

President's Message

Happy Birthday US Army! June 14 will mark 247 years. The Army goes rolling along!

This year is an election year for local, State, and national government seats. Please see the Legislative Update for more information.

Our illustrious communications staff (well, just one—Rick Sunner) has again earned a 5-Star Col Marvin Harris Communications Award for the newsletter. Well done, Rick! Thanks for all your hard work and sacrifice.

The USO and Fisher House donation drive has concluded with nearly \$9,000 in monetary collections and two vans full of water, snacks, toiletries, paper/Styrofoam plates, cups, and bowls, sanitizing wipes, cleaner spray, toilet paper, paper towels, and other household goods. Special thanks to the JROTC unit at Dupo High School, as well as O'Fallon High School for their collection efforts. They always seem to make a Herculean effort and it always pays off. Hats off to Dupo and O'Fallon! *Continued on page 3*

Treasurer's Report		
Checking Account Balance	\$610	
Savings Account Balance	\$8,990	
Certificates of Deposit	\$15,060	
Total	\$24,660	

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Take Action!

Check out the Take Action articles in our Council and Chapter News, and at *takeaction.moaa.org/moaa/?0*.

Advocacy in Action

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Illinois Primary Election, June 28, 2022 – Please remember to register if you're not already and to vote. This election year will include all seats in the US Congress, Governor, State Executives, State House and Senate seats, State Supreme Court, Appellate Courts, Municipal governments, and certain ballot measures. Elections have consequences. Please choose to vote and let your voice be heard!

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Please join us for our Chapter Business Meeting on 18 June, 11:00 am Picnic & Chapter 2022 Wrap-Up Community Park, Pavilions #1 & #2, O'Fallon IL (in front of the Rec Center) Bring food, drinks, chairs for your family Attire: "June Picnic Attire"

Upcoming Programs (all are tentative due to pandemic restrictions)

Date	Venue	Торіс
Sep 2022	Tavern on Main, Belleville IL	Chapter 2022-23 Kick Off
Oct 2022	Venue to be Determined	Meeting
Nov 2022	Horseshoe Restaurant & Lounge, O'Fallon IL	Lunch & Meeting
Dec 2022	Cardinal Creek Golf Course, Scott AFB IL	Christmas Dinner & Scholarship Auction

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A FEW GOOD MEN/WOMEN NEEDED.....

It is time to think about election of officers for the Chapter. The elected positions are *president*, *vice president*, *secretary*, and *treasurer*. Board positions include but are not limited to *programs*, *legislative issues*, *newsletter editor*, *surviving spouse liaison*, *USO/Fisher House drive*, and *scholarship*.

Please consider volunteering for one of the above. If you are interested, or to nominate yourself or someone else, please contact any board member for more information, or email the newsletter editor at <u>moaa.swil@gmail.com</u>. We need new blood!

We'll be taking nominations for each position and voting at our Business Meeting this May.

President's Message (continued)

ROTC and JROTC medals were provided to the five high schools and two ROTC detachments in our catchment area. We inherited the ROTC unit at SIU Carbondale in our redistricting.

We are now urgently seeking a Chapter Secretary for the Board. Please consider helping out the Chapter and the Board.

This June will mark 46 years of our Chapter's existence. Let's keep the record going and continue our good work in the community. Thank you for serving in the past and now. And God bless all our members, veterans, and currently serving military, and this great United States of America!

Legislative News (continued)

What TRICARE Beneficiaries Need to Know About DoD's Budget Plans

By: Karen Ruedisueli | May 4, 2022

MOAA's advocacy efforts have paid off with good news in the recently released Defense Budget Overview for FY 2023 for military families, retirees and their families, and survivors who rely on the military health system for medical care.

The budget narrative announces a one-year strategic pause to all planned medical end strength divestitures to ensure "beneficiaries continue to have uninterrupted access to high-quality care" and "the Department's military force structure, including military medical end strength, remains optimized to meet the operational requirements of the department."

Defense Health Program budget details also confirm DoD has requested no new TRICARE fee increases, a relief for military families and retirees who experienced sticker shock after military health system (MHS) reforms resulted in multiple out-of-pocket cost hikes starting in 2018.

Continued Vigilance

Since 2019, MOAA has been working to ensure medical billet cuts do not interfere with operational requirements or beneficiary access to care, so we appreciate DoD's commitment to ensuring all MHS changes are conditions-based.

The civilian health care system has changed significantly since MHS reforms were passed into law with the FY 2017 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). MOAA continues to raise awareness on Capitol Hill regarding instability in the civilian health care workforce and the potential impacts on the MHS, including recent research findings from the Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) indicating 1 in 5 physicians intend to leave their clinical practice within the next year.

MOAA has also been at the forefront of protecting military families and retirees from TRICARE fee increases and, during MHS reforms, was successful in grandfathering servicemembers and working-age retirees who entered service before Jan. 1, 2018, from the bulk of TRICARE fee hikes. MOAA also successfully blocked five consecutive proposals for a TRICARE For Life enrollment fee.

Addressing and preventing further disproportionate TRICARE fee increases remains a top advocacy priority for MOAA. Reducing mental health copays, which more than doubled as a result of MHS reforms, was one of the key issues of our spring advocacy campaign.

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Legislative News (continued)

VA Plans to Open 4 New Burial Sites in the Next 2 Years

By Patricia Kime, Military.Com | April 27, 2022

After several years of planning and delays, the Department of Veterans Affairs is pushing for funding to open four new, unique burial sites within the next two years -- two columbaria in major cities and two rural cemeteries in the West that eventually will entomb 310,000 veterans or family members.

The four sites are in New York City; Indianapolis; Elko, Nevada; and Cedar City, Utah, and will cost the VA \$3 million next year to ensure that they will open and be staffed within the next two years.

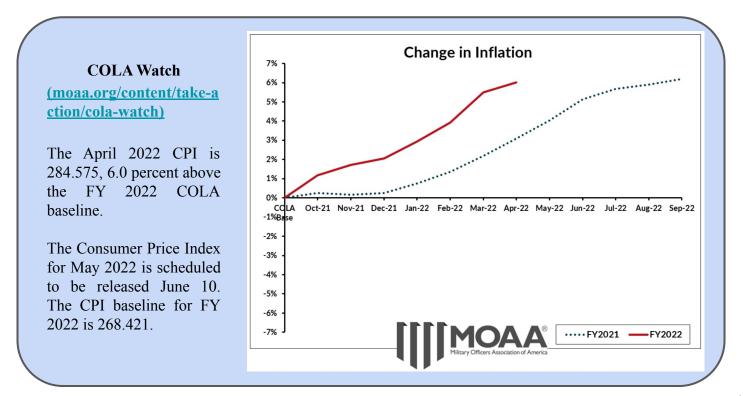
The New York site in Queens and the Indiana site, first proposed in 2015, are part of the VA's Urban Initiative effort, which looks to provide columbarium-only locations for cremated bodies in city centers with few in-ground burial options.

Under the Urban Initiative, the VA has plans to build facilities in five cities across the country. To date, Los Angeles has been the only one to open, first taking cremated remains in 2019. The remainder have been delayed by months and even years, including a new columbarium planned for San Francisco that was set to open in 2015 but whose date has been pushed to 2027.

Under revised plans, the VA had hoped to open the New York and Indianapolis columbaria by mid-2021 and one in Chicago in 2022. The department is now planning for a dedication of the New York and Indianapolis facilities this summer.

Among the eight new national cemeteries in rural areas, the VA has dedicated and opened six, with the Elko, Nevada, and Cedar City, Utah, sites remaining.

VA officials also have requested \$9.4 million for 2023 for existing cemeteries that are facing "workload increases and project expansions." The VA estimates that 570,000 veterans will die in 2022, and roughly 136,500 of those will be buried in VA cemeteries. *Continued next page*



Legislative News (continued)

In 2018, the VA had 3.7 million gravesites; the number is expected to reach 4.2 million in 2023.

"This budget request is essential for NCA to maintain its position as the "most highly regarded organization, in both the public and private sectors, in terms of customer satisfaction," officials wrote in the budget documents.

Also as part of its budget proposal, the VA has asked Congress for legislation that would allow it to designate parts of cemeteries as "green burial sections," where veterans could choose to have their gravesites marked by means other than upright headstones or choose to be buried without a vault.

The VA also has asked to receive two acres of land at Fort Bliss, Texas, to expand the national cemetery and again has requested legislation that would allow it to keep veterans out of national cemeteries who allegedly committed serious sex crimes but died before being convicted or fled to avoid prosecution.

FY 2023 Appropriations: Will Congress Deliver, or Delay?

By: Dan Merry | April 26, 2022

Full appropriations for FY 2022 were signed into law March 15, after nearly six months of restricted funding based on the previous year's appropriations. Where will we stand at the beginning of FY 2023?

If past is prologue, we may see another sequence of continuing resolutions (CRs), the result of Congress failing to fully fund the government. And if Congress cannot agree on the length of a CR, we could face a government shutdown as the fiscal year begins Oct. 1 - just five weeks before the midterm elections.

For decades, CRs have become a crutch for Congress. Lawmakers have passed a budget before the start of the new fiscal year just four times since FY 1977.

One would think, in a midterm election year, Congress would work overtime to deliver appropriations by the Sept. 30 deadline to garner support from their electorate. But try as they might, and given the demand signals from all ends, lawmakers haven't wrapped up their budget work on time since FY 1997.

Here is how Congress fared over some recent election years:

- **2020:** The first CR pushed the deadline back to Dec. 11, then four more moved it to Dec. 28. Appropriations passed Dec. 27.
- 2018: The first CR pushed the deadline back to Dec. 7, then another moved it to Dec. 21. The president vetoed a proposed extension to Feb. 8, 2019, triggering a 35-day partial government shutdown the longest such shutdown in U.S. history. It ended when three comprehensive appropriations bills were signed into law Feb. 15.
- **2016:** After a CR through Dec. 9, two more extensions pushed the deadline to May 5, 2017. The president signed omnibus appropriations legislation that day over seven months into the fiscal year.
- 2014: A series of CRs pushed the deadline to Dec. 17. On Dec. 16, the president signed the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, which included full appropriations for all areas but those under the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The act included a CR for DHS through Feb. 27, 2015, but another was needed through early March before full funds were allotted.
- 2012: A long-term CR pushed the deadline to March 27. The day before it expired, the president signed the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, combining full appropriations for most areas through the fiscal year with a full-year CR for a range of sectors, including the departments of Energy, Interior, Labor, and State, along with financial services and other small agencies.

Legislative News (continued) Finding a Long-Term Solution

Congress will continue to fail at keeping its own rules, and it is unlikely the political will exists to enforce the current timeline. Our servicemembers and their families suffer during CRs, and the

practice is terribly wasteful of taxpayers' dollars. Appropriating funds for a longer period, every two years, may be necessary to create some badly needed predictability.

Given this history, it is difficult to imagine our Congress will have a funding solution for the whole of government by the end of September. However, these are unique times: slowly emerging from the cloud of COVID, rampant inflation, a near-peer country invading its neighbor, and a president's budget that attempts to deal with these uncertainties. If ever there were enough compelling and contributing factors to "getting this done," this would be the year.

We must not kick the FY 2023 budget into the next year for a new session of Congress to deal with — this Congress has an obligation to not leave with unfinished appropriations on the table.

If we are to make progress, we must have the appropriations to match the authorizations and budget submitted to Congress. Without full funding, departments must execute "today's mission" with yesterday's appropriations, which are exceedingly inadequate.

YOUR MONEY

MOAA-Backed Bill Would Expand Credit Monitoring to More Servicemembers

By: Kevin Lilley | May 4, 2022

The Servicemembers' Credit Monitoring Enhancement Act (H.R. 7526) would support the Guard and Reserve members who "make enormous sacrifices to keep this country safe," said Rep. Tim Ryan (D-Ohio), a co-sponsor of the legislation alongside Rep. Elise Stefanik (R-N.Y.). "To lift their economic burdens and increase the financial readiness of our forces, we should do everything we can to provide them with the information and resources they need to live financially secure lives outside the military."

The bill also expands the benefit to include those in the commissioned corps of the U.S. Public Health Service and NOAA – another reason it has garnered support from MOAA.

"Ensuring all uniformed servicemembers have equal access to financial resources as the active component is vital for our national defense," said Cory Titus, MOAA's director of government relations for veteran benefits and Guard and Reserve affairs.

Active duty servicemembers, including those in the National Guard and Reserve on active status, already qualify for free electronic credit monitoring from the three nationwide credit reporting agencies – Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion – under a Federal Trade Commission (FTC) rule stemming from a 2018 law. Details on using the benefit are available at the credit bureau websites.

The rule also requires crediting reporting agencies to notify servicemembers within 48 hours of any "material additions or modifications" to their credit file, and to ensure the members receive free access to the file to review the change. More details are available from the FTC at this link.

"Our servicemembers have all taken an oath to protect our nation, and ..." Stefanik said ... "[as] they answer the call to duty, they deserve to do so with the peace of mind that their finances will be securely monitored."

For more financial resources, including fraud avoidance and other guidance for past and present servicemembers and their families, visit MOAA.org/finance.

Your Money (continued)

Where Could Your COLA Land in 2023?

By: Kevin Lilley | April 27, 2022

While the figures determining the annual COLA won't be set until later in the year ... predictions point to a major uptick from last year's 5.9% COLA. The Senior Citizens League, a nonpartisan advocacy group, predicted an 8.9% 2023 COLA increase based on the March data. That's up from the group's 7.6% estimate the previous month. If that figure holds, it would be the third-largest COLA since 1975, behind an 11.2% increase in January 1982 and a 14.3% boost the previous year. No other increases topped 10%.

... From the Bost Bulletin

Supporting Our Servicemembers

This past week, I met with Colonel Robert Norman, USAF (Retired) and Colonel Richard Smith, USAF (Retired) from the Military Officers Association of America in my O'Fallon office. We discussed ways we can continue to work together to support our active duty servicemembers and veterans. I'm proud to represent the men and women of Scott Air Force Base in Congress and will continue working to ensure they have the resources they need to succeed.

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Mike meets with Colonel Robert Norman, USAF (Retired) and Colonel Richard Smith, USAF (Retired) from the Military Officers Association of America to discuss his work to support America's servicemembers.

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If you aren't a member of the SW IL MOAA Chapter, visit our Membership Page:

<u>moaa-swil.org/pages/membership.html</u> To join MOAA: <u>https://www.moaa.org/why-join-moaa/</u>

Call for Articles! If you want to submit an article for the Eyes to the Skies, just send the draft article to <u>moaa.swil@gmail.com</u>. Please keep these things in mind:

• Submit your article by the 10th of the month prior

• The article must be in MS Word or text format We reserve the right to edit the article so it fits in the newsletter and meets our (and MOAA's) editorial policy.

Editorial Policy

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COUNCIL AND CHAPTER NEWS

A Letter to the MOAA SW IL Chapter

Dear SW Illinois MOAA Member,

Do you know the status of your dues? Annual dues are paid through the end of the fiscal year, June 2022 in this case.

We value your support, and want you to continue as a member of our chapter. Please send in your dues by the end of June. Dues are \$8 per year, and you can pay ahead up to 5 years, \$40. For surviving spouses, the dues are only \$4 per year.

Please make the check out to SW Illinois MOAA and send the check to:

SW Illinois MOAA PO Box 735 O'Fallon, IL 62269

COVID-19 has greatly limited our In-Person activities, but as the situation gets better, you will see more opportunities to participate in Chapter activities in our newsletter. Our newsletter has won MOAA awards and is packed with useful information. And our Chapter continues to receive awards for the contributions made by you and other members. Help us to continue our success and outreach to the military community.

Thank for your support,

Bob Norman, President Phil Yavorsky, Treasurer

USO and FISHER HOUSE DRIVE A ROUSING SUCCESS

Once again the drive to benefit the USO and Fisher House was a great success. Thank you all for your donations to our annual USO and Fisher House drive. Between the Southwest IL Chapter and St Michael's Episcopal Church we will deliver a total of \$8200.00. We received donations from Oregon to Florida. Even when our members leave the area, they still support us.

O'Fallon Township High School and the Dupo High School Corp continued to raise the bar in their contributions. The cadets collected two vans loads for Fisher House and the USO needed a bigger and truck to empty my garage.

A special thanks to Narni Cahil and St Michael's Episcopal Church, Phil Yarvorski, and Nancy and Bob Norman.

God bless you all and keep you in the palm of His hand. Stay safe everyone.

Ann Morey

Council and Chapter News (continued)

Chapter Report

IL-05 Southwest: Col Norman

Southwest Chapter Membership: Current membership: 140 Current active members: 140

Meetings:

Past Chapter Meetings:

- Southwest Chapter Board conducted monthly meetings February through May
- Next Chapter Board meeting is scheduled for Sep 10, in-person
- Future Board meetings will remain virtual
- Southwest Chapter conducted the Annual Business meeting in May

Future Chapter Meetings:

- Jun 18, 1130 AM, O'Fallon City Park, O'Fallon IL, Picnic (bring your own meal)
- No Board Meetings, June, July 2022
- No Chapter Meetings, July, August 2022
- Aug 22, 2022, 6:30 PM: Board Meeting, virtual
- Sep 10, 2022, 1130 AM, Location TBD
- Sep 26, 2022, 6:30 PM: Board Meeting, virtual
- Oct 20, 2022, 4:30 PM, Global Brew, O'Fallon IL, Happy Hour
- Oct 24, 2022, 6:30 PM: Board Meeting, virtual
- Nov 12, 2022, 6 PM: Chapter Meeting, Location/Program TBD
- Nov 28, 2022, 6:30 PM: Board Meeting, virtual
- Dec 10, 2022, 6 PM: Chapter meeting, Scholarship Fundraiser, Location TBD

Activities:

- Collected donations for Missouri USO and St Louis Fisher House
- Awarded two scholarships to legacy recipients: Sarah Pollman, granddaughter of Richard & Delores Kosco, was awarded the \$2,000 Inez Peters Memorial Scholarship, and Lily Nicolette, granddaughter of Bob & Yasemin Koss, was awarded the \$1,000 CWO Charles Nalley Scholarship. No JROTC students applied for the \$1,000 Freedom Scholarship

Other: Southwest was recognized as a 5-Star LOE winner for the Col Marvin Harris Communications Award for 2021. Col Norman submitted the 2021 LOE input for the Chapter. Board meetings are conducted virtually for two reasons: (1) more convenient and less time consuming for the Board, and (2) COVID transmission is still an issue for some members. Chapter meetings are waning due to the cost of setting up meeting locations and interest in programs being presented. Lt Col Ann Morey was our POC for the Missouri USO & St Louis Fisher House collections, raising nearly \$9,000 and receiving household good donations from Dupo and O'Fallon Township High School JROTC. We supported five high school JROTC units with MOAA medals, and two ROTC detachments—one at SIUE, and one we picked up at SIUC—with MOAA medals, Gold Bars, and the book Lincoln on Leadership. We have to figure out a way to keep the Chapter vital and viable especially after growing our physical area to the southern third of the State. Communications Officer, Maj (ret) Rick Sunner and I still need to discuss the use of Social Media after both of us having seen the presentation from MOAA National. I still have not heard about my request for MOAA National to have Lt Gen (ret) Atkins sign a certificate of appreciation for Col Nick Wartonick (USAF, ret) for his service as our Missouri USO & St Louis Fisher House donation POC. Our Board

Council and Chapter News (continued)

secretary has turned in her resignation and we'll be seeking a replacement. Not sure we'll find one soon. Col Norman and Col Smith participated in this year's Advocacy in Action, meeting Congressman Bost at his office, and staffers of 4 other Illinois Representatives and Senator Durbin.

News from National MOAA

For more information about the articles in this month's newsletter and how you can get more involved in other issues, visit the MOAA <u>Take Action Center</u> or <u>News</u> webpages. Also, here is one of the active Legislative Campaigns MOAA is engaged in.

TRICARE Changes, Pay Raise Top MOAA Priorities as NDAA Timeline Takes Shape (Link)

While MOAA's annual Advocacy in Action campaign may be over, efforts to protect your earned benefits through legislation are only ramping up, especially as the early stages of the FY 2023 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) process come into focus.

The House Armed Services Committee released its NDAA schedule late last month, with subcommittee markups set for the week of June 6 and the full committee tackling the bill on June 22 in what has been a marathon markup session in years past. While these sessions aren't the only periods where key passages can be added to the NDAA – and while the Senate has yet to reveal its timeline – they represent a major touchstone for what can be a complicated process of competing amendments and last-minute changes.

Here are just some of major issues and MOAA priorities surrounding the NDAA, including how you can help get MOAA's message out to your lawmakers.

- TRICARE Costs and Changes
- Military Pay and Other Benefits

Click on the link next to the title to read more about this article.

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Don't Go Phishing!

by Rick Sunner | 15 May 2022

I've studied Cybersecurity for quite awhile and have read many case studies. I don't often see a real-world cybersecurity incident. But not only did I see a real-world Phishing incident, I was part of it!

A little over a week ago, I received the email depicted in the picture below. I know Bob Norman, so receiving the email didn't surprise me. And I almost... ALMOST replied. But then I noticed that the email address wasn't quite right. You see, the normal email address is @att.net, like the email stated. But the

Reply-To email address was @outlook.com. This is a classic Phishing email.

Somehow, the Phisher-man (or woman) was able to send this email to everyone on Bob's address list. So, although I was lucky enough to avoid this Phishing attempt, others weren't so lucky.

Phishing emails can look VERY close to real ones, so look at them carefully. In particular, look at the email addresses. And if in doubt, don't reply–contact the recipient using a new email and manually type the address. And by all means, STAY SAFE!

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SW IL VETERANS NEWS

IL Veterans Service Office: the <u>VSO</u> provides free assistance to veterans, their dependents, and survivors in navigating complex services and benefits. The nearest VSO is in Belleville, and can be contacted at 618-233-8445/5140.

Visit the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs (IDVA) by following this link. Here are some articles:

- On the <u>Advocacy</u> page...
 - <u>Compensation</u>, many programs exist to compensate veterans and families for their service.
 - <u>State Licenses and Military Training</u>, the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs and numerous Illinois state agencies are actively taking steps to develop policies and procedures through which military experience can be applied toward professional licensing standards.
 - <u>Service Animals</u>, Service Animals are instrumental in supporting veterans through transition back to civilian life and the challenges of post-traumatic stress disorder.
- <u>Healthcare</u>, the IDVA has gathered resources and referrals to help veterans find care that align with their unique needs.
- <u>Statewide Veteran Organizations</u>, Illinois offers a wide-range of veterans' organizations that provide resources, programs, and support.
- <u>Education</u>, As a veteran, there are education programs available which you and your family may use for a wide variety of approved education and training programs including apprenticeship and on-the-job training, college degree and certificate programs, flight training, and correspondence courses. Each program provides different benefits to different groups of individuals and offers a specified number of "months" of benefits.

For information on services available to the aging population, please visit the <u>Illinois Department on Aging</u>.

Use the links below to read some timely veteran-related articles.

- <u>Operation HerStory</u> -- Gwen M. Diehl. Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs Veteran Home Coordinator joined the Operation HerStory all-female honor flight on October 6th.
- <u>Free Legal Aid for IL Veterans</u> -- Active Duty Servicemembers, Veterans, Guard, Reserve, and spouses/dependents can receive free legal aid through the IL Armed Forces Legal Aid Network.
- <u>Illinois Veterans Newsletters</u> -- Award-winning email newsletter created by IDVA, delivers important news and information to the Illinois veteran community. (March 2020 edition at this <u>link</u>.)
- <u>Veterans Drivers License</u> -- Veteran's designation helps ensure military veterans receive the services and benefits for which they are entitled.

MOAA Travel Benefit

(Advertisement)

MOAA Vacations is a travel benefit operated by MOAA's partner Brennco. In addition to saving members money, offering free amenities, and facilitating travel with fellow members as part of larger MOAA groups, MOAA Vacations supports MOAA on both a national and local chapter level. Whenever a member, their family, or their friends travel through MOAA Vacations, 1% of the commission we receive is given back to their requested local chapter each year.

Now there is a limited chance to earn even more. There are 12 remaining cabins on the MOAA Group Douro River Cruise, June 5-12, 2022. MOAA Vacations will pay our chapter a \$500 bonus commission if you can help sell one cabin to your members. This is in addition to the annual 1% remuneration.

Find more information on the cruise at <u>www.brennco.com/MOAAVACATIONS/TMF</u>.

Southwest Illinois Chapter Military Officers Association of America P.O. Box 735 O'Fallon IL 62269

Meeting Announcement

This month we will be holding our final meeting before the Summer Break on 18 June 2022 at 11:00 am at Community Park in O'Fallon IL. (See Program News for details.)

RSVP Reservation Deadline: no reservation needed!