



HEART OF AMERICA CHAPTER

Military Officers Association of America

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Senator Roy Blunt's Kansas City Field Representative Michael Clarke is September Speaker

Our speaker at the September 23 luncheon meeting will be Michael Clarke. Michael Clarke is a field representative for Senator Roy Blunt in his Kansas City district office. He has been with Senator Blunt's office since Veteran's Day of 2013, with a short hiatus to work on Senator Blunt's re-election campaign in 2016. Prior to that, Michael worked with Congressman Billy Long in Springfield, MO and was a regional field director for Mitt Romney's 2012 presidential campaign. Michael has worked extensively on a range of issues for the Senator's office, most notably VA and veterans issues, and liaising with Kansas City's growing tech community.

Our Meeting will be held September 23, 2017 (4th Saturday) at the new DAV (Disabled American Veterans) building at 14605 East Hwy 40, Kansas City, MO 64136. The Auxiliary Luncheon begins at 1145 hours with the MOAA Luncheon beginning at 1215 hours. Cost of the lunch is \$12.00.

To get to the DAV from Independence, Missouri, exit off I-70 onto Noland to go south for 1 mile to E Hwy 40.

Turn left and drive one-half mile. DAV is on the south side of E Hwy 40.

Everyone please have a meal reservation in by Monday of the week before the luncheon. Those on the permanent list need to call only if they will be absent. Substitute meals must be made at time of reservation. Cancellations must be called in by 9:00 a.m. Saturday of the luncheon. Reservations are imperative in order to provide meals for all who attend.

To make reservations, contact Samuel or Judy Leonard by telephone at 816-792-0744 or by e-mail at jlynn2@kc.rr.com by Monday before the meeting.

PLEASE — No reservations can be accepted after 1000 on Monday especially requests for substitute meals.

2017 Meeting Calendar

28 January*	No July Meeting
25 February *	26 August*
25 March *	23 September
22 April	28 October*
20 May * (3rd Sat)	18 November* (3rd Sat)
24 June (Chapter Picnic)	9 December (Holiday Party)

NOTE: All Meetings are on the 4th Saturday EXCEPT as indicated. They vary according to a holiday or available date.

*(Exec Council meets at 10:00 am)

Web Site: www.moaahoa.org/

Meeting Information

TOPIC: VA and Veterans Issues

SPEAKER: Michael Clarke

Saturday, September 23, 2017

TIME: 11:30 a.m. - Auxiliary
12:15 p.m. - MOAA

MENU: Chicken Fried Steak, Vegetable,
Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Salad,
Roll/Butter, Coffee, Iced Tea, Dessert

*(Substitute Meals of Baked Chicken Breast or
Hamburger Steak must be requested at Time of
Reservation)*

LOCATION:

Disabled American Veterans
14605 East Highway 40
Kansas City, Missouri 64136

Call Sam and Judy Leonard at 816-792-0744 for
Reservations or e-mail jlynn2@kc.rr.com

Notes from the President



by G. Bruce Eveland



As you know our chapter tries extremely hard to provide assistance in every way possible to support to our military families and our community. In sitting here, it reminded me of the oath I took to become a commissioned officer.

OATH OF A COMMISSIONED OFFICER

I, G. Bruce Eveland, having been appointed an officer in the Army of the United States, as indicated above in the

grade of 2nd Lieutenant do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservations or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter; So help me God". (DA Form 71, for officers').

If I had the opportunity to add to this oath, I would add, "I will provide support and assistance whenever possible to my officers and soldiers and their families under me", or words to that effect. Why, because I believe there isn't a commissioned officer who can state he never had a great respect for his officers and enlisted personnel. In other circumstances or occasions, this may not have the case!

Regardless, we remember those occasions and their rendered support. That is the reason your Heart of American Chapter is doing all we can do within our means to provide Family Support whenever this is possible. We are specifically focusing on active duty and reserve. There is no difference between these services. Our hearts and concerns must focus on what we can do to assist the military families.

So far this year, you have been most generous, and I am respectfully request your generosity continue. As you mail in your 2018 dues, take a moment to reflect what your donations can do to assist our military families. More information will be forth coming.

Thank you very much for permitting me to be your President these last two years.

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2017 Heart of America Chapter Officers

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Chaplain VACANT

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Auxiliary News



Greetings Auxiliary Members!

We have two families that need our prayers right now. Please include the hansford and Rizzi families on your prayer list. Ask for strength and healing for all members of these two families. I have no doubt that the strength, prayers and love that our auxiliary can give will help.

The first day of fall is September 22nd ... where did the summer go? Is it me or does time go faster as we age??

Thanks to Ann Rizzi, our hostess last month, for providing every auxiliary member with a beautiful flower pot of mums. Certainly helped me to be inspired with fall decor!

Our next meeting will be September 23 at the DAV, 11:30 am, just prior to the MOAA luncheon and program. Our hostess for September will be Glenna Harvey.

Until then, be safe. I need each and every one of you.

Susan

Susan Eveland
Auxiliary President
MOAA-HOAC

Heart of America Chapter Photos



Pictured at left is Chapter President COL G. Bruce Eveland presenting our August guest speaker, COL Ivan Glasco, who spoke about the JROTC Program, a thank you gift from the chapter.

Pictured are members of the Chapter and Auxillary enjoying the dessert at the August luncheon as COL G. Bruce Eveland prepares to start the program.



Pictured are members of the Chapter and Auxillary watching the slide presentation by COL Ivan Glasco about the JROTC Program.



Heart of America Chapter (HOAC)

Chapter and/or Auxiliary Membership Application/Renewal or Scholarship Donation

Name: _____ Date: _____

Membership Dues: Chapter \$20 Year

Scholarship Donation?

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