



Golden Isles Chapter MOAA Reporter

P.O. Box 21186, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

November 2008

NOVEMBER CHAPTER MEETING

PRESIDENT
CDR Millard Allen
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LCDR Bob Brittin,
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Cpt David Essig
638-0971

Scholarship Chairman
COL Daryl Rabert
638-6121

DATE: NOVEMBER 9, 2008
TIME: 12:15 PM Social Hour
1:00pm Dinner and Program

PLACE: King and Prince Golf Resort
St. Simons Island, GA

DRESS: Coat/Tie (Men), Appropriate Attire (Ladies)

COST: \$28.00/Person (Check)

MENU: King and Prince Sunday Buffet

RSVP By Friday November 7, 2008:
to **Jerry Rhyne** 912-261-0641 , leave message
(no cell phone calls to jerry)
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SPEAKER: Tom Sublett, Commissioner Elect, District 2
PROGRAM : Community Service

NOTE: We must bill "No Shows", so contact Millard or Jerry Rhyne NLT than Friday afternoon 7 Nov for any change of plans or cancellations. A phone call anytime prior to Sunday Morning would be appreciated for any change of plans. Call Jerry Rhyne with any last minute changes or additions. Sometimes he can accommodate changes.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The time since the last meeting has been busy. First, we all need to congratulate Bob Carlisle for being named Veteran of the Year for the Golden Isles. Bob has done significant work for all veterans; serves as State Treasurer of

MOAA, has served this Chapter well over the past several years, and is currently President of the Navy League. Well done and Congratulations to Bob.

You will see included in the newsletter an update on the Scholarship Raffle Sales by James Vivenzio. The move away from the Auction was to get more of the membership involved, and not leave the fund raising to just a few. The math is simple—if each member sells/buys one book of tickets, we will substantially exceed the goal. The objective is to sell 100 books of tickets. Please view this as an “all hands evolution”. The Scholarship program is the Chapters’ key event, please support it. Daryl Rabert has accepted the post of Scholarship Chairman. **George Stapleton has done an outstanding job, but due to health issues has requested that he be relieved from the job. Well Done, George!**

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RAFFLE UPDATE

As you all know, we are raising money for our high school scholarship program via a raffle this year. It's a simple way to get the entire organization involved, including spouses, and raise the needed funds for this worthwhile project. Each book has 20 tickets at \$5.00 each and each book is valued at \$100.00. The prizes are \$1,000 for first prize and \$500 each for prizes two through five, a total of 5 winners. This should be an easy sell as everyone could use some extra cash. Remember there will be a \$100.00 cash prize to the member who sells the most tickets. If you received raffle tickets and have sold them and want to turn in the money and the stubs and if you also want another book to sell (or buy) or if you never received a book but want one (or more) books to sell (or buy) simply call James Vivenzio at **265-8672** and he'll arrange to pick up your money and stubs or take care of what ever you need. You can also mail your money and stubs to James at:

3000 Parkwood Drive
Brunswick, GA 31520.

You can also bring ticket stubs and money to the Luncheon.

It's that simple. Remember that the drawing for the five winners will be at our Christmas party on December 14th at the King & Prince Hotel. All tickets and money need to be turned in by Monday, December 8th. So let's all join in and "sell a book" for MOAA.

Scholarship Update

We are happy to announce that we will have one additional scholarship this year given by Col. and Mrs. John Campbell. The scholarship will be in memory of Mrs. Campbell's' father, Albert Rives a World War II pilot. The scholarship will be called The Albert Rives Memorial Scholarship and will be awarded to a student selected from the JROTC programs at Glynn Academy and Brunswick High School. The Golden Isles Chapter wants to thank Col. and Mrs. Campbell for their generosity.

This brings the number of scholarships to Five.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Daryl Rabert has agreed to chair our Scholarship program. As you all know, our Scholarship program has been under the very capable direction of George Stapleton and while George is on the mend and at George's request, Daryl has agreed to chair this committee. Daryl's leadership skills will be invaluable in continuing the fine work George and the interview teams have provided over the years. Get well George and we'll look for you to be back in form soon.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER (Continued)

I have just returned from the State MOAA meeting. The continued emphasis is on membership. Bob Brittin, our membership chairman, has done a good job. The target this year is 12 new members—we have recruited or have paper in the mail for 10. I fully expect to meet the 12 new members. By State records our membership (net) has remained about the same for a 10 year period, but dropped by 4% over the past year. National MOAA is focusing more attention on the local chapters to enhance membership. Please contact potential eligible members about MOAA and increase the membership. Of concern is the reduction of State budgets for Veteran's Affairs. Under the current budget cut mandates by the Governor, several beds will be lost at the Veteran's Home. The current focus by the Legislative Committee is to "leave Veteran's Programs alone". There is a new National Cemetery opening in Jacksonville soon. A Viet Nam Veterans Wall of Honor is being created at the VA Hospital in Atlanta. The 2009 State Meeting will be held in Valdosta, hosted by South Georgia MOAA.

The meeting in November is a luncheon meeting. Please come hear Tom Sublett, Commissioner Elect, District 2. You will find Tom a delightful person to meet, and he will share with us his views of the challenges he faces as a new County Commissioner.

Please make your reservations. I look forward to seeing you on November 9 at the King and Prince.

Millard

Millard Allen
President
