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Dover MOAA is a nonpartisan not for profit chapter of a national organization. See our website or Facebook page for more information.

This interactive newsletter is about upcoming Military Child meeting and nominations for officers. It also announces the sad passing of Lucy Findlay, our Surviving Spouse Liaison and Findlay JRTOC Scholarship Founder.



THIS WEEK'S MEETING:

Speaker: Susan Keene Haberstroh, MPA, Ed.D, Director of School Support Services, Student Supports Team, Delaware State Department of Education, left..

Meal Selection:

Chicken Florentine \$27, Lobster Ravioli \$29, Veal Picatta \$30, Lasagna \$23

Please call or email Tom at Tom Smith rotorhead65@aol.com with your menu selections as soon as you can.

This is a link to a video MOAA National published about the Month of the Military Child.

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=543261073258449>

Chapter news:

Very sad news to report: **Lucy Findlay** died suddenly while spending vacation time with her family.

We will miss her terribly, but her family wants the JROTC scholarship in George's name to go on. In addition, she will have a garden planted in her name in Downtown Dover.

Click <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/newszapde/name/lucy-findlay-obituary?id=34062983> to read her obituary about her amazing life.



In other chapter news:

We will be having elections soon: Bill Abernathy is the chair of the nominations committee.

President: Currently filled by Gene Thornton

1st VP (Membership): Currently filled by Greg Haven

2d VP (Programs): I recently appointed Ann Devers to this vacant position, will require a vote in November

Secretary: currently filled by Gene Thornton (acting due to it being vacant) need an elected official here please

Treasurer: Currently filled by Tom Smith

There are no term limits dictated by MOAA National, but they recommend periodic elections.

If anyone wishes to fill a vacant position or challenge a serving elected official, please get in touch with Bill. billabernathy91@aol.com or call 302-632-0629. We will advertise this for a few months; Bill will present the slate in Oct: we will vote in November; and the induction of new officers will be in January.

In addition: we have the following critical non-elected roles. If anyone is interested in them, you can let me or Bill know:

Surviving Spouse Liason: NOT AN ELECTED POSITION, but we are looking for someone to take over this role after Lucy Findlay's shockingly sudden death

Legislative Liason: NOT AN ELECTED POSITION Filled by Ron Sarg who is willing to continue, but we are looking for an "understudy" to work with Ron, perhaps fill in should Ron not be able to attend certain events, such as "Storm the Hill," a physically demanding (walking on Capitol Hill) activity which is currently done by Zoom, but may resume in person in the future. (MOAA funds the hotel and food for this, members provide their own transportation, and spouses are included.)

JROTC Coordinator: NOT AN ELECTED POSITION Filled by John Jackson

Newsletter/Press LNO: NOT AN ELECTED POSITION Filled by Gene Thornton

WEBMASTER/FB: NOT AN ELECTED POSITION Filled by Kerry Brooks

Please note: for all elected and appointed positions, members, spouses and surviving spouses may apply. Surviving Spouse LNO does not have to be a surviving spouse.

JROTC: John Jackson reports the following:

Findlay \$2,500 Award

Cadet Juliana Diaz, CR

Chapter \$1,500 Awards

Cadet Kyndall Wyngaard, 1st State

Cadet Roberto Santan-Cintron, 1stState

Cadet Harleigh-Lynn Rust, CR

Cadet Rocco Alessandro, CR

Cadet Cheyenne R Hill Smyrna

Each recipient will receive a congratulatory letter from the Chapter.

Scholarship Banquet details:

- Thursday, May 19th at Roma's in the North Room (the large room).
- Scholarship Certificates will be presented to each recipient during dinner
- The Cadets' meals will be paid for by the MOAA Chapter
- The Cadets' guests and JROTC staff will pay for their own meals
- A meal selection list will be sent out by April 30th

In addition, John has lined up the presenters for all the High School ceremonies. Please get in touch with John if you would like to be a backup for this year or if you want to get involved for next year. Email: johnj.milford@verizon.net

Veterans Community Support: **Pat Cerchio** has resumed meetings at the Office of Delaware Veterans Assistance conference room with the State Military Women's Group she leads. Please contact Pat at pat@NavyWN.com or call 302-387-1309 if you want to become involved.

See you Thursday!

Still Serving,

Gene

Eugenia Thornton, Dover Chapter President