



Fort George G. Meade Chapter

Officers Call



Nov/Dec 2016

**Five Star Chapter Award 2009, 2010,
2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, & 2015**



President's Message

Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah, and Best Wishes for the New Year in 2017. The Board of Directors is looking at new venues for both luncheons and dinner meetings with the option of occasionally meeting at Club Meade. Our next luncheon meeting is scheduled for Thursday January 5th, 2017 at the All American Steakhouse in Odenton, Maryland. Details are on the back of this newsletter and a flyer will also be sent out to the membership.

2017 will be an exciting year and we are looking forward to the installation of our new Chapter President Bryon Hartzog. We have several open positions in the chapter and could use your help. The board was saddened to receive the resignation of our Personal Affairs Officer Eleanor Layman effective 12/31/2016. Eleanor has served the chapter and Maryland Council of Chapters in several capacities most recently as the Auxiliary Advisor to the Council. Some of you may recall that Eleanor was the first winner of MOAA national's Auxiliary Chair award in 2014. Thank you Eleanor for all you have done for the chapter and MDCOC. We will miss your steady support and guidance on the board but are elated to hear you will still be a regular attendee at the chapter meetings.

The chapter finished the year on a positive note with our November guest speaker Harvey Pullen of First Command Financial Services explaining everything you wanted to know about Long Term Care Insurance. We anticipate Mr. Pullen returning to speak on other financial issues in the future. In addition, the chapter picked up the Levels of Excellence Award for 2015 on November 3rd at the Sheraton Hotel in Arlington, VA. The chapter will compete again for a Five Star Award in the LOE competition and is currently assembling our accomplishments in the 2016 year for submission to MOAA national.

This will be my last newsletter as I step down from the chapter on January 5th but I would like to thank the Board of Directors and key officers in the chapter for all their hard work and the general membership for their support. I encourage more chapter members to serve either on the BOD or in other positions in the chapter such as Public Affairs Officer, Personal Affairs (tough act to follow after Eleanor), or as newsletter editor.

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Notable Quotes

“It’s easier to fool people than to convince them that they have been fooled.” Mark Twain

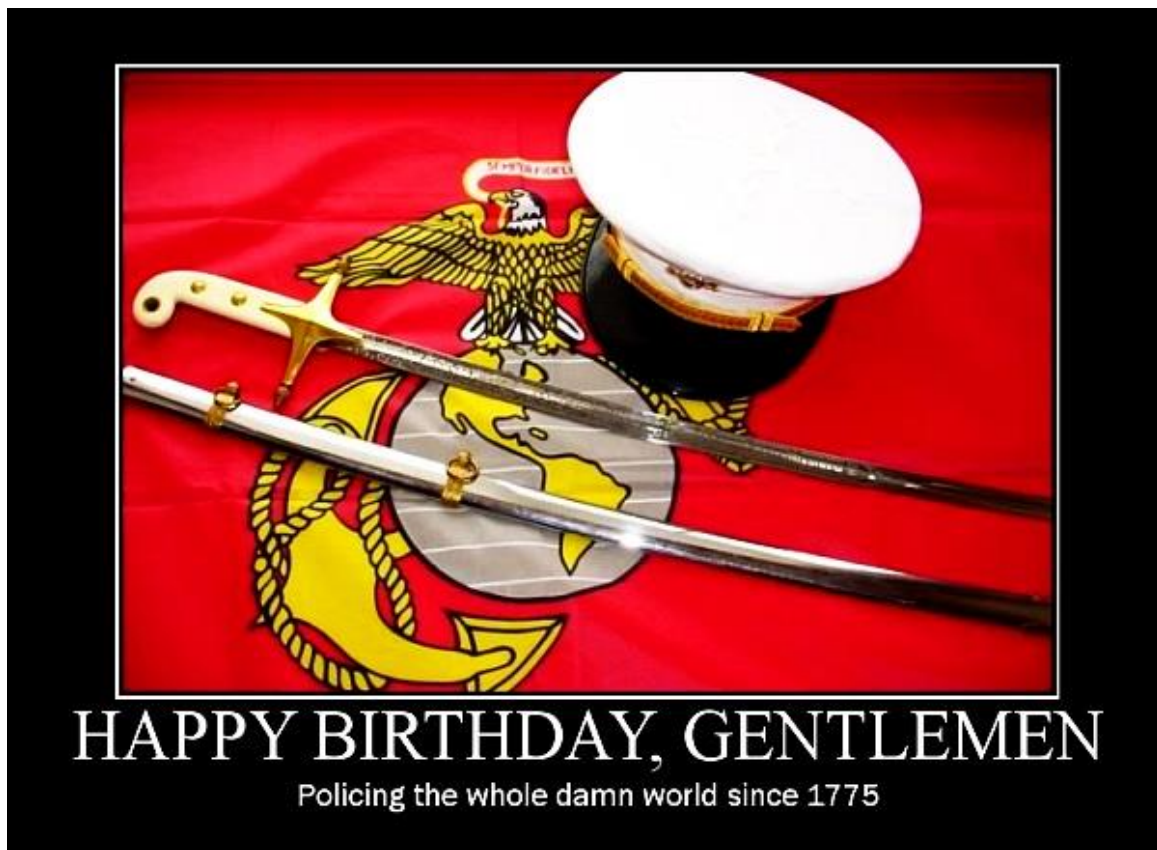
“The newspapers say: ‘Congress is deadlocked and can’t act.’ “I think that is the greatest blessing that could befall this country.” Will Rogers

“This country has come to feel the same when Congress is in session, as when the baby gets hold of a hammer.” Will Rogers

“The income tax has made more liars out of the American people than golf has.” Will Rogers

Happy Birthday USMC

Established November 10th, 1775 this is the 241st Birthday of the United States Marine Corps.



Chapter Dues

2017 dues are now payable and a dues notice will be forwarded to you with this newsletter if your membership expired or by mail if you also receive the newsletter via U.S. mail. Please make your dues payments promptly. Dues remain at \$12 for one year and \$30 for the 3 year option. Auxiliary dues are \$5 per year.

Wreaths Across America and Arlington National Cemetery



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Wreaths rest on headstones in Arlington National Cemetery following the Wreath Across America event, Dec. 17, 2016, in Arlington, Va. This year marks the 25th year that wreaths have been placed at ANC. (U.S. Army photo by Rachel Larue/Arlington National Cemetery/released)

Projected 2017 Meeting Schedule

Thursday January 5th – Luncheon Meeting
Thursday March 2nd – Luncheon Meeting
Thursday May 4th – Dinner Meeting
Thursday September 7th – Luncheon Meeting
Thursday November 2nd – Luncheon Meeting

Help Wanted – Open Positions in the Chapter that need backfills

JROTC/ROTC Awards
Newsletter/Program Editor
Public Affairs Officer
Personal Affairs Officer
Auxiliary Affairs
2nd Vice President and 1st Vice President

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The Military Officers Association of America
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MOAA Luncheon Meeting

Thursday January 5, 2017 at All American Steakhouse in Odenton,
Maryland at 11:30 AM, lunch at noon. Featured speaker is,
CAPTAIN Jim Carman, USN-Retired, former pilot American Airlines
and Vice President – MOAA Council/Chapter Support

*Bring a friend or prospective
member to the meeting!*

Cost: ? Order off menu and pay at the restaurant.

All American Steakhouse has a dozen luncheon specials for \$9.99 each or you can
choose to order from menu.

Join us at the All American Steak House
1502 Annapolis Road
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Please RSVP to:

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Reservations required by January 3rd in order to notify the restaurant.