



HEART OF AMERICA CHAPTER

Military Officers Association of America

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Stephen K. Lehnardt speaks about Financial Planning on October 27th

Stephen K. Lehnardt is our October 27th speaker. Stephen is one of the founding partners of Lehnardt & Lehnardt, LLC. His focus with clients is as a professional legal counselor, although he likes to refer to himself as “an enabler” who first listens to discover what his clients need and want, and then counsels with his clients to help them get what they want... legally.



Whether estate planning, asset protection planning, business counsel, tax avoidance, or government benefits, Stephen acknowledges and quantifies the complexities that challenge even the simplest goals. He simplifies matters so clients can focus clearly and efficiently on what they want. Stephen helps families with special needs, farmers and businessmen, investors and entrepreneurs, heirs and beneficiaries, Veterans and seniors.

Our Meeting will be held October 27, 2018 (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 must have a meal reservation by Monday of the week before the luncheon. Substitute meals must be made at time of reservation. Cancellations must be called in by 9:00 a.m. Saturday of the luncheon.

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.

Meeting Information

TOPIC: *Financial Guidance*

SPEAKER: *Stephen K. Lehnardt
Lehnardt & Lehnardt LLC*

Saturday, October 27, 2018

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

MENU: *Orange Roughy, Vegetable,
Wild Rice, Salad, Roll/Butter,
Dessert, Coffee, Iced Tea,*

*(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*

2018 Meeting Calendar

27 January*	No July Meeting
24 February	25 August*
24 March *	22 September
28 April	27 October*
19 May * (3rd Sat)	17 November* (3rd Sat)
23 June (Chapter Picnic)	8 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 10:30 am)

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Notes from the President



by Jerry Magliano



Autumn is finally here. I am sure we are all thankful for relief from the Summer heat. As some of you might be aware, October is Agent Orange Awareness Month. If you are a Vietnam Vet, there is a good chance you served with someone who fell victim to this terrible toxic chemical. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

As I mentioned last month, much must be accomplished the last few months of this year.

We have a committee working with our Treasurer to formulate the 2019 Budget.

We also have a team which will be working on our MOAA Military Family Initiative Grant.

We need to put our 2019 officer slate together. We know at least two positions will be open, President and Treasurer. You can nominate yourself or someone else in the Chapter.

Our primary speaker on November 17th will be Paul Stone who is a Veterans Service Officer. He would like us to fill out a survey for his visit. It will be distributed at our October meeting.

I have also invited Debbie Austin, Gold Star Mother, and Sara Loar, Community Veterans Project to attend to talk about their organizations. I recently spoke to the President of the Sunflower Chapter and met with the Vice President to discuss both Chapters problems attracting new members and filling officer positions. The subject of consolidating our Chapters to achieve economies of scale and have a larger pool of members to call upon to serve as officers was brought up. More on this to come in the future. Your thoughts are welcome.

LtGen Adkins will be visiting the Sunflower Chapter at a luncheon at the Deer Creek Country Club located in Overland Park at 133rd and Metcalf on Tuesday, October 16th. The Sunflower Chapter has invited us to attend. If you want to attend, RSVP to John Becker, their VP, at 913-232-9914 or 913-954-2351. Hope you will take advantage of this rare opportunity to meet directly with our national leader.

I will be back in New Jersey the end of this month for my 60th high school reunion (ugh) and will not be at our October meeting. Grant Montgomery will be presiding.

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2018 Heart of America Chapter Officers

POSITION	RANK	OFFICER	HOME
President	Maj	Jerry Magliano	913-530-1761
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Immed Past President	COL	G. Bruce Eveland	609-238-6141
Auxiliary President	Mrs.	Diane Christianson	816-240-8315

APPOINTED OFFICERS:

Chaplain VACANT

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS):

Finance	Col	Garey Reeves	816-524-5571
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Auxiliary News

Welcome October:

October is here with the first frost coming, pumpkins being put out, and cooler temperatures. I want to thank Jo Lawrence for being our hostess last month. It was a great idea to help replenish our office supplies. Susan Eveland is heading up the committee for nominating our officers for next year. Please let her know if you are willing to take an office. Our slate of officers will be announced at our October meeting, voted on in November and installed at our Christmas party on December 8. Please plan on attending our Christmas Party. It is very festive and a good time to enjoy each other's company. Please come join us October 27 as I will be the hostess and we would love to have you come.

Diane Christianson
Auxiliary President
MOAA-HOAC

Vets Groups Urge Trump Administration to Keep Pressure on GI Bill Fraud

Twenty-eight veterans groups and military service organizations have called on the Trump administration to scrap deregulation proposals that they said would limit oversight of “bad actor” schools preying on veterans using the GI Bill. In a letter last month to Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, the organizations urged her “to strengthen, not discard, common-sense protections against waste, fraud and abuse by bad actor colleges.”

The letter was aimed at proposed changes to regulations under the government’s Title IV authorities of the Higher Education Act, part of the administration’s overall deregulation drive, which the White House has touted as a main factor in the booming economy.

“Weakening or discarding these regulations would allow low-quality colleges to defraud service members, veterans, their families and survivors — as well as taxpayers,” the letter said.

The organizations signing the letter included AMVETS, Vietnam Veterans of America, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, Blue Star Families, the National Military Family Association and Veterans Education Success.

The groups called on DeVos to retain the requirement “that colleges have ‘regular and substantive interaction’ between instructors and students” to ensure that schools “do not skirt their educational duties and charge exorbitant tuition for what amounts to an online textbook or YouTube video.”

The groups also argued against limiting the ability of state authorities to oversee the quality of higher education, which they said would “strip individual states of their long-held ability to protect their citizens’ right to receive quality educations.”

Carrie Wofford, president of Veterans Education Success, said the groups would also like to make sure there’s a veteran or military representative on the panels that will decide on the rules changes following a period of public comment.

Of particular concern to the groups is the possibility that DeVos will eliminate regulations enacted during the administration of former President Barack Obama requiring for-profit colleges to show that they could provide reasonable access to “gainful employment” to the students they enroll.

Several veterans testified on the need for more oversight at public hearings held last month by the Education Department on the proposed rules changes.

September Meeting Photos



Chapter President Jerry Magliano presents gold medal to speaker Aaron Barnhart



Speaker Aaron Barnhart presenting a slide presentation to HOA MOAA members

YOU CAN HELP: In November the Chapter will be mailing the 2019 membership dues statement. You can save the Chapter the cost of printing and mailing a dues invoice by completing the form below and mail the form with your check before 17 November 2017 or by purchasing your membership at the November 17 Chapter Meeting.



Heart of America Chapter (HOAC)

Chapter and Auxiliary Membership Application or Renewal

Date: _____ Is this Renewal or Application Request: _____

Name: _____ Primary Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____

Chapter Dues are \$20/Yr

Auxiliary Dues are \$5/Yr

Checks payable to: HOAC/MOAA

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