

**Central Virginia Chapter, VCOC – MOAA
1st Quarter Report from CVC/MOAA
1 January 2023 to 31 March 2023**

<u>I. Membership:</u>	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Surviving Spouses</u>	<u>Honorary</u>	<u>Total</u>
As of 31 Dec	135	17	4	156
Gains:	6	0	0	6
Losses:	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5</u>
As of 31 Mar:	137	16	4	157

Gains: **Jonathan Booth**, Maj, USMC (Ret); **Robert Haas**, LCDR, USN (Ret); **Scott Hawken**, Capt, USAF (former); **John McCarthy**, CDR, USN (Ret); **Ralph Lopez**, CO, USA; **Fred Gortler**, Col, USAF (Ret)

Deaths: **Kevin Lavin**, Col, USAF (Ret); **Lewis Williams**, LTC USA (Ret)

Resignations: **Hans Hokans**, Capt, USAF; **Tim Stark**, CAPT USN (Ret)

Moved:

Surviving Spouses Gains or Losses: **Jolene Greene** – Resigned

II. Legislative Affairs:

1. Dan Moy and John Down met with Delegate Rob Bell on January 5, 2023 to advocate for the six Joint Leadership Council (JLC) initiatives ahead of the 2023 Legislative Session. Bell represents the 58th District in Virginia, serving the majority of our Central Virginia Chapter (CVC) members. We used the JLC’s prioritization to provide a “map” for our discussion. We also highlighted three key initiatives that had Governor Youngkin’s advance support. Bell expressed his willingness to vote for each of these initiatives as bills, although his commitment to other initiatives prohibited him from serving as a patron or co-patron.

2. On March 7, in the wake of the Session, the Legislative Committee (LegCom) responded to a question from Delegate Bell concerning the list of veteran-related measures that passed this year that we were tracking. We are thankful to Delegate Bell for his support and long tenure of service in the House of Delegates (He announced his retirement from the General Assembly in February).

III. Public Affairs:

- A. No changes.

IV. Levels of Excellence Award Scoring & Chapter Self-Evaluation Status:

- A. 5 Star LOE for Chapter. The Chapter will submit our information for the 2022 LOE by May 1.

B. Self-evaluation, 5 Star.

C. 5 Star for Col Marvin J. Harris Communications Award. The 2022 award submission was sent to national MOAA on February 1, 2023.

V. Most Significant Chapter Events of the Quarter:

- A. With the 'retirement' of our long-time Bugler editor and no identified replacement, the Chapter transitioned to a monthly mailing for luncheon information only. We are still in search of a new Bugle Editor.
- B. The Chapter held lunches in January, February, and March with approximately 60 members each luncheon. February was the highlighted luncheon attended by 'Mr. Thomas Jefferson' of Monticello who spoke to the membership for 45 minutes.
- C. Past President John Swartzwelder laid a wreath at the tomb of James Madison at the family cemetery at Montpelier.
- D. The Chapter is completing the 2023 membership drive. We expect to lose approximately 30 members from the totals listed in this report. Those numbers will be reflected in the 2nd quarter report.

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