf and his committee have been outstanding in making the scholarship program a cornerstone of our work. We had 3 stellar candidates for this year's scholarships, and all were our guests for this luncheon. George provided a short professional briefing on the process and a snapshot profile on each of the candidates which included the Professor of Military or Naval Science (Commanders) recommendation. There will be more to follow on the scholarship program in this newsletter, but it was a great to see these young leaders and have them share this experience with us and we congratulate and wish them all well as they continue this journey in the Defense of this Great Nation.

You all should have received an email from Colonel Bill Evers with reference to our luncheon schedule for time and place for 2019. After a short but spirited meeting the Executive Council supported a decision to give Cannon Gate Catering another bite at the apple. The Xmas luncheon from everyone I spoke with was a resounding success and I personally want to make that the standard as we charge into a new year.

So I've mentioned two of the themes and the outcomes and now I want to recognize Joe and Irene Richardson who have been the heart and soul of our Chapter for decades and it was my pleasure to honor them before we ended out festivities. We had a lovely bouquet of seasonal flowers and a gift card for the "Dynamic Duo" as a gesture of our gratitude and appreciation for their service. Well done!

State Council President McKinley Williams was our guest and he provided a report out on the state of MOAA in New Jersey. He briefed on the closing of the South Jersey Chapter and the impact on the state level and the overall response from MOAA National which has authorized New Jersey to maintain a State Council comprised of the Lakes & Pines Chapter and our Chapter. He will be leaving his position in 2019 and wanted to wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. In closing I want to thank all of you for your support and a special shout out to the Executive Council for what they do each and every one of you is a special person with skills and energy that makes things happen. God Bless you all and God Bless those who serve and have served.

### MILITARY HISTORY CORNER

**JAN 2011 – The largest rocket ever launched from the U.S. West Coast blasted off on Thursday from Vandenberg Air Force Base, carrying a top secret satellite into orbit.** The Delta IV Heavy rocket stood 23 stories tall, and its engines produced 2 million pounds of thrust, according to the 30th Space Wing of the U.S. Air Force. Blasting off at 1:10 p.m. Pacific time from Space Launch Complex-6 at Vandenberg in California, the rocket carried a payload for the U.S. National Reconnaissance Office.

**FEB 1909 – The Great White Fleet returned to Norfolk, Va., from an around-the-world show of naval power.** 1st US fleet to circle the globe. It consisted of 16 battleships divided into two squadrons, along with various escorts. Roosevelt sought to demonstrate growing American military power and blue-water navy capability. Hoping to enforce treaties and protect overseas holdings, the U.S. Congress appropriated funds to build American sea power. Beginning with just 90 small ships, over one-third of them wooden, the navy quickly grew to include new modern steel fighting vessels. The hulls of these ships were painted a stark white, giving the armada the nickname "Great White Fleet"..

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This is the second newsletter distributed through our e-mail. Going forward the newsletter will be e-mailed to the members. Those members not possessing an e-mail account will receive hard copies. We currently have nine members that are registered for mail. Should a reason exist for you to contact a specific member, contact one of the officers listed below.

### SCHOLARSHIP RECEIPTS



### Dues Notices

Checks for CHAPTER dues, scholarship fund donations, and luncheons are to be made out to NNJ-MOAA. Please indicate the purpose of the check, i.e., dues, scholarship, etc.

Checks for luncheons should be mailed to Chuck Sweetman at the address on page 4.

Checks for CHAPTER dues and scholarship donations are to be mailed to:

CPT Jeffery Carr, USA  
 Treasurer, NNJ-MOAA  
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 Budd Lake, NJ 07828-2542

**Annual Chapter dues are:**  
 Regular Members \$25  
 Surviving Spouses \$15

Checks for **MOAA National dues** are to be made out to MOAA National and sent to:

MOAA  
 PO Box 1488  
 Merrifield, VA 22116

### Current Chapter Officers and Committee Chairmen

### 2018-19 Lunch Schedule

2019  
 March 15, Friday  
 April 19, Friday  
 May 17, Friday  
 June 21, Friday  
 July 19, Friday  
 August 16, Friday

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## SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT INFORMATION

Since 1991 the Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (NNJ-MOAA) has presented scholarships to ROTC Cadets and Midshipmen. Applications are reviewed by NNJ-MOAA and scholarship recipients are selected using the following criteria: High academic standing, resident of NJ, outstanding leadership potential, career in the military following graduation, financial need and must be a senior receiving a commission at the end of the 2018-2019 academic year.

This year NNJ-MOAA will award three \$1,000 ROTC Scholarships. ROTC Scholarship Recipients for 2018 are:

Cadet Alexander Ritter  
Army ROTC (Seton Hall)  
Montclair State University, Montclair  
Major: International Justice Studies  
Special Interests: Signal Intelligence and foreign affairs pertaining to the Middle East  
Military Career Objective: Military Intelligence Officer and focus in Signal Intelligence

Commander's recommendation: Cadet Ritter is a mentor to all those around him. I could not pick a more deserving Cadet for your scholarship consideration.

Cadet Taylor C. Liamero  
Air Force ROTC  
Rutgers University, New Brunswick  
Major: Communications  
Special Interests: Recreation, sports, media entertainment  
Military Career Objectives: Logistics Readiness Officer

Commander's recommendation: I give my strongest recommendation for Cadet Liamero. I could not be more proud of her growth and accomplishments over the past four years.

Midshipmen Matthew D. Molinari  
Navy ROTC  
Rutgers University, New Brunswick  
Major: East Asian Languages and Area Studies  
Special Interests: Learning languages mostly Mandarin, college football, Rutgers Athletics and Politics  
Military Career Objectives: Surface Warfare Officer with an Option in Information Professional

Commander's recommendation: Because of his dedication, pride in his service and demonstrated leadership I am proud to offer Midshipman Matthew Molinari my highest possible endorsement.