

Green Country Chapter Military Officers Association of America

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January Combined Surviving Spouse and Chapter Meeting

When: 9 January 2024

Where: Meadowbrook Country Club 9300 E 81st Street Tulsa, OK

Social: 1800 hours
Dinner/Mtg: 1845 hours
Cost: \$25 per person

RSVP to Alta Segovia (altafsegovia51@gmail.com) by 5pm 4 Jan 2024

Speakers Stacy Pearson (CEO of Veyron Estate Protection) "Wills and Trusts"

David Van Meter (Ft Gibson National Cemetery) "Veterans Burial Benefits"

Topic: Wills vs Trust, VA Burial Benefits

ABOUT US

The Purpose of the Chapter shall be:

- To promote the purposes and objectives of the Military Officers Association of America.
- > To foster fraternal relations among retired, active, reserve, guard, and former officers of the uniformed services.
- > To provide useful services for members, their dependents, and survivors.
- To serve the community and the nation.

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We need YOU to let us know if you are coming to the dinner meetings or not. The RSVP deadline is set by Meadowbrook. They hold us to the number of meals we request. Knowing you are not coming is as important as knowing you are attending.

Cancellation policy

Meadowbrook charges us for the number of meals we request regardless whether someone attends or not. NO Shows will be billed

We always try to fill cancellation spots with late RSVPs but that is not always possible.

Membership News

Rick Foster, 2nd VP Membership Director 2024 Membership Dues \$25.00

2024 DUES Are due NOW. A Late fee of \$5.00 will be applied to all current members' dues paid after February 15th. You may pay your dues on line at MOAA.org or by check, cash or cc/debit card at our monthly meeting.

Policy for new members

ALL annual dues will be \$25.00 regardless of when they are paid. If new members pay after October 31, they will be considered a voting member for the current year and the dues will be applied to the following year.

Example: Pay dues Sept 1, 2024 this will count as your 2025 dues and you will be able to vote at the November 2024 Annual Meeting.

Consider upgrading your MOAA National membership to Premium or Lifetime. Enjoy the benefits of the upgrade

Legislative Corner AJ Eagleton, Legislative Liaison

MOAA has set the following as their TOP Priority for 2024

We need your help in monitoring the progress on these issues, training is provided. Please let us know which topic you will help us track.

Compensation and earned service benefits, survivors benefits, health care for currently serving and retirees, Guard and Reserve benefits, service families and health care and benefits for veterans

Surviving Spouse Vicki Foster, Surviving Spouse Liaison

There are lots of ways MOAA can help Spouses and Surviving Spouses

CREATE YOUR SPOUSE ACCOUNT: If this is your first time adding your spouse information, be sure to have the MOAA member number, the member's first and last name. The MOAA member number is on your Military Officer magazine. ADD Your name NOW do to wait until you are a Surviving Spouse.

MEMBERS: UPDATE YOUR PROFILE HERE (click to follow link) If you are the MOAA member, log into MOAA and update your profile to include your spouse's information. For assistance, call our Member Service Center at (800) 234-6622.

Questions? Contact MOAA's Member Service Center at (800) 234-6622, or find us on social media:

- Facebook.com/moaaspouse
- MOAA's Facebook and Twitter

Green Country MOAA Calendar

GCMOAA January General Meeting

Tuesday 9 Jan 2024

Meadowbrook Country Club RSVP by Thursday 4 Jan 2024

altafsegovia51@gmail.com or 918-282-0145

GCMOAA February General Meeting

Tuesday 13 Feb 2024

Meadowbrook Country Club RSVP by Thursday 8 Feb 2024 altafsegovia51@gmail.com or 918-282-0145

OKMOAA COUNCIL MEETING

Everyone is welcome to attend the OKMOAA Council meetings. This is a great time to meet the leadership as well as members of other Oklahoma MOAA Chapters. 17 February 2024 10:00 am

Norman Central Public Library 103 W Acres St Norman OK, 73069

Important Military Dates in January

- 1/16 Desert Storm (Persian Gulf) Began (1991)
 - 1/27 Vietnam War Cease Fire (1973)
 - 1/31 Panama Campaign Ended (1990)

Treasurer Report

Green Country MOAA has two options to make it easier to pay your dues. You can now pay both national and chapter dues on line if you have any questions or concerns, please contact

Jim VanDeventer at Jim_vandeventer@protonmail.com

MOAA Fund \$6,274.38

MOAA Excellence Fund \$4,969.28

Community Involvement Opportunities

Blue Star Mothers

3rd Tuesday of each Month January 16, 2024 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Blue Star Mothers in Broken Arrow are packing 200 boxes a week due to recent increase in deployments from OK military units. Please take a few moments and put on your schedule the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Blue Star Mothers, Broken Arrow Military Center 1117 S Main, Broken Arrow, OK. The 3rd Tuesday of each Month 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm.

January GCMOAA Speaker Stacy Pearson



"Wills and Trusts"

Stacy Pearson has a powerful voice in the estate planning arena. Stacy has traveled the U.S. educating audiences and training financial advisors about how updates to the trust laws and the use of technology make it easier than ever to get your affairs in order. She has advocated at every level of government for those without a voice including speaking at the United Nations. Her passion to help families avoid the financial losses of probate and its family-fracturing repercussions has led her to become a leader in the transformation of how trust services are made available today. Stacy is the CEO of Veyron Estate Protection. She is also the creator of the Universal Guardian Trust, available in all 50 states for families raising children with challenges, disabilities and special needs.

GCMOAA Holiday Christmas Gala

Allen Richardson named Special Advisor To the Board.













Malia Aubuchon, Mark & Alta's granddaughter served as official photographer. Thank You Malia.









All the beautiful table decorations were provided by; Mary Rapp, Cheryl Sturgeon, Robyn Ferrel, Vicki Foster, Judy Miles and Angela Flax.



One of the highlights of the evening was the Navy members singing the ARMY song in honor of ARMY beating Navy in the Army/Navy Game of 2023.



The beautiful tree at the hors d'oeuvres table was created by Cheryl LeSturgeon and was featured in the Philbrook Parade of Trees a few years ago.





The 2023 GC MOAA GALA was amazing! Everyone had a great time.







