

June 2021

Website: <http://lincolnlandmoaa.org>

Upcoming Events

- 11 June 2021—Decatur-The Beach House, Lake Decatur.
- 17 July 2021—Golf Outing, Shamblee Golf Course, Petersburg. We will be partnering with Gold Star Mission, Survivor Outreach Services, Coordinator and several local Veterans groups.
- 13 August 2021—Island Bay yacht Club.
- 01 October 2021—Northfield Center.
- 10 December 2021—Annual Christmas Party—Wyndham Hotel, Downtown Springfield

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THE SALUTE—Never Stop Serving...



Next Meeting Information

Our 11 June 2021 Meeting will be held in Decatur

We are doing this to recruit new members for the Chapter and establishing a greater presence in the Decatur area. Details of the meeting are outlined below:

Date: 11 June 2021 (Friday)

Host: Major (USMC, Ret) Dave Falk (Chapter First Vice President)

Start time: 6:00 PM Social Hour

7:00 PM Dinner

Program immediately following Dinner.

Guest Speaker: State Representative Dan Caulkins discussing Current Legislative Issues for Veterans and Military in Illinois. Dan is a Veteran and a current Member of the Chapter.

Location: The Beach House

2301 East Lake Shore Drive

Decatur, Illinois 62521

Dinner menu: Chicken Marsala, Italian Stuffed Meat Loaf, Green Beans Almondine with Bacon atop, Twice Baked Cheesy Potatoes Au Gratin, House Salad/choice of Dressing, Warm Dinner Rolls with Butter.

Your attendance at this meeting will be greatly appreciated!!

You can sign up for our June meeting on the Chapter website—lincolnlandmoaa.org or

Contact one of the two individuals listed below.

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miller42@aol.com or
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President's Corner

I want to encourage all members of LincolnLand Chapter, to attend our June meeting. Details are on the cover and in the website. We are working to establish a greater presence in the Decatur area and your support will be needed!

Chris Milchuck has an important article in this newsletter And COL Tyler reports on the recent MOAA "Advocacy in Action" campaign.

Chaplain Woodworth, our former Chaplain, recently passed away. His obit is in the newsletter for your information-he will be missed!

The Nominating Committee Report to members is also included in this issue. More will be forthcoming regarding nominations from the membership and election.

Please pay particular note to the Golf Outing flyer. Again your involvement will be greatly appreciated. We will have more information very soon.

The Scholarship flyer is also attached. If you know of a worthy candidate, please let them see the flyer.

I would also like to encourage all our current members to spread the word to eligible officers regarding our Chapter and solicit their membership and involvement. The best recruiter is someone who informs and recruits their friends.

Have a GREAT Memorial Day weekend and we will see you in Decatur on 11 June!!

Dave Miller

IL-03 Lincoln Land Chapter

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From the Survivor Outreach Services Coordinator

The World Wide Web (WWW) is a wonderful tool for quick information about dang near anything, most would admit. For others, the mere thought of even attempting to use the WWW elicits feelings of trepidation. Admittedly, the amount of information available for most topics can be overwhelming! Once you find what it was you were searching for, how do you know if the site and information given are safe and reliable? What if I told you there was a site with resources vetted by the government?

The National Resource Directory (NRD) at <https://.nrd.gov/benefits-compensation> is “a resources website that connects wounded warriors, Service Members, Veterans, their families, and caregivers to programs and services that support them. The NRD is hosted, managed, maintained, sustained, and developed by the Defense Health Agency’s Recovery Coordination Program.” In addition to providing national, state, and local services and resources to support recovery, rehabilitation, and community reintegration for returning Service Members, the site also provides information from vetted resources about a variety of topics including Benefits & Compensation, Education & Training, Employment, Family & Caregiver Support, Health, Homeless Assistance, Housing, and Transportation & Travel for everyone else in the military family. The “Community” tab on the website provides a list of partnerships with vetted organizations from whom the NRD receives current and high quality resources. The Portfolio of Veterans Benefits (PVB) is located in this tab and contains information from Veteran Affairs about their programs of care, compensation and commemoration, health services, education, benefits and entitlements, and many other categories.

Have fun checking out this site! I really think you will find it useful. If you are not the tech savvy type, pass on this information to someone who might find it beneficial and reach out to your Survivor Outreach Services Coordinator instead to help you find that needed resource.

In closing, I just want to add a Memorial Day message in honor of our fallen brothers and sisters. It is a quote from James A. Garfield’s speech at Arlington National Cemetery on the first official Decoration Day, May 30, 1868: *“For the love of country they accepted death, and thus resolved all doubts, and made immortal their patriotism and their virtue.”*

To the Survivors reading this, we will not forget your loved one or his/her service to our country and within the military family, such as MOAA, you are not alone.

Chris Milchuck

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Legislative Liaison Update

As you have noted in the e-newsletters from MOAA HQ and the *Military Officer* magazine, May was MOAA's "Advocacy in Action" month.

We created four teams from all the MOAA chapters across the state to meet with the Illinois Congressional delegation. Colonel Roll and I were part of a team that met with several Illinois legislators to discuss the three issues of Toxic Exposure Reform, TriCare for Young Adults, and Basic Needs Allowance.

MOAA members across the state met with six representatives and with congressional aides in the offices of both senators and ten representatives. Subsequent to our meetings, we have seen news releases from Sen. Duckworth's office on her specific support of the Basic Needs Allowance legislation, and there has been significant discussions on advancing the Toxic Exposure legislation.

At the same time, the property tax relief for surviving spouses of disabled veterans is slowly making its way through the Illinois legislature.

So as you can see, we need to continue encouraging our legislators in Springfield and DC to remember America's veterans by supporting this and other legislation that cares for our service members.

In that regard, we need to remind them, like us, to ***"Never Stop Serving!"***

Semper Fi – Bob Tyler

LLC Legislation Liaison



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Our Purpose—Serving the entire Military Community locally & nationally

Our Motivation—Supporting our most reliable asset—the US military member

Our Means—Informing legislators, supporting local events & organizations

Our Membership—Commissioned Officers of the Eight Uniformed Services (USA, USMC, USN, USAF, US Space Force, USCG, NOAA, USPHS) who strongly believe in supporting a volunteer force for the safety and security of our country

MISSION OF THE LINCOLN LAND CHAPTER

Military Officers Association of America

The Lincoln Land Chapter's mission is to foster fraternal relations among the retired, active and former uniformed services and their National Guard or reserve components;

to protect the rights and interest of same to include dependents and survivors;

to further promote useful services for members of the former and current members of the Armed Forces and their dependents and survivors;

and to serve the community to the fullest extent possible.



Rev. Dr. Harold G. Woodworth 1933 – 2021

Springfield, IL—Harold George Woodworth, Jr., beloved husband, father, pastor, and church builder was called home to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on April 16, 2021, from Springfield, IL. He was 87.

The Reverend Dr. Harold Woodworth was born in Brown Deer, Wisconsin, on April 28th, 1933, one of two children of Harold and Nettie (Megow) Woodworth. His parents and younger brother, George Woodworth, preceded him in death.

Called to serve as a Christian minister, Harold attended Concordia Lutheran Seminary in Springfield. There he met nursing student Bernice Mae Livangood. The couple married on June 9, 1956. He served his vicarage in Orlando, Florida. Harold was ordained into the Lutheran Ministry by the Reverend Edgar Homrighausen on August 3, 1958, at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, New Orleans, LA. Harold initially served as a congregation mission developer for the New Orleans, Louisiana District of the Missouri Synod. He then founded Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in New Orleans, serving there from 1958-63. He was then called to pastor Concordia Lutheran Church, Birmingham, Alabama 1963-64. While there, Harold was actively engaged during the 1960s civil rights movement in Alabama. That was followed by a call to serve Zion Lutheran Church, Colby Wisconsin from 1964-65.

In 1965, Harold volunteered for three years US Army active duty in the Vietnam War. He became airborne qualified, initially serving with the 101st Airborne Division, later serving with the 27th Engineer Battalion in Vietnam. He received the Bronze Star for service with the 27th Battalion. He was commissioned a Captain, and later received the Army Commendation Medal for his service as the Senior Staff Chaplain at US Army hospital in Ft. Campbell, KY.

Captain Woodworth returned to the civilian sector. He was called to serve as pastor at Salem Lutheran Church Jacksonville, IL, 1968-75. He attended Sangamon State now University of Illinois--Springfield earning five master's degrees. A few years later, Pastor Woodworth graduated from Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque Iowa with a Doctor of Ministry. Harold also served the Synod as a Lutheran Hour radio speaker, board member Concordia Tract Mission, and circuit counselor. In 1976, Harold responded to the Lord's call as founding pastor of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Jacksonville, Illinois where he served as Senior Pastor (then Emeritus) through 1997. After 'retirement' he returned to active ministry as pastor in various Mississippi and central Illinois Lutheran congregations.

Harold served as both president of the Kiwanis Club Jacksonville, Illinois and as state Kiwanis Lt. Governor. He was active in founding and serving with a number of other community service organizations: Boy Scouts of America, Mayflower Society, Sons of the American Revolution, American Red Cross, and the 27th Engineers Battalion reunions.

Pastor Woodworth is survived, by his wife Bea, and four children; Mark Woodworth (Teresa) of Canton, Missouri; David Woodworth; Karen Reid (Bill); and Kathryn Edley (Bill) of Springfield, Illinois. He is the grandfather of thirteen and 2nd & 3rd great-grandfather to several cherished children.

**Nominating Committee
Lincoln Land Chapter, MOAA
Springfield, Illinois**

Following Officers are nominated for leadership for 2022-2023:

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MOAA is the nation's largest and most influential association of military officers. It is an independent, nonprofit, politically nonpartisan organization.

While MOAA is permitted by law to lobby—and does so actively—its status as a tax-exempt veterans organization precludes it from participating in political activities, which are defined as intervening directly or indirectly in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

Stated briefly: the association may advocate issues, but it may not advocate the election or defeat of particular candidates or political parties. This newsletter follows the policies of MOAA National.

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We'll be There.**



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MOAA Legislative Action Center

You can help MOAA by visiting their legislative action center and contacting your elected officials regarding pending legislation MOAA is working. You can reach the Legislative Action Center at the following email address: take.action.moaa.org

Reasons to Join a MOAA Chapter

You know the value of belonging to MOAA and your chapter. But when you're talking to a potential new chapter member, it's important to remember that many officers might have only limited knowledge of MOAA's chapter system.

Creating a dialogue and asking open-ended questions is the best way to find out if and how a chapter membership could help a prospective member.

Find out as much as you can about their priorities in order to tailor a response that is more likely to resonate with them personally.

Here are some aspects of membership that may appeal to them.

- 1. Make yourself heard.** MOAA's chapters provide critical grassroots support for MOAA's national legislative agenda. Chapter members let their legislators know what's on their minds and open doors for MOAA's legislative team in Washington, D.C.
- 2. Give back to the community.** Chapter members are MOAA's ambassadors in their communities, supporting countless programs that make a difference in the lives of others. These members continue to serve and are giving back in the truest sense.
- 3. Value added to chapter members' lives.** MOAA chapters sponsor interesting programs and opportunities to interact with civic, political, military, and business leaders on issues important to members.
- 4. Networking with fellow officers.** Chapters include second-career members in the work force and retired service members who have contacts in their communities that can be valuable to transitioning officers.
- 5. Stay informed.** Chapter newsletters, websites, and meetings provide you with the latest information on local, state, and national issues and changes to military benefits.
- 6. Influencing state legislation.** Most states have a council of chapters that unites chapters in the state. These councils, and independent chapters in states without a council, often lobby for and pass state-level legislation that affects military members and their families, such as exempting military retired pay from state income tax or increasing funding for state veterans' programs.
- 7. Camaraderie with a purpose.** MOAA chapters unite active duty, former, and retired officers from every branch of service, including National Guard and Reserve, as well as surviving spouses, offering the opportunity to connect with others with similar backgrounds and interest and develop close and lasting friendships.



Third Annual 2021 Golf Outing Honoring our Military Heroes and Families

AT SHAMBOLEE GOLF COURSE IN PETERSBURG

We honor all of our veterans, active military and military families who have served our country.

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Saturday, July 17, 2021

101 South Shore Drive, Petersburg, IL 62675

\$75.00 per player: 18 hole shotgun start

Cart and two drinks per person

11:00 sign in, lunch, and 12:00 noon start

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Proceeds benefit: Gold Star Families, Memorial Monument-Veterans Memorial Foundation, Springfield & Youth Scholarships

Sponsoring organizations:



Send Registration
and Payment to:

Lincoln Land Chapter, MOAA
Attn: Golf Outing Committee
P.O. Box 9435
Springfield, IL 62791-9435

REGISTRATION FORM

Honoring All Our Military Heroes Golf Outing

Saturday, July 17, 2021

Shamblee Golf Course

101 South Shore Drive, Petersburg, IL 62675

Captain: _____ Phone#

Golfer 1: _____

Golfer 2: _____

Golfer 3: _____

Golfer 4: _____

Please remit full payment of \$75.00 per player with Registration Form mailed to:

Lincoln Land Chapter, MOAA

Attn: Golf Outing Committee

P.O. Box 9435

Springfield, IL 62791-9435

Deadline is a week prior or until full

for questions contact

Steve Cadle at 217-741-9297 or

Dave Miller at 217-761-3973

Lincoln Land Chapter Military Officers Association of America Scholarship Program for Academic Year- Fall 2021

Lincoln Land Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (“MOAA”) announces its Scholarship Program for the Academic Year which begins in the Fall 2021. The Scholarship Program for Academic Year-Fall 2021 award shall be made solely based on an Applicant’s submission in response to this announcement. No other criteria will be considered.

I. INFORMATION FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR ACADEMIC YEAR- FALL 2021.

A. The Scholarship Program for Academic Year- Fall 2021 essay topic shall be:

"Reflections on those who Serve America"

B. There will be **one** Scholarship Award in the amount of: \$2,000.00.

C. To be considered, Applicant essay and required documents **must be postmarked on or before Jun 1, 2021** and mailed (no other form of delivery is permissible) to:

Lincoln Land Chapter, MOAA
Scholarship Program for Academic Year-Fall 2021
Care of: LTC (Ret) Mark R. DePue
613 Catskill Drive
Springfield, IL 62711

D. The Scholarship Program Award Winner will be contacted not later than July 2021, and the award presentation date will be during the Chapter’s Island Bay Yacht Club event.

E. In satisfaction of the Scholarship Program, Applicant shall attend a meeting or event of a military or veteran’s organization or military institution, spending sufficient time with the members of the organization to prepare observations. Following the activity, the applicant will write an essay (see essay requirements below) on that organization or event, and what they learned about the service, sacrifice and commitment of current or former military members to their country. Organizations or events could include the following or similar activities: (Applicant should not attend events or facilities which would cast MOAA in an unfavorable light.)

1. Attend drill with a local National Guard or Reserve unit, interacting with unit leaders and others.
2. Attend a veteran’s discussion group at a local veteran’s center.
3. Spend time with a college ROTC unit.
4. Volunteer at the Illinois Military Museum or similar institution.
5. Attend a military or other military-related ceremony and interview people present.

F. The following items constitute the Applicant's Scholarship Program for Academic Year- Fall 2021 submission. Only those Applicant submissions that contain ALL items listed below will be eligible for consideration:

1. The scholarship essay will be type-written on the announced topic and in accordance with the instructions in paragraph E, above. The essay shall contain a minimum of 1,000 words and a maximum of 1,500 words. Applicant shall develop the topic as they deem appropriate, however, the essay must be the original and exclusive work of the Applicant.
2. CERTIFICATION of relationship to a Lincoln Land Chapter MOAA Member and Applicant Age. (The enclosure to this announcement shall be used for this purpose.)
3. The designation of an institution of higher education that Applicant will be attending in the Fall 2021. Applicant must provide the name and address of the institution of higher education Applicant is, or will be, enrolled in for the Fall 2021 semester (or equivalent).

G. ELIGIBILITY.

- A. An Applicant to this Scholarship Program for Academic Year- Fall 2021 can be a Member or the: spouse; natural, adopted or foster child; stepchild; grandchild; great grandchild or parent of any Member of the Lincoln Land Chapter MOAA. A Member of Lincoln Chapter MOAA is a person who meets the membership requirements specified in Article IV of the Lincoln Land Chapter MOAA Bylaws and who is considered "in good standing" (current in payment of Chapter dues).
- B. Applicant must be at least 18 years of age on or before September 1, 2021.
- C. Applicant must be enrolled in, or accepted for enrollment into an institution of higher education for the Fall 2021 semester (or equivalent) for a minimum of nine semester hours or equivalency. An institution of higher education may be a program, junior college, college, university, technical or trade school, which awards a degree, diploma or certification upon completion of its curriculum. Providing the institution meets the foregoing requirement, the Scholarship Award shall be made without regard to Awardee's academic level. As example, an Awardee may be a Ph.D. candidate, a graduate or undergraduate student, a junior college student, or a student at a trade school. For at least six of the nine qualifying semester hours (or equivalent) Applicant must be scheduled to attend courses in a resident, as differing from on-line (Internet) course enrollment status.
- D. An Awardee may not be considered for another Scholarship Award for five years or until August, 2026.

H. GENERAL INFORMATION.

- A. Only essays prepared in Word® can be accepted. Applicant must be prepared to submit an electronic version of their essay at the request of the Scholarship Committee Chairperson.
- B. The Chapter Scholarship Committee will judge essays on the basis of grammar, spelling, topical development and presentation. The essay will be formatted in accordance with the latest Modern Language Association (MLA) guidance. Essays shall be evaluated using *Harbrace College Handbook* and *Webster's New World Dictionary* as guides. Sources used in the essay must be properly cited.
- C. The Certification page, the enclosure to this announcement, shall be used as the cover page for Applicant essays. No title page or any other form of essay identification shall be used.

D. Applicant must designate and provide evidence of their acceptance into, or attendance at, an institution of higher education. Items considered to meet this requirement include acceptance letters, recent grade reports, or similar official documents. Based on this information, the Chapter Scholarship Committee shall determine if the residency requirement has been or will be met.

E. All decisions made by the Chapter Scholarship Committee are final.

F. All Applicant submissions become the exclusive property of the Lincoln Land Chapter MOAA.

G. Lincoln Land Chapter MOAA will not be responsible for any delays in receiving Applicant submissions.

H. If no Applicant essays are received; or if, in the judgment of the Chapter Scholarship Committee, the submissions are inadequate; or if the Scholarship Program Award Winner is later determined to be ineligible for Scholarship Award, the Scholarship Award may be suspended for that Award Year.

I. The Awardee will be notified in advance, and will be requested to attend, as a guest, a Chapter meeting to be recognized as the Scholarship Program Award Winner.

J. The Scholarship Program will be given maximum publicity by the Chapter and may include newspaper articles, Award presentation at commencement exercises, notification to school officials and other actions deemed appropriate. Awardee agrees to reasonably participate in such activities.

K. Any tax liability resulting from an Award shall be the sole responsibility of the Awardee.

L. In the event circumstances prevent the Awardee from attending an institution of higher education at the beginning of Academic Year-Fall 2021, providing Awardee meets the eligibility requirements in paragraph II C (for any semester equivalent through Spring 2022) the Awardee retains the right to receive this Scholarship Amount.

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CERTIFICATION

On this form, Applicant must provide a statement of their relationship to a Lincoln Land Chapter MOAA Member, birthday and contact information. The lower portion of the form must be completed and countersigned by the named Lincoln Land Chapter MOAA Member.

BY APPLICANT

"I, _____, hereby state that I am the _____ to
(Applicant Name) (Relationship)

_____, a Member of Lincoln Land Chapter MOAA." Further, I
(Lincoln Land Chapter MOAA Member's Name)

certify that my birthday is _____, and the in Fall 2021 I plan to attend the
(Month) (Day) (Year)
institution of higher education _____.

Date: _____
(Signature of Applicant)

Print Name _____
Applicant's Address _____
Applicant's Phone Number _____
Applicant's e-mail Address _____

BY LINCOLN LAND CHAPTER MOAA MEMBER

"I, _____, a Member in good standing of Lincoln Land
(Lincoln Land MOAA Chapter Member Name)

Chapter MOAA, certify that the above named individual, _____ is
(Applicant Name)

my _____."
(State Relationship)

Date: _____
(Member Signature)

(Print Name)