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"Following the Spirit of Truman's Leadership in ROA"

2019

# President's Message

By CAPT Fred Lydic, USN (Ret)

The annual convention has come and gone and the plans for the 2019 -2020 year have begun. In keeping with the marketing plan mentioned previously, **Chapters 30 and 41** joined forces in late May for a gathering at the Anheuser-Busch Biergarten in South St. Louis. The folks at AB rolled out the red carpet and



President Lydic

provided a great venue, food and libations. It was a good event to be sure. The attendance was not what we had hoped for... (considering that there were roughly 300 invitations sent for a totally free event). Those who did attend



Anheuser Busch military liaison representatives Tim Singler, Bill Bradley and Brad Liefer

enjoyed the opportunity to greet old friends and make some new ones. The gathering did give us the opportunity to talk about the new direction of ROA, the expanded membership eligibility and the launch of Re-

serve Organization of America.

Looking internally, with most of our membership categorized as "Life" members, we don't have much of an issue regarding retention... participation is another question. However, finding and recruiting new members is quite the challenge. With drilling obligations, active duty recalls, raising families, etc. there isn't much time left in the day to do much else.... but is that really different from the cold war era when most of us were serving? Granted, we weren't leaving for 12-month deployments, but the challenges faced back then are pretty much still the same – employment, civilian career, families, kids in school/sports, etc. It just appears that today's reservist doesn't seem to understand the importance of joining an organization like ROA so that the hard-fought gains to ensure a consistent defense policy and support for those in uniform does not erode

away. Joining does not necessarily mean being at every meeting or attending conventions...it does mean being one of many ready to make a voice heard.

We have begun the outreach program (...remember pounding the shoe on the podium?). Correspondence directed to the major reserve commands within Missouri is about ready to be sent along with the long list of accomplishments generated by ROA over the years and our latest "Report to Congress." Perhaps, if reminded enough, those presently in command of reserve components will come to understand what can be lost with the stroke of a congressional pen unless we close ranks and beat the drum loudly. With a great deal of hope, yours truly is looking down the road with an expectation that we will be able to rouse our membership AND also make an impression on those now serving that ROA is worth their time and effort.

As part of our planning to obtain new members, we realize that the old days of drill deck mandates are gone. Today's reserve force is more active. While most of us trained for the imagined invasion of Western Europe and massive call ups, today's force is trying to cope with multiple returns to active status in a reserve career. How many of us would have survived in our civilian careers if faced with the requirements placed on current day drilling reservists? I know for sure that my Fortune 500 employer would have made it perfectly clear...Us or Them.

As part of the plan, **Missouri ROA** has stepped into the electronic medium with a web site specifically designed to highlight <u>YOUR MISSOURI ROA</u>. It is a beginning. There are improvements yet to be made. On that note, look for upgrades to the National ROA site as well.

The Missouri ROA site is designed to be able to expand into social media, but we need a volunteer, conversant in Facebook, Linked-In, Twitter, etc. to take on the task of driving the social media aspect toward our targeted reservists. ANYONE interested in getting in on the ground floor of this new approach?

So, before you go any further...log onto your computer, open a web browser...any browser will do...and type: <a href="https://www.MissouriROA.org">www.MissouriROA.org</a>. I invite you to take a look at what we are about, what we are doing, what is important to Missourians currently in uniform...AND Get Involved.



# MOROA 2019 CONVENTION 26, 27 and 28 April



By CAPT Dick Kallemeier, USN (Ret)

The convention opened on Friday evening at the Lodge of Old Kinderhook Country Club in Camdenton, Missouri with a wine and glass painting party in the hospitality suite. Everyone seemed to enjoy meeting old and new friends and painting or watching glass artwork. Special thank you to **Col Bob Shankel** for his leadership as the Convention Chairman and his ongoing efforts to produce a well organized and enjoyable event.

On Saturday morning **President Fred Lydic** made introductory remarks and introduced the Leader of the Year recipients: **TSgt Patrick E Clendenning, USAFR,** 442 FW, **YN2 Jill C. Wellerding, USCGR,** Sector Upper Mississippi River, **Capt Christine P. Gorgas, USAFR,** 442d FW, and **Capt Benjamin T. Gardner, USAFR,** 442d FW. He then introduced **Congressman Blaine Luetkemeyer** (MO 3<sup>rd</sup> District). Mr. Luetkemeyer spoke to the recent legislative accomplishments supporting the military and the improved economy. With the change in the House leadership he expressed concern about the budget process and the possibility of returning to continuing resolutions (CRs). The audience expressed concern about the two-year military personnel budget, in place since 2017 being eliminated with the CRs. This has a very negative

effect on reserve planning and mission readiness. Congressman Luetkemeyer was presented the ROA Award of Merit for his ongoing support of national security and the reserve forces.

CAPT Lydic then spoke to the recent trip to the



Congressman Luetkemeyer accepting the ROA Award of Merit from CAPT Lydic

"Hill" by MOROA representatives and the positive response by Missouri legislators. The National Councilman CAPT Dick Kallemeier also talked about the visit to Washington. The national staff is using the national council for departmental communications through monthly teleconferences and inclusion in the annual national leadership meetings. The department representatives CAPT Mike Nolan and Dick Kallemeier, Col Rick Nelson and Lt Col Don Stockton, who attended the National Leadership meeting in March briefed the members on the Report to Congress and the Issues and Concerns letter discussed with the congressional office staffs.

The President recessed the session at approximately 1100 hours for service section meetings. Following the service section meetings, the group gathered for a buffet



lunch and listened to the guest speaker, National President Don Stockton, USAF (Ret). He briefed the audience on some of the membership benefit programs, the improved financial status of ROA, membership recruiting and the upcoming national convention in Des Moines, Iowa.

The evening's festivities began at 1800. Following dinner, CDR

**Richard "Mick" Scott, USCG** Deputy Commander, USCG Sector Upper Mississippi River (SUMR) in St. Louis told the audience about current Coast Guard efforts

with flooding, the duck boat casualty and problems with the buoy tenders. He then addressed the increasing difficulty finding recruits that are physically fit with acceptable intelligence scores and no arrest record. Adding to the problem is the current good economy with civilian positions offering more rewards with much less demand than the military. He



**CDR Mick Scott, USCG** 

closed by saying river traffic moving south now moves \$42 billion in goods each year. By 2029 inland transportation will double.

CAPT Kallemeier and **Brig Gen Roger Suro**, **USAFR** then presented the Leader of the Year awards.



Leader of the Year recipients TSgt Patrick Clendenning, Capt Benjamin Gardener, Capt Christine Gorgas and YN2 now YN1 Jill Willerding

Yeoman Second Class Jill Willerding, USCGR proactively attended job-specific training for Coast Guard Mobilization Surge Staffing. This training is not a requirement of her position but one which she sought out to better support Coast Guard administrative surge requirements that support large-scale hurricane relief efforts. Her initia-

tive to complete this new training program allowed for her to deploy to Washington, D.C. to augment support staff preparations for response efforts before and during Hurricane Florence.



CDR Scott, Jill Willerding and her husband John and BMCM Pehar

During emergency preparations her position requires knowledge and experience to properly respond to incoming and outgoing assignment notifications and ensure current correct information rapidly was pro-

cessed. Her responsibilities included creating positions for deployment response, reviewing response requests and independently inputting/verifying data for position requirements for over 200 personnel. She efficiently generated notification messages for over 100 personnel for mobilization, ensuring qualified Coast Guard members were rapidly deployed from across the nation focusing on the missions of safety of life, damage assessment and reopening of waterways across the states of North and South Carolina and Virginia.

Technical Sergeant Patrick Clendenning, USAFR was a Command Post Superintendent/Operations NCO In - Charge and led Command Post during Command Directed Compliance Assessment. Provided Command and Control for Hawgsmoke 2018, monitored 44 sorties, 700 spectators and supported the largest A-10 competition.



TSgt Clendenning and and his wife Jennifer

Facilitated annual training tour functioned as Wing Staff Security Manager and was Project Officer for Command Post renovation with \$132K in funding for a state-of-art facility. Connected

Received Johnson County Emergency Management Certification

and taught basic disaster responsibility skills. Completed Emergency Management degree at the Community College of the Air Force with a 3.6 GPA and Dean's List.

Family day volunteer coordinated first ever wing boat race which was a positive morale influencer. Volunteer for 53 boy scouts who learned austere life saving techniques.

Captain Benjamin Gardner, USAFR ~ His performance in support of Operation FREEDOMS SENTINEL and RESOLUTE SUPPORT was exceptional. He is a Superlative squadron scheduler; his expertise in scheduling allowed the squadron to maintain 53 pilots as combat mission ready. Additionally, he single handedly managed the workload of 4 others while half the squadron was deployed, at the same time flying demanding training missions prior to his rotation to combat. Managed the squad-

ron schedule while deployed, 6,000 hours and 1,000 sorites in a 45-day rotation. Flew 23 combat sorties with 83 hours providing close air support to U.S. and Coalition forces and decimating Taliban Narcotics Operations. Direct air support essential for saving numerous U.S. and Coalition forces' lives.

Go-to officer for organizing A-10 static displays and mission briefings for the local community and while deployed. Provided A-

Capt Gardner accepting award from a tour of Congress-Brig Gen Suro and CAPT Kallemeier office. Also traveled to Missouri State Capitol as a pilot representative to various state congress and senate delegations.

Captain Christine Gorgas, USAFR ~ Her exceptional leadership abilities were critical to the success of the 442d deployment in support of Operation FREEDOM'S SENTI-NEL and RESOLUTE SUPPORT. She authored and delivered 523 pre-mission briefs providing aircrews with valuable intelligence information. Her efforts providing actionable intelligence facilitating 3,300 combat flight hours, contributing to 225 enemy killed in action, decimating Taliban Narcotics Operations. She advanced A-10 cadre mission effectiveness by providing rapid area of operation spin-up and expediting intelligence set-up which allow for quicker Air Tasking Order missions, sixty-two percent faster than average. She redefined flight metrics, identified ten actionable trends, which contributed to the decisions made by the Operation RESOLUTE SUPPORT Commanders. Her efforts earned her the 451st Air Expeditionary Group Company Grade Officer of the first quarter 2018.

A program manager for 4 wing and 11 group level programs in which she has revamped 7 key programs. She earned the Unit Effectiveness Inspection Su-



Capt Gorgas and her husband with their parents

perior Performer Award and the Unit Effectiveness Inspection Superior Performer Award.

On Sunday, the convention voted to change the department officer terms to two years, this change will be effective with the 2020 election. Due to the poor attendance at recent conventions it was voted to change the location to St. Louis. Hopefully bringing the event closer to reserve sites will increase participation and encourage new members to attend at least some of the events. The convention closed after the 2019 department officers were installed. Put it on your calendar the 2020 convention will be held at the Embassy Suites in St. Charles, MO on 24-26 April.

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### Legislative Affairs

By CAPT Michael Nolan, USN (Ret)

As we move into the summer of 2019, the budget and appropriations process is now in full swing on Capitol Hill. The Senate Armed Services

Committee (SASC) and the Defense Subcommittee on the House Armed Services Committee (HASC) have finished their work in drafting their respective bills. Both committees are now awaiting their counterparts on the other side of Capitol Hill to take up their own version of the defense authorization and defense spending bills for 2020.

SASC Chairman, **Senator Jim Inhofe** (R-OK), indicated in a statement that this year's National Defense Authorization Act keeps the nation on course with spending levels which began last year and will result in the implementation of the National Defense Strategy that restores our combat advantage and supports our warfighters.

However, the Senate Armed Services Committee and the House Appropriations Committee each approached the 2020 spending differently, thus setting the stage for a series of congressional negotiations in the coming months. The initial base budgets proposed by these two committees follows:

Initial Base Budgets Approved for 2020

Dollars in Billions

SASC HASC Difference

Budget-2020 \$642.5 \$622.1 \$20.4

There are other major differences in another category called Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) which need to be worked out by the Senate and House. On top of this the White House Fiscal Year 2020 Defense Budget request released during March 2019 includes a request for a base budget of \$544.5 billion dollars. This amount ad-

heres to the 2011 Budget Control Act which is still in effect. As most ROA members know this Budget Control Act of 2011 has resulted in the government working under a Continuing Resolution (CR) for at least seven of the last nine years. This Continuing Resolution seriously affects the readiness of our active duty and reserve personnel.

ROA members are urged to call the office of their elected members of Congress to request immediate repeal of the Budget Control Act. This will allow our nation to implement the long-term national defense strategy (including new ships, aircraft, research, etc.) which will restore our combat advantage and support the men/women serving in our armed forces. I recommend you call the offices of your member of the House and both U.S. Senators from our state:

Senate/House Members	<b>Telephone</b>
Senator Roy Blunt	202 224-5721
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# **National Council Report**

By CAPT Dick Kallemeier, USN (Ret)

The ROA National President (Don Stockton), President-Elect (Judi Davenport), Executive Director (Jeff Phillips) and staff members continue to communicate with the National Council via a monthly teleconference. Recently Jeff Philips updated us on the five lines of effort in the *ROA* 

Strategy 2017-2022. Each item has multiple actions but in the interest of space the list has been edited. Item 1 Increase revenue and decrease expenses ~ MMB roof replacement is complete. ~ The Pershing Society has generated more than \$1.3M in cash and pledges and is on track against targets. ~ Fund raising contractor, working with staff, is revitalizing the ROA Industry Partners non-501c3 fundraising campaign. Item 2 Influence legislation and military policy ~ ROA co-hosted annual House Reserve and Guard Caucus in the Capitol Visitor Center in May. ~ Completed House and Senate meetings with congressional staff for ROA legislative issues in the NDAA. ~ Jeff Phillips testified on various RC-related bills before Senate Veterans Affairs Committee 22 May. Item 3 Grow membership ~ Membership Chairman LTC Milt Houghton, reports that in April had its first net increase in a long time. ROA total membership. ~ Staff revising all materials, procedures to ensure we reflect new all-ranks membership. Item 4 Improve communications ~ Reserve Voice Online is now issued monthly. ~ ROA's latest opinion piece regarding reserve health care cost and availability was published June 2 online in The Hill. Item 5 Provide quality products and services ~The ROA web employment portal is still being developed; anticipate launch in June or July at latest. ~ The first COL Eileen Bonner Scholarship for Medical Excellence has been made to SSgt Marianna O'Brien, 109th Medical Group Stranton Air National Guard Base, Scotia, New York. This award provides a \$1,000 scholarship paid directly to the college/ university.



Registration is now open online at <a href="www.roa.org">www.roa.org</a>. At roa.org you may register for the convention and make reservations for the hotel. Convention registration is \$225 and the ROA daily rate for the hotel is \$109. The hotel rate deadline is 4 September.

If you plan to attend and wish to be a delegate please notify **CAPT Kallemeier** at <u>dickkall@charter.net</u> or 636 733-3323. The delegate list must be submitted by 13 September.

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### **Naval Services Affairs**

Compiled by CDR Ann Sedovic, USN (Ret)

For the Navy, the Naval Military Personnel Manual (MILPERSMAN) 1050-415 is the general policy for leave entitlements in connection with a birth or adoption of a child. For those members giving birth, a 6-week non-chargeable convalescent leave is given. This affords the new mother time to recover

and bond with the infant. The member is not subject to recall during this period. If they are at the end of their active duty time, they can extend in order to take their maternity leave if "deemed medically necessary."

Reservists, however, are another matter. A reservist on *active duty* orders is also afforded the same non-chargeable, full pay convalescent leave...as long as it does not go beyond their active orders. They are not allowed to extend for the purpose of using their maternity convalescent leave and there is **no** provision for an extension even if "deemed medically necessary."

For the weekend drilling reservist (not on orders) that just gave birth...they are readily penalized by losing their entitlements of pay and retirement points because of their inability to drill and train. There is no maternity leave. There is no policy on supporting a drilling reservist or National Guard member that gives birth.

As the Officer in Charge for a large Navy Operational Support Unit, I had several pregnant sailors under my command. The Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) where we drilled had cut its number of "make-up" weekends down to one due to reduced active duty manning and budget cuts. I worked with my sailors, the active duty staff and other reserve units, trying to reschedule drills and 2-week Annual Tours to help these new mothers save their entitlements. (I had one sailor come to drill for a day just 2 weeks after giving birth because she didn't want to lose the entire weekend.) Unfortunately, most lost at least 4-8 drill periods and their required Annual Tours impacting their finances, retirement points and in some cases their career time-line.

Most service members that are pregnant or have just given birth are not allowed to travel and can lose their seats from scheduled schools or Additional Duty for Training (ADT) opportunities. In the Army National Guard, women are also not allowed to participate in many trainings during their pregnancy and for nearly six months afterwards. This certainly impacts finances, points and the ability to make a "good" drill year for retirement. Furthermore, the missed training can easily lead to lost or delayed promotions, advancement and career growth.

Recently, ABC News/Good Morning America provided a piece written by **Katie Kindelan** about military reservists fighting for paid maternity leave. She reported "The Mothers of Military Service (MOMS) Leave Act is being considered by Congress as a possible amendment to the 2020 National Defense Authorization Act. If passed, it would give moms across all reserve components of the military, including the National Guard, pay and points for 12 pay periods following pregnancy and childbirth."

This amendment is imperative for our reservists. For the most part, the civilian sector provides flexibility and incentives to keep their talented workforce while their employees also grow a family. To stay in the military for many is just too much due to the disparities and unnecessary hardships put on their desire to serve. This amendment will certainly help retain many highly qualified and dedicated women by providing the flexibility to continue with their military careers.

Our Reserves and National Guard are trained and prepared to be called to duty at any time. Men AND Women. They do this while also working civilian jobs, raising families and supporting their communities. Their dedication runs deep. If reservists are expected to be as prepared as the fulltime active duty personnel; then the reservists should be afforded the same entitlements and treated comparably to the active duty.

# **Army Affairs** By COL Mark Troutman, USA (Ret) reprinted from AUSA Army Magazine

#### Retirement System: A good deal Missed?

Some soldiers may be sorry down the road for not signing up for the Blended Retirement System during the optin period that ended Dec. 31. The results of the optin, which required a complex decision with difficult choices, will have researchers examining why more troops did not choose the new system. The answers will impact retention and readiness. One question that might be asked, based on early data, is whether soldiers missed out on a good deal.

The system replaces the High-3 system in which individuals had to have served 20 years' active or equivalent reserve service to qualify for retirement benefits. The Blended Retirement System offers service members a reduced annuity combined with automatic and government matched deposits to the Thrift Savings Plan, where individuals can invest in a range of low-cost investment funds. In addition, troops may take a lump-sum distribution upon retirement of up to 50% of the discounted value of their retirement in exchange for reduced annuity payments until full retirement age.

While not part of the Blended Retirement System, the authorizing legislation also created a midcareer Continuation Pay for service members in which they may receive a minimum of 2.5 times monthly pay as a one-time bonus at midcareer (8–12 years of service) up to a maximum of 13 months' pay, with the rate set by the needs of the service. The Blended Retirement System clearly offers soldiers more choice.

#### **Air Force Affairs**

By Col Bob Shankel, USAF (Ret)

The 303 FS got a new commander on 1 June. Lt Col Rick "McGraw" Mitchell assumed command of the squadron where, as a lieutenant, he

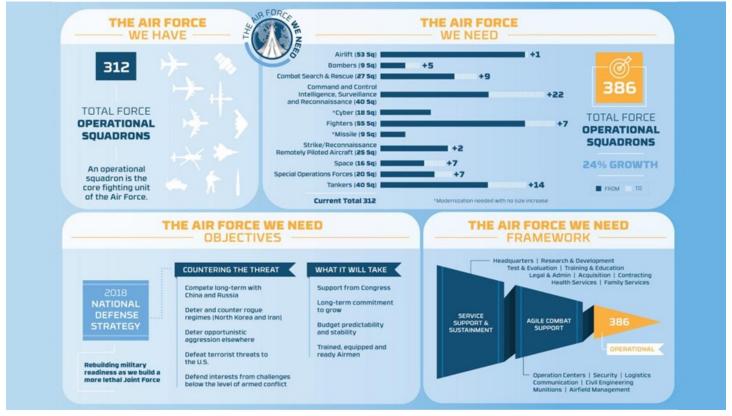


first flew the A-10 while on active duty assigned to the 303rd. Following several moves and leaving active duty, he now is a traditional reservist. McGraw is on leave from American Airlines but plans to return this fall.

All indications are that recently promoted **Brig Gen Roger Suro** will be leaving the 442<sup>nd</sup> at the end of this summer. However, no replacement has been made public.

The 2020 NDAA has been forwarded by both the house and senate armed services committees including funding for the new wings on A-10 aircraft that would keep it flying thru 2030 and beyond. The warthog has been pronounced dead by many in the Air Force numerous times but refuses to expire. The Missouri Department and ROA have been instrumental in continuing the effort the keep the A-10 in the inventory and upgraded.

The retiring Secretary of the Air Force, **Heather Wilson**, has determined the current 312 squadrons are insufficient to meet the requirements of the 2018 National Defense Strategy. Expanding the Air Force total force to 386 operational squadrons, its core fighting unit, is necessary (See chart below). Whether the new SecDef and AF Secretary pursue her recommendations remains to be seen.



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#### 2019

- CIOR/CIOMR Congress, Tallinn, Estonia, 5-9 Aug
- National Convention, Des Moines Marriott Downtown, Des Moines, IA 26-29 Sep

#### *2020*

- National Council and Leadership Conference Washington, DC 15-17 Mar
- MO Department Convention, Embassy Suites, St. Charles, MO 24-26 Apr

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