

The South Georgia Voice



*South Georgia Chapter
Military Officers Association of America
September 2021*



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May 13, 2021 Meeting

District 8 State Senator Russ Goodman was the speaker. He brought news from the recent legislative session. The legislature cut the state income tax and raised the exemption. They also took several actions to increase election security and expand access to legal voting.



He is a farmer and businessman in Cogdell, GA. Among the produce from his farm is blueberries. He brought a large box of blueberries that he gifted smaller containers from to our members in attendance.



Senator Goodman visited with Hugh Bassham, and Pete and Ruth Dominicus before the meeting.

Newest Member

Our newest member is Chet Pilcher. Forrest Williams brought him to our April meeting as his guest.





Don McArthur presented our chapter grant to Senior Chief Willis, Senior Instructor, at Valdosta High NJROTC. Another grant was presented to Lowndes High AFJROTC and one to Valdosta State University ROTC.



The National MOAA Medal was presented to Cadet Addison Olson at the Pass and Review Award Ceremony on April 22, 2021.



Lowndes High AFJROTC cadets demonstrated their skills at the Pass and Review, a long-standing military inspection tradition.



Our chapter president, Pete Dominicis, presented the National MOAA Medal to the VSU Cadet Cyndle A. Rice at their spring awards ceremony on April 29, 2021.

COLA Watch---The May 2021 Consumer Price Index is 263.612, 4% above the FY 2021 COLA base line. For updates see www.moaa.org/colawatch .

Memorial Day 2021



Col Russel Cook, 23rd Wing Commander at Moody AFB, remembered the fallen at the ceremony at Sunset Cemetery on Monday, May 31. He listed those who had been assigned to Moody.



Tim Oliver was among those giving the 21-gun salute at the conclusion of the program.



Flags were placed on the graves of veterans at Sunset Cemetery on Sunday morning, May 30, by many groups and some members of our chapter in preparation for Memorial Day.

2020 Levels of Excellence

Recently our chapter was notified that it was selected by National MOAA to receive the 5 Star Levels of Excellence Award (LOE) for 2020. This year's award is very special since 2020 was a year we will never forget due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

The award will be presented by LTG Atkins, the National MOAA President, at the GA MOAA State Convention in Columbus, hosted by the Columbus Chapter.

Remember without your total support, this award would not have been possible. Again, congratulations to the membership!

**Our next meeting is Thursday, September 9, 6:00 PM,
Holiday Inn, Valdosta, GA.**

We meet and greet from 6-6:30. *Introduce yourself to any guest
or member you don't know.*

Dinner is served at 6:30 P.M.

Please make your reservations through chapter Secretary,

Don McArthur 229-244-7498 or email

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NO LATER THAN Sat. Sept 4 at 6 p.m. ,

PLEASE RSVP—"YES" or "NO"

**We are required to provide an accurate meal count three work days
prior to the event. Cost is \$22**

**The Program will be presented by Derrick Harris of the Moody
AFB Casualty Office**

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