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Speaker: Colonel Christopher Richie, USMC Active Duty

Program: A sea story from an event that occurred in Haiti in 2010 when he was the CO of a Marine Air Ground Task Force. The story centers on the importance of being prepared; inspiring courage, and instilling character.

Colonel Richie is the Marine Corps Advisor to Air University (Montgomery, AL), a faculty instructor in the Department of Leadership and Warfighting, and the Director of the Air War College General "Hap" Arnold Executive Leadership Series. He also serves as a board member for the Alabama Military Hall of Honor and **is the newly sworn in Vice President for our East-Central Alabama Chapter of Military Officer's Association of America.**

A career Aviation Command and Control (AC2) officer with over 29 years' experience, Colonel Richie has served in multiple key command and staff positions. Six months after 9/11, then-Captain Richie led a Company of 135 Marines during a classified 8-month deployment in the Middle East. From 2005-2008, then-Major Richie served as a Department Head and Instructor at Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron-1 teaching advanced tactics to joint service members. From 2009 to 2011, then-Lieutenant Colonel Richie commanded over 700 Marines during a period of high operational tempo consisting of deployments to Iraq, Afghanistan, and Latin America. In 2010, he assumed concurrent command of a Marine Air Ground Task Force of 505 Marines and Sailors, embarked on the USS IWO JIMA (LHD-7) and led eight security cooperation engagements in Central America, South America and Haiti. From 2012-2014, he was the Deputy Director, U.S. Liaison Office at the U.S. Embassy, United Arab Emirates responsible for foreign military sales (\$19 billion program) and Theater Security Cooperation in the Central Command Area of Operations. From 2015-2017, Colonel Richie commanded over 2,500 Marines in Miramar, California where he supported multiple deployments around the globe and led the Marine Corps AC2 community as the Executive Steering Committee Chairman. In addition to teaching strategic leadership, strategic planning, and the art of command elective for the Air War College, Colonel Richie volunteers as an Auburn University College of Business mentor and is a part-time instructor (leadership and ethics) for Auburn University.

He is a graduate of Auburn University (1992, BS, Business Management); Regis University (2000, MBA with honors); Air Command and Staff College (2005, MS, Military Operational Art & Science); and Air War College (2012, MS, Strategic Studies). Col Richie has served in 20 countries including Europe, East Asia, South America, Central America, and the Middle East. He is an award-winning author (military professional journals) and an Amazon Best Seller (children's Christian values category).

** The views expressed by Colonel Richie are his own and do not necessarily reflect the official policy or position of the United States Government, Department of Defense, United States Marine Corps, or Air University. **

**The next dinner meeting for the chapter is Tuesday, November 16, 2021
at 6 PM at the Moore's Mill Country Club.
The address is 1957 Fairway Dr. Auburn, AL 36830.
Meals are \$25 per person.**

A set of three raffle tickets is \$5 if you would like to purchase a set.

Please RSVP to 334-826-1107 or bohler1107@charter.net by Fri., Nov 12th.

Menu

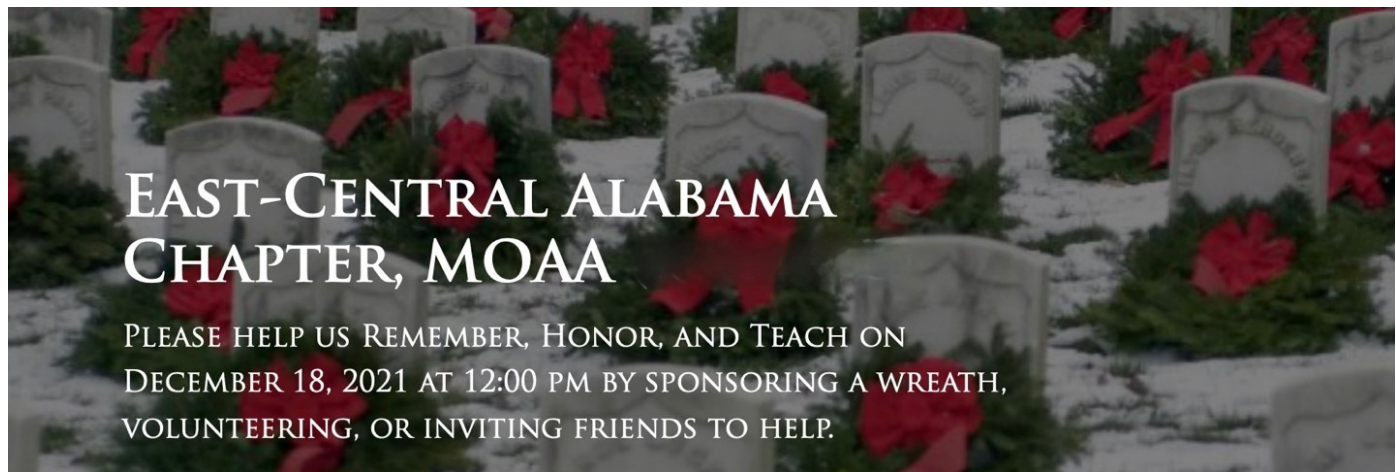
Roasted Pork Loin

Meatloaf

Fingerling Potatoes

Broccoli Medley

Key Lime Pie



REMEMBER the Fallen. . .
HONOR those who Serve. . .

TEACH our children the value of Freedom.

On December 18, 2021 at 12:00 pm, East-Central Alabama Chapter, MOAA will be helping Fort Mitchell National Cemetery to Remember and Honor our veterans by laying Remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes.

Please help us honor and remember as many fallen heroes as possible by sponsoring remembrance wreaths, volunteering on Wreaths Day, or inviting your family and friends to attend with you.

ECAC-MOAA is not asking for volunteers to lay wreaths...unless you want to attend the ceremony. There will be organizations there like the Scouts, JROTC units, and others who will do this. All we are asking is that you buy wreaths.

Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization so your purchases are tax-deductible. In addition, the ECAC Chapter earns a kickback so we can do other good deeds. Everyone WINS!

Go through the ECAC-MAA website: <https://ecacmoaa.com/programs> or directly here to order: <https://wreathsasscrossamerica.org/pages/159330>

November 29th is the LAST day to buy a wreath, so it will arrive at Fort Mitchell on time.



ECAC-MOAA's 2021 Meeting Dates

Jan 19 th	Tuesday	5 PM	Virtual by Zoom
Feb 16 th	Tuesday	5 PM	Virtual by Zoom
Mar 16 th	Tuesday	5 PM	Virtual by Zoom
Apr 20 th	Tuesday	5 PM	Virtual by Zoom
May 18 th	Tuesday	5 PM	Virtual by Zoom
Jun	None		
Jul	None		
Aug 17th	Tuesday	5 PM	Cancelled
Sep 21 st	Tuesday	6 PM	Virtual by Zoom
Oct 19 th	Tuesday	6 PM	Moore's Mill Club
Nov 16 th	Tuesday	6 PM	Moore's Mill Club
Dec 14 th	Tuesday	6 PM	Moore's Mill Club

**Businesses in
Area Recognizing
Veterans This Year**

Restaurants: Applebee's, Red Lobster, Wendy's, Dunkin, Golden Corral, and Cici's Pizza

Stores: Academy Sports, Bed Bath & Beyond, Great Clips, Office Depot, Publix, Rack Room Shoes, and Target

Who Can Join?

Membership in the East-Central Alabama Chapter is open to any National MOAA member who is on active duty, reserve, retired, or a former commissioned officer or warrant officer in any component of the Seven Uniformed Services of the United States (U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Space Force, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Public Health Service, or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration). The Surviving Spouse of these individuals are also eligible to join and participate as regular members. Additionally, we offer Associate memberships to 4th year ROTC cadets at Auburn University and Tuskegee University as well as to the living spouse of a regular Chapter member.



Why join MOAA or a Chapter?

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is the country's leading organization protecting the rights of military service members and their families. Those who belong to MOAA not only lend their voices to a greater cause, but they also gain access to extensive benefits tailored to the needs and lifestyles of military



Membership Report from Board Meeting November 2021

As of October 31, 2021, the chapter has:	2021 Dues
65 Regular Members	\$20 Per regular member.
13 Surviving Spouse Members	\$15 Per dual member.
2 Associate Members	\$5 Per Surviving Spouse/Associate/ROTC
80 Total Members	

Per Chapter By-laws, you must become a member of National MOAA to belong to the chapter.

The November Board of Directors meeting was Tuesday, Nov. 2nd, at 1300 at the Horsefield residence. December’s meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 6th at 1300 at the Horsefield residence. Any member wishing to attend should contact a Board member for an invitation. *** If you have any membership information that has changed, please contact the membership chair Judy Bohler at 826-1107 or bohler1107@charter.net.**

Treasurer’s Report October 2021

Summary of Activity 10/01/2021 to 10/31/2021

Balance Forward from 10/01/2021	\$5,748.43		
Deposits/Credits		\$200.00	
Withdrawals/Debits			\$228.80
Service Charges	\$00.00		
Ending Balance as of 10/31/2021:			\$5,719.63

Veteran’s Day Observance

Please join us on Thursday, Nov. 11th, as we gather in concert with communities throughout the nation to honor those who have served our country. Beginning at 9 AM, the City of Auburn will hold a ceremony at the Veterans Memorial located at the northeast corner of Ross Street and Glenn Avenue.

A few of the guests attending the event include Auburn Mayor Ron Anders, U.S. Marine veteran Cpl. Jamie Popwell, and Pastor Jeff Damron from Pleasant View Christian Church. A reception will follow at the Auburn Chamber of Commerce at 714 E. Glenn Ave.

Attendees are encouraged to park at Felton Little Park, the East Glenn Avenue Municipal Parking Lot and at the Douglas J. Watson Municipal Complex. Parking for the disabled will be available on Ross Street between Glenn Avenue and Harper Avenue, which will be closed to through traffic during the ceremony. In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the City Council Chamber at 141 N. Ross St.



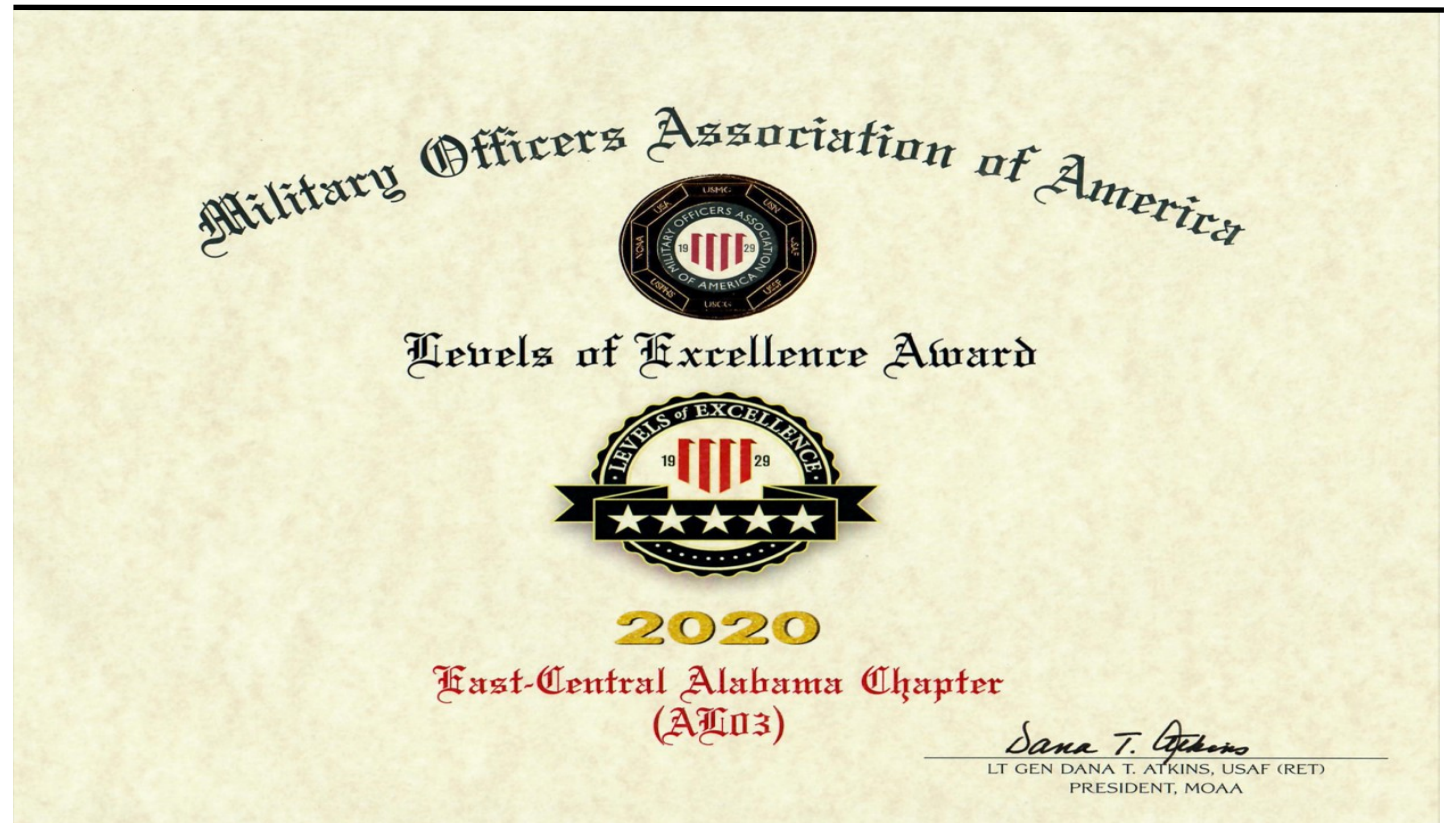
President's Letter

Greetings everyone!

If you missed it, last month we had our first dinner together in over a year and it was a really enjoyable event! Moore's Mill Country Club did a fantastic job with the food and it was way more fun to talk with everyone face to face. If you did attend, you probably noticed A LOT of new faces from our new members. So if you're wondering what I'm talking about, I'd like to invite you all to our next dinner so you can experience it for yourself.

We have also installed new Officers for our Chapter. I remain as President, Chris Richie is our new Vice-President, Jerry Williams is our new Secretary, and Gordon Bugg is our new Treasurer. Marilyn Horsefield is Chapter Affairs, Jeff Bohler is Communications, Judy Bohler is Programs and Banquets as well as chairing Membership, and Charlie Block is taking care of Legislative Affairs. The takeaway here is that our Chapter is strong, healthy and growing. With that in mind, I'd like to encourage everyone to attend this month's dinner for a nice night out with your friends!

Mike Horsefield
 ECAC MOAA President



East Central Alabama Chapter
 won the 2020
 Five Star Harris Communication Award
 and the
 Five Star Levels of Excellence Award



Legislative Chair—Charlie Block**National, State, & Local News****Legislative Update November Newsletter**

Defense Bill: A key step in the FY 2022 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) process came Sept. 23, when the House voted 316-113 to pass its version of the bill. Senate Armed Services Committee leadership filed their version of the NDAA the day before; that chamber must now complete its floor amendment process and vote on its version before the chambers can conference the bill to resolve differences between the versions. Here are some highlights on the House and Senate versions of the NDAA, which includes many MOAA-backed improvements to military pay and benefits programs.

Pay Raise: A 2.7% military pay raise is included in both the House and Senate bills, and some lawmakers have noted the increase does not keep up with inflation. This raise remains tied to the Employment Cost Index (ECI) but fails to address a pay gap of 2.6% when pay raises fell below ECI in 2014-2016.

Basic Needs Allowance

Provisions from the Military Hunger Prevention Act are included in both versions of the NDAA this year and will authorize a new allowance for families that fall within a band of the local poverty line. The House version is stronger than the Senate version at this time. This Advocacy in Action topic is likely to progress through the NDAA conference.

Health Care

The Senate Armed Services Committee (SASC) version of the NDAA contains directive report language addressing two of MOAA's key issues.

Pharmacy Tier 4/Non-Covered Drugs: The committee report directs the Defense Health Agency to establish an appeals process for coverage of TRICARE Tier 4/non-covered drugs, a MOAA goal since Tier 4 was implemented.

Legislative Updates Continued:

Parental Leave: Both NDAA versions would help military families gain equity with their federal civilian counterparts, expanding parental leave, both primary and secondary to 12 weeks for the birth or adoption of a child and the long-term placement of a foster child. The House version updates regulations to ensure approved parental leave is not terminated upon the death of the child for whom the leave was taken. Alternatively, the Senate version provides for the creation of a new leave category – bereavement leave – which would allow two weeks of leave to be taken at no charge upon the death of a spouse or child.

NDAA language in the House and Senate indicates selective service will grow to include women this year. The final report from the National Commission on Military, National, and Public Service recommended women should register for selective service. Although MOAA remains committed to protecting the all-volunteer force and not returning to the draft, the report highlighted many important recruiting challenges. For example, the commission estimated 70% of 18-to-26-year-olds in the U.S. cannot meet the physical and psychological standards for service and provided important perspective to sustain and improve benefits for the all-volunteer force.

Charlie Block
Legislative Chair

October Minutes from General Meeting

- ✦ Mike Horsefield called the meeting to order on Oct. 19th at 6PM.
- ✦ Welcome members and guests: Ron Reynolds and wife, Susan; Jon Castellanos and wife, Cheryl; and Ron Carson and wife, Cindy
- ✦ Surprise about the free meal, board voted to start the meeting after a 1 1/2 year pandemic break with a bang.
- ✦ Swear-In: Past President Emmett Johnson swore in the 2021-2023 Board: President-Mike Horsefield, Vice President-Chris Richie, Secretary-Jerry Williams, Director Public Affairs-Marilyn Horsefield, Director Legislative-Charlie Block, Director Communication- Jeff Bohler, Director Program/Banquet-Judy Bohler, and Treasurer-Gordon Bugg was out of town to be sworn in at the November board meeting.
- ✦ Wreaths Across America- wreaths are \$15 on the ECAC-MOAA website to buy by Nov. 30th.
- ✦ Prayer
- ✦ Dinner & Social time
- ✦ Raffle won by Brad Lynn
- ✦ Return nametags
- ✦ Adjourned at 8:00.

FYI: Distaff Club If you are somewhat new to ECAC MOAA, you may not be aware that there is a local organization called Distaff Club for military spouses. They restaurants hop on the second Wednesday of the month in the Auburn/Opelika area. Traditionally, the February meeting includes a bring a spouse/friend/Valentine to lunch and the December meeting has an ornament exchange. They enjoy getting together to socialize and getting to know one another. Dues are only \$5.00 a year. If interested, please contact Judy Bohler, President, (334) 826-1107 or Cathy Golden, Treasurer, (334) 246-7142. Come join us!



COVID-19 Vaccines at Veterans Administration Facilities

We're working closely with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other federal partners to provide COVID-19 vaccines as quickly and safely as we can. We know you have a lot of questions, and information is changing fast. Please check back often for updates. We'll continue to update this page as we have new information to offer.

Central Alabama VA Medical Center-Tuskegee

2400 Hospital Road
Tuskegee, AL 36083-5001

Get directions

COVID-19 vaccines at VA

Main number: 334-727-0550

Update on Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) COVID-19 vaccine

We're following Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) guidance to pause in providing the Janssen vaccine at this time. This pause is due to a concern about possible rare side effects. Your safety is our top priority.

For more information, go to the CDC website. Read the CDC and FDA statement on the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine.

If you have a vaccine appointment scheduled, your VA

These groups are now also eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine at VA when their local VA health facilities are able to offer more vaccines:

1. All Veterans
2. Spouses and surviving spouses of Veterans
3. Caregivers of Veterans. For COVID-19 vaccine eligibility, we define a caregiver as a family member or friend who provides care to a Veteran. Caregivers may help a Veteran with personal needs like feeding, bathing, or dressing. They may also help a Veteran with tasks like shopping or transportation.
4. Recipients of Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (CHAMPVA) benefits.

Sign up to get a COVID-19 vaccine

<https://www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine/>

Twelve Students Receive ECAC-MOAA Awards 2020



ECAC-MOAA High School JROTC Award Winners



Auburn High School JROTC

Cadet Major Daphne Conover

Cadet Major Daphne Conover is currently the Personnel Officer for the Tiger Battalion at Auburn High School. Her performance this year has been exemplary and she has been instrumental in revamping our entire battalion SOP. Her efforts, especially in the personnel area, have ensured that Cadets have been rewarded for the achievements through ribbons and promotions in a timely and efficient manner. Cadet Major Conover is the commander of our International Humanitarian Law team, the first of its kind in the state of Alabama. This is a partnership between our JROTC program and the American Red Cross in Alabama that focuses on the effects of war in third-world countries. Daphne currently holds a 3.4 GPA and her future plan is to enlist in either the Army or the Air Force. Her plan is to have a career in the military and get her Master's degree while serving. With all that said, she is definitely worthy of this award and will represent the Association well.

Booker T. Washington High School JROTC

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Kaitlin Copeland

Kaitlin Copeland is the daughter of Stephen and Vanessa Copeland. Kaitlin is a senior at Booker T. Washington High School where she is actively involved in cheerleading, JROTC, and The True North Club. Throughout high school she has been awarded the Superior Cadet Award, Highest Average for JROTC LET 2 & 3, Gold Scholar, and many more. After four years of JROTC, she is proud to serve as the Battalion Commander for the Eagle Battalion. Kaitlin has been accepted into Clemson University, Jackson State University, Alabama State University, Mercer University, University of West Georgia, Jacksonville State, and more. Kaitlin's major is in business management, while her goal is to become an esthetician and own a shop. Whenever she's not doing schoolwork, her hobbies include shopping, pampering herself, and spending time with family and friends. Kaitlin will be successful because of God, her hard work, and the support of family and friends.

Smiths Station High School JROTC

Cadet Captain Demetrius Trigger

Cadet Captain Demetrius Trigger is currently serving as the Commanding Officer for the Smiths Station High School Marine Corps JROTC Program. Demetrius is a member of the Raider Team and has participated in numerous color guard ceremonies. Demetrius has served key billets in the program from Platoon Guide, Company First Sergeant to Company Commander. He has put in many volunteer hours in the program and within the community for House of Heroes and Habitat for Humanity. Demetrius's current GPA is 3.4 and will graduate on May 27th 2021. His future plan is to attend Virginia Military Institute and major in Biology. Also plan to pursue a commission into the Air Force as a Security Force Officer.

Central High School JROTC

Cadet Seaman Apprentice Andres Gracia

Cadet Seaman Apprentice Andres Gracia has been recognized and awarded for exemplary personal appearance, physical fitness, participation, unit service, and community service. Cadet Gracia is in good academic standing with the school and the NJROTC program. Cadet Gracia exhibits a high order of loyalty to the Red Devil Battalion, Central High School, and the United States. Imbued with a high moral character, Cadet Gracia shows exceptional potential for military leadership.



ECAC-MOAA Auburn Univ. ROTC Award Winners



Auburn University Air Force ROTC

Cadet Colonel Turner H. Boland

Cadet Turner H. Boland leads Det 005 as the newly appointed Wing Commander. During his previous assignment he served as the Operations Group Commander responsible for Practical Military Training, Leadership Laboratory, and Physical Training at Auburn University Detachment 005. His direct responsibilities include mentoring and providing guidance for the overall success of IMT, FTP, and LTS Squadrons. These squadrons facilitate training 4 times a week for 70 General Military Course cadets on a weekly basis, adhering to the objectives set in the T-508. It is under his concern to ensure these objectives are tracked and met up to the highest standards achievable.

Cadet Boland is from Peachtree City, Georgia and graduated from Starr's Mill High School. He was a dual sport Athlete and earned letters for football and wrestling. Afterwards, he spent a year working full time in Alabama in order to earn in-state tuition so he could attend Auburn University. In four years of school, Cadet Boland has established a 3.7 Cumulative GPA, Majoring in Business Analytics and minoring in Aerospace Studies. Now an AS400 in the program, Cadet Boland has seen many jobs in the Wing. Some of the more important jobs include Physical Training Flight Commander, Field Training Preparation Squadron Flight Commander, Deputy Training Group Commander, and Operations Group Commander.

The roles he has played in the detachment have been dynamic and have seen drastic changes since entering the program. For example, during his time as the Physical Training Flight Commander, Cadet Boland created the Physical Fitness Assessment Excel Tracker we use today and hosted the first Wing Event at the Ecology Preserve. As a Field Training Preparation Squadron Flight Commander, he facilitated training for cadets preparing them for Field Training and devised an alternate training plan when COVID-19 forced the Detachment to go virtual. In his time on Group Staff as a deputy and commander, Cadet Boland oversaw the execution of a year's worth of training for 70+ cadets. Cadet Boland will continue the tradition of excellent at Det 005! War Eagle!

Auburn University Army ROTC

No One Submitted

Auburn University Naval ROTC Marine

Midshipman 1/C Jenna B. McCullar

Midshipman Jenna McCullar reported to Auburn University in August 2017 and has proven to be a vital leader. She has served in a variety of challenging billets throughout her time in the battalion and is now the Battalion's Executive Officer for the spring 2021 semester. She is graduating in May of 2021 and will be attending the Marine Corps' Officer Candidate School in Quantico, VA. Upon completion of OCS, she will then receive her commissioning and report to The Basic School for further training. MIDN McCullar has a 2.91 Microbial Biology.

Auburn University Naval ROTC Navy

Midshipman 1/C Zachary D. Bradberry

Midshipman Zachary Bradberry reported to Auburn University in August 2017 and has sustained an extremely high level of performance both academically and physically. He has served in a variety of challenging billets throughout his time in the battalion with the highest billet being a Company Executive Officer. He is commissioning in May and will report to Yokosuka, Japan to be a first tour division officer onboard USS MILIUS (DDG-69). MIDN Bradberry has a 3.80 GPA in Mechanical Engineering.



ECAC-MOAA Tuskegee Univ. ROTC Award Winners



Tuskegee University Air Force ROTC

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Kamary Sexton

Cadet Kamary Sexton was the lead for Cadet Field Training preparation. She developed a rigorous tailored curriculum which yielded a 100% increase in training slots as well as a 100% first time past rate on the Physical Fitness Assessment. She was the clear choice to be the Fall 2021 Cadet Wing Commander and to serve as a Cadet Training Assistant in a complex training environment. Kamary is an Agricultural Business Major and hails from Tuskegee Alabama. She hopes to become an Air Force Acquisitions Officer.

Tuskegee University Army ROTC

Cadet Captain Jasmine Rose

Cadet Jasmine Rose was born and raised in Birmingham, AL. She graduated from Minor High School in 2012. In April of that year, she joined the Alabama Army National Guard. She served as a Chemical Specialist in the 440th Chemical Company for six years and was promoted to Sergeant. She attended Auburn University where she graduated in 2016 with a Bachelors of Arts in Sociology. During her time at Auburn, she was a Jordan- Hare Stadium Ambassador, President of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars, Black Student Union, and the Ladies Society of Collegiate Success. In 2017 she attended Basic Leader Course and graduated.

In the Fall of 2018 she enrolled at Tuskegee University for graduate school. She became inducted into Epsilon Tau Sigma Honor Society of the National Society of Allied Health. She also enrolled in Army ROTC where she has been number one in her class twice, won Cadet of the month twice, and served as Cadet Executive Officer and Company Commander. She is expected to graduate this year earning a Master of Science in Occupational Therapy.

Tuskegee University Naval ROTC Marine

Midshipman 1/C Tou Tao Vang

Midshipman Tou Tao Vang reported to Tuskegee University in August 2017, and has sustained an extremely high level of performance ever since. He has served in a variety of challenging billets throughout the battalion, and is currently serving as the Commanding Officer. As battalion CO, he has consistently been forced to manage his time above and beyond the average midshipman, but has produced exceptional results. He is a mentor to his peers and other midshipmen in the program, and has all the makings of a fine Marine Officer.

Tuskegee University Naval ROTC Navy

Midshipman 1/C Joshua Caleb Licea

Midshipman Joshua Licea reported to Tuskegee University in August 2017, and has sustained an extremely high level of performance ever since. He has served in a variety of challenging billets throughout the battalion, and is currently serving as the Training Officer. As an Aerospace Engineering major, he has consistently been forced to manage his time above and beyond the average midshipman, but has produced exceptional results. He is a mentor to his peers and other midshipmen in the program, and has all the makings of a fine Naval Officer.



ECAC-MOAA Military Academy Award Winner



Southern Preparatory Academy

Cadet Major Heath Norrell

Major Heath Norrell has attended Southern Preparatory Academy for seven years. He currently serves as the Battalion Commander of the Corps of Cadets. During his seven years, Major Norrell has held several Leadership positions: Squad Leader, Platoon Sergeant, 1SG, and Charlie Company Commander. Heath served as the Color Guard Commander for two years where he received many rewards. He also served as the Drill Team Commander where he came in 3rd place at the 2019 Alabama State Drill Meet. Major Norrell has been on the BETA club and been on the cross country team for two years. Cadet Major Heath Norrell has been offered a 3 year ROTC Scholarship at University of North Georgia where he plans to attend in the fall.

Motivational Quote of the Month

Be Brave. Take Risks. Nothing can substitute experience.

Paulo Coelho

MEMBER SECTION

Below

New member, Ron Reynolds and his wife, Susan. USAF



Below

New member, Jon Castellanos and his wife, Cheryl. USAF



Above

New member, Ron Carson, Jr. and his wife, Cindy. USMC

ECAC Mission Statement

The East-Central Alabama Chapter is an affiliate of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) and was chartered in 1970. It serves the cities of Auburn and Opelika, Alabama, as well as the surrounding areas of Lee, Chambers, Russell, Tallapoosa, and Macon counties in Alabama. The mission of the East-Central Alabama Chapter is to benefit the members of the uniformed services, their families and survivors, and to advocate for a strong national defense, while providing needed support to the community and its members.

Join ECAC Online!
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Left Photo: R to L

Past President Emmett Johnson swore-in the new 2021-2023 East Central Alabama Chapter of MOAA on Oct. 19, 2021. Going to the left is Jeff Bohler- Director of Communication, Mike Horsefield- President, Judy Bohler-Director of Banquets, Charlie Block-Director of Legislation, Marilyn Horsefield-Director of Public Affairs, Jerry Williams- Secretary, and Chris Richie-Vice President. Not photographed is Gordon Bugg, treasurer, who was sworn in at the Nov. 2nd board meeting.

Executive Officers, Board of Directors, Chair Positions for 2021-2023

President: Mike Horsefield
 Vice President: Chris Richie
 Secretary: Jerry Williams
 Treasurer: Mike Golden
 Director Chapter Affairs: Marilyn Horsefield
 Director Communication: Jeff Bohler
 Director Program & Banquet: Judy Bohler
 Director Legislative: Charlie Block
 Past President: Mike Golden

Chair Positions

Surviving Spouses Liaison:	Marilyn Horsefield	Monthly Meeting:	Judy Bohler
Tops:	Mike Horsefield	Guest Speakers:	Chris Richie
Membership:	Judy Bohler	By-Laws:	Charlie Block
Personal Affairs:	Marilyn Horsefield	State Council:	Charlie Block
Newsletter:	Judy Bohler	Legislative Updates:	Charlie Block
Web Site:	Jeff Bohler	MOAA News:	Charlie Block
Digital Communications:	Jeff Bohler	Chaplain:	Mike Golden
News Release:	Jeff Bohler		
ROTC Awards:	Jim Matthews		



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<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12227504/>



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