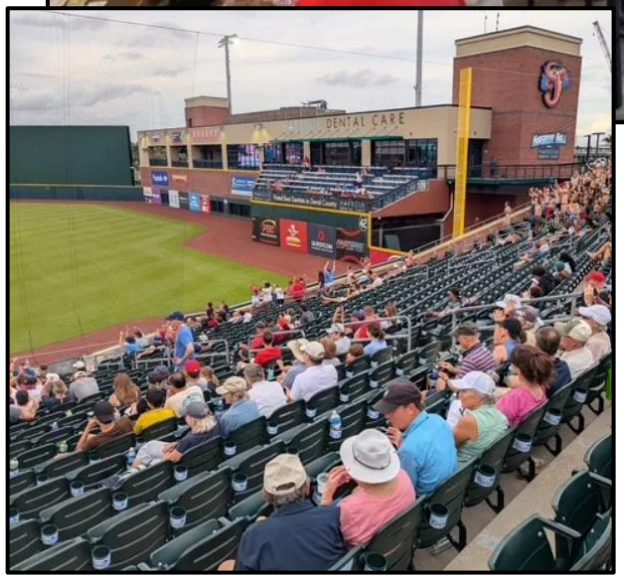
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General Meeting – 8 Sep 2026

Call to order:

- **New Members and Guests**
  (Signup in the Legislative Action Center)

Happy Birthday

- U.S. Coast Guard
- U.S. Air Force

***** Visit the Nassau County Chapter Website *****

Schedule Updates - Pay Dues - Pay Meals - Make Donations

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Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Invocation

Jim Mackowski
CDR USN (Ret)

POW/MIA Moment of Silence

- The table is round – to show our everlasting concern.
- The tablecloth is white, symbolizing the purity of their motives when answering the call to serve.
- The single red rose reminds us of the lives of these Americans…and the loved ones and friends who keep the faith, awaiting answers.
- The yellow ribbon symbolizes our continued uncertainty, hope for their return and determination to account for them.
- A slice of lemon reminds us of their bitter fate, captured or missing in a foreign land.
- A pinch of salt symbolizes the tears of our missing and their families.
- The lighted candle reflects our hope for their return.
- The glasses are inverted - to symbolize their inability to share a toast. The chair is empty – they are missing.

Remembering September 11th, 2001

-- Never Forget --

Dinner

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Col George Zamka, U.S. Marine Corps (Ret)
-- NASA Astronaut --

Colonel Zamka retired from the United States Marine Corps following 26 years of service. He flew the A-6 and F/A-18 to include 66 combat missions during Operation Desert Storm. He was a Weapons and Tactics Instructor, an Instructor Pilot, and a Test Pilot. He was awarded the Legion of Merit and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

George has a 35-year career in aerospace, to include assignments at NASA as an Astronaut, Instructor Pilot and Research Pilot, and as the Deputy Associate Administrator for Commercial Space Transportation at the FAA. As an Astronaut, George flew two missions to the International Space Station and commanded STS-130. George has over 5000 hours of flight experience in over 30 tactical, transport, helicopter, and training aircraft.

George is a Distinguished Graduate of the United States Naval Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics and has a Master of Science degree in Engineering Management from the Florida Institute of Technology. He is a graduate of the United States Air Force Test Pilot School and the Harvard Kennedy School of Government Senior Executive Fellows program.

George is married to his wife Elisa and they have two children.

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President's Report

Congratulations to Mary Gustafson!

Selected to be member of the MOAA Surviving Spouse Advisory Committee (SSAC)

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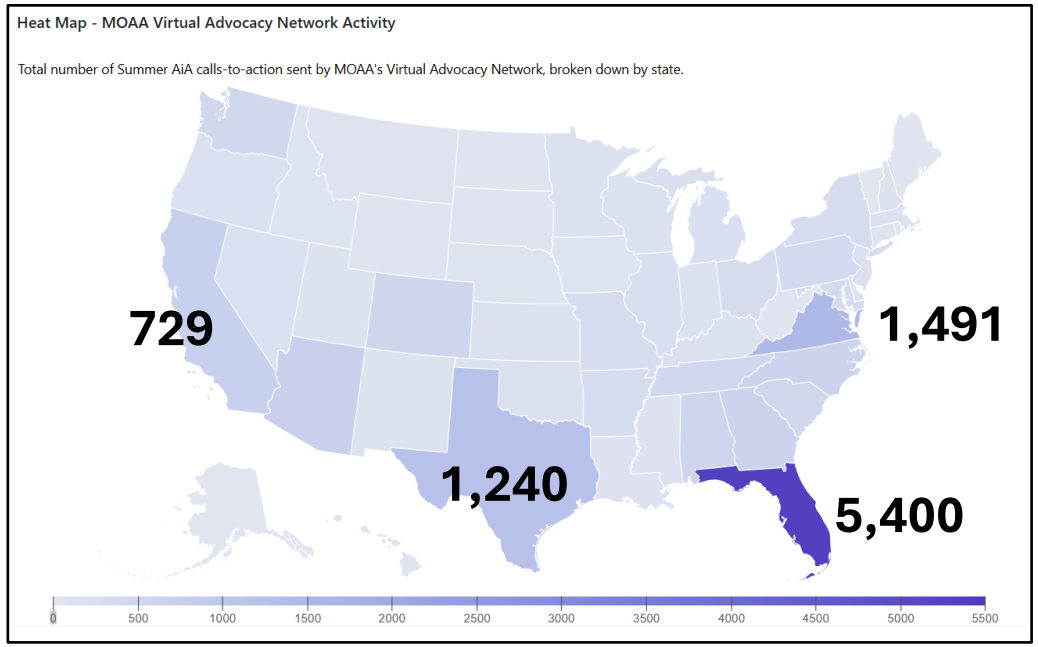
- **Programs Chair – Barb Kent**
- **Webmaster – Steve Blozis**

All Board Positions Are Staffed…Thank You!

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President's Report

- **Summer AiA (1 – 31 Aug)**
  - The Major Richard Star Act
  - The Work Opportunity Tax Credit
  - Restoring GLP-1 Coverage to TRICARE For Life



- **Florida Led the Nation**
- **Next Call-to-Action – 10 Sep, be ready!**

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President's Report

- **Take Care of America's Veterans Act (TCAVA)**
  - 62 Bipartisan provisions
  - 20+ MSO/VSO Support
  - Fully Funded (by VASRD adjustments)
  - **MOAA Supports TCAVA**
- **VA Schedule for Rating Disabilities (VASRD)**
  - Review started in 2009
  - Jan 2026 – VA testifies intent to finalize VASRD in Apr 2027
  - CBO Scoring: $38 Billion in savings over 10 years
- **If TCAVA is NOT enacted, $38 billion goes back to US Treasury**

Make Your Voice Heard -- 10 Sep Call-to-Action

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President's Report

Election Slate – Nov 2026

-- Terms Commences 1 Jan 2027 --

Position	Current	Candidate for Election
President	Tony LaVecchia	Jeff Carr
1st Vice President	Jeff Carr	Dwight Collins
2nd Vice President	Dwight Collins	????
Secretary	Lou Tonti	Lou Tonti
Treasurer	Bob Bell	Katy Person

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Mission Area Update

- Advocacy -

- **Chapter Membership LAC Sign Up: 81% (Phenomenal)**
  - **Florida average is 34%**
  - **Nassau County is #2 of 36 in the state**
  - **1/1/2025: Nassau County was at 37%, up 47 percentage points**
- **Monthly Call-to-Action Emails Will Continue (10th of Every Month)**

  (LOE #2 Participation)

LOE #1: Membership	LOE #2: Participation	LOE #3: Funding

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Mission Area Update
- Philanthropy & Community Service -

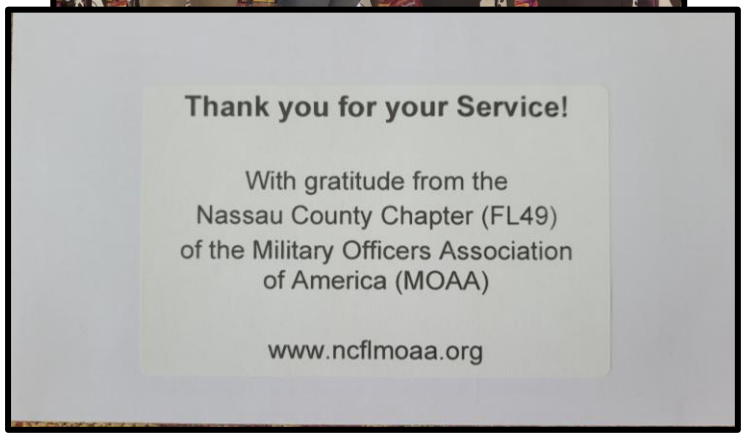
- **Donation Drive – Yulee Winn-Dixie, 10 Oct (Volunteers Needed)**

  (LOE #3 Fundraising, LOE #2 Participation, LOE #1 Membership)

- **NSB Kings Bay Commissary Gift Cards**
  - **Food assistance for junior enlisted personnel and families (USN/USMC/USCG)**
  - **140 - $25 commissary gift cards ($3,500)**
  - **Distribution scheduled for November**
  - **Working with Senior NCO cadre**

  (LOE #2 Participation)





LOE #1: Membership	LOE #2: Participation	LOE #3: Funding

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Mission Area Update

- Camaraderie -

- **Officer Call – The Brew Shed, 25 June**
- **Golf Outing – 14 July**
- **Jumbo Shrimp Game, 2 August**
- **Officer Call – October (TBD)**







LOE #1: Membership	LOE #2: Participation	LOE #3: Funding

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1st Vice President's Report

COL Jeff Carr, USA (Ret)

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Memorial Day Ceremony, Monday May 31, 2027

- MOAA has the Lead in 2027 - Jeff Carr, Committee Chair
- Looking for volunteers to help plan
- The Event will take place at the Veterans Memorial, still in flux
  - ➢ Will have to plan for 3 different venues
    - End of Centre St, across from RR tracks
    - Central Park
    - New Veterans Park at the new waterfront park
- Update on Veterans park at the waterfront park

Veterans Council

- JIA Military Lounge- looking for Volunteers
- Sept 11, 9-11 Atlantic Rec Center – Free Senior Expo and Health fair. This event is hosted by Nassau County Council on Aging.
- Sept 29th- 10-2, VyStar Veterans Resource event- 300 A Philip Randolph Boulevard, Jacksonville, United States. More than 100 resources, access on-site support services, free catered lunch, and hear from special guest speakers from The Defensive Line, a national leader in mental health awareness and suicide prevention.
- FB Veterans Day Parade- American Legion has lead, more details Oct meeting
- 8 Nov-1-4 Vets Pets & music fest- Green Turtle- All proceeds go directly to veterans in need
- American Legion and the VFW have the NFL ticket

Treasurer's Report

Bob Bell, CAPT USN (Ret)

- **Tap To Pay Card Reader Now Available**
- **Accounts Reconciled With Bank**
- **Start Collecting 2027 Dues Beginning In October Due NLT 31 Jan 2027**
- **Use Of CheddarUp Is Encourage…www.ncflmoaa.org**

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Legislative Affairs

Mike McClane, CW4 USA (Ret)

Legislative Action Center (LAC):

1. Register/Sign Up
2. Respond to Calls to Action

https://moaa.quorum.us/home2/

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Membership

Chapter Membership Update

- **120 Total Members**
  - **11 Regular Members**
  - **3 Surviving Spouse Members**
  - **6 Auxiliary Members**
- **32 New members joined in 2026**

PLEASE BE A RECRUITER FOR OUR CHAPTER AND ASK ONE FRIEND, NEIGHBOR OR RELATIVE TO JOIN US.

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Upcoming Events

9 Sep: Jumbo Shrimp Baseball Game - 1905, Free to Veterans, Bring ID Card

10 Oct: Donation Drive – 1000-1600, Winn-Dixie, Yulee

13 Oct: Chapter Meeting – 1130, Guest Speaker: Amanda and Will Stanger, Veterans Health Care

Xx Oct: Officer Call – Either at the American Legion or MacGregors Mini Golf (On Island), 1730

7 Nov: Recruitment/Donation Drive – Right Whale Festival

10 Nov: Chapter Meeting – 1130, Guest Speaker: Mike Doran, The Great Loop

11 Dec: Christmas Party – FBGC: 1730 Cocktails, 1830 Dinner

Q & A

Saved Rounds / Questions / Comments

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General Meeting – 8 Sep 2026

- **Be a Recruiter** – Get one person to join our Chapter
- **Participate** – Call to Action / Donate / Attend MOAA Events

Adjourned

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