

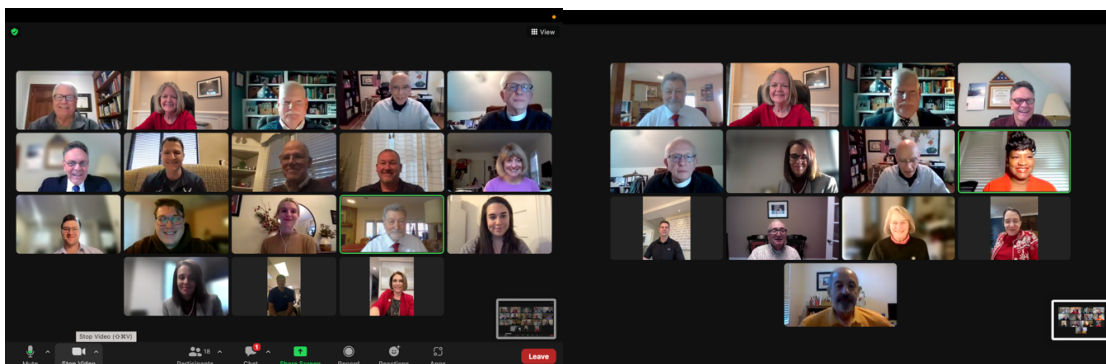
**Richmond Area Chapter  
VCOC 2022 Q4 Report  
Oct-Dec 2022**

I. Membership

As of December 15<sup>th</sup>, total active chapter membership was 253. The membership breakdown includes 220 military and 33 surviving spouse members.

II. Legislative Affairs

The chapter conducted our highly successful 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Legislative Forum virtually on December 8<sup>th</sup> in two sessions at 0730 and 1500 for the convenience of elected legislators. Twelve elected legislators and aides (Sen Dunnivant, Dels Adams, Carr, Coyner, Fowler, Hashni, McGuire, Reeves, Robinson, and Ruff) participated along with DVS staff (Claudia Flores), and chapter members from CVA-MOAA (John Down, Dan Moy), SW-MOAA (John Miller), and RAC-MOAA (Mark Rich, Mariah White, Wayne Sine, Craig Pinsker, Ken Ruppap, Owen Waltman, Mary Lou Wassel. The six proposed legislative initiatives for the 2023 Virginia General Assembly were presented and reviewed with legislators. After the 12/15 JLC Quarterly Meeting, attendees will be sent a link to the final prioritized list of initiatives and position papers. Screenshots from the meetings are attached:



III. Public Affairs

The chapter held two member events at Meadowbrook Country Club this quarter:

- a. November 16<sup>th</sup> – Member Dinner Meeting with guest speaker, Steve Combs, Vice President of Old Dominion Honor Flight.
- b. December 9<sup>th</sup> – Holiday Gala with special dinner for 66 members and guests with piano player and holiday singalong.

IV. Awards

Our chapter was notified of receipt of the MOAA 5-Star Level of Excellence Award for the 20<sup>th</sup> consecutive year.

V. ROTC/JROTC Awards

Two JROTC Leadership Awards and Medals not presented last spring due to the high schools' scheduling issues were awarded in December. Efforts continue to

maintain communications with our 25 Richmond area high schools.

VI. Significant Chapter Events

Two member meetings and the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Legislative Forum were all highlights/significant events this quarter.

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