## Hampton Roads Chapter – MOAA VCOC QUARTERLY REPORT (1st) 1 January – 31 March 2021

## I. Membership

302 (+10) with 13 active duty military and 50 surviving spouses. Current expiration totals as follows: 2017 and before (560), 2018 (28), 2019 (40), 2020 {(39 (-10)} with 99.67% national MOAA members

	<u>Regular</u>	Auxiliary	Honorary_	Total
As of 1 January:	240	39	1	280
Gains:	11	11	0	22
Losses:	<u>O</u> _	<u>O</u> _	Q	0
As of 31 March:	251	50	1	302

Chapter is currently at 99.67% national MOAA members. COVID crisis has cancelled networking socials. Emails and letters were sent to members whose memberships expired in 2020.

- **II.** Legislative Affairs: HRCMOAA's nominations for Federal and State legislative awards are being prepared for submission to VCOC for consideration. CDR Linc Smith, USN (Ret), continues to be extremely active in support of chapter, VCOC and MOAA national legislative agenda and priorities attending numerous events at the state and national level, events attended by elected officials and veterans. Virtual contact and presence with our Virginia delegation continues during the restrictions for personal contact imposed by the coronavirus.
- III. Community Affairs: Annual MOAA Scholarship Fund effort continues by meeting toward the 2021 yearly goal of \$5,000 and in meeting the remaining balance in 2021 for the five-year total of \$25,000. The Chapter continued to support ROTC/JNROTC units virtually due to CORONAVIRUS -19. HRCMOAA was again to support the NJROTC Cavalier Drill Meet which is a competition between NJROTC units in the Greater Hampton Roads area, but this competition was cancelled. The chapter has in the past provided the funding for the trophies. This quarter HRCMOAA also was in preparation for the 2nd quarter Leadership presentations to both the local ROTC and NJROTC cadets and midshipmen. Due to the present social distancing regulations and the closure of the Universities and high schools, the presentations will drastically change, some will be virtual and some private. The same type of remote events is being planned for the ROTC and NROTC Gold Bar presentations for the graduation commissioning's.

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

Began assembly of the MOAA 5 Star Award for 2020 and awards for Chapter Print and Online newsletter. Chapter emphasis continues to focus on sustaining and increasing membership, support for legislative issues, and participation in community affairs. Marvin J. Harris award will be submitted to MOAA HQ.

V. Gold Bars Awarded to Newly Commissioned Senior ROTC Lieutenants/Ensigns: Gold Bars will be presented virtually by the Staffs of the Army and Navy Senior ROTC Departments. Current projections are pending:

Old Dominion Norfolk State Virginia Weslevan

Army Navy Marine Corps

Total

VI. Most Significant Event(s) of the Quarter: All luncheons for January, February, March, and until further notice have been cancelled due to CORONAVIRUS -19. Some planning is being done for a surviving spouse luncheon in May and evaluation of other luncheons is underway.

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