



# Coastal Carolina Military Officer's Association

In Memory of  
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### From the President CAPT MARIE SENZIG NC USN (RET.)



Greetings from Wisconsin. I'm happy to report that my mother continues in relatively

good health, with her private duty nurse. The weather here is "hot and humid" which means High 80's with heat index to mid 90's, preferable to "hot and humid" in North Carolina!

I heard the May Scholarship dinner was well attended with good food and grateful scholarship recipients.

Our Scholarship Fund is relatively healthy so the Board voted to take a year off the 50/50 Scholarship Raffle. My brother was already asking about tickets though.

The New Bern Purple Heart Dinner, Saturday August 6th was attended by Chapter **CAPT Patricia (Trish) Miller USN (Ret.)**, **LCDR Jill Mayer USNR** (former Navy Nurse, Vietnam War), Mr. and Mrs. Iggi Husar also attended repre-

senting American Legion Post 539. We had 8 free tickets - people were either busy or not aware of our tickets.

**Col Malcolm and LCOL Mary Roberts USA (Ret.)** attended the state Council MOAA meeting at Blowing Rock, NC August 5th and 6th in my stead much appreciated. The big news was our selection again as a 4 star chapter by National for 2015.

**Col Malcolm** will again be representing our chapter at the annual **Craven County Veterans Stand Down** at the National Guard Armory in New Bern, on 16 September 2016. Our chapter is donating (4) \$25.00 gift cards to be award to attending veterans. This Stand Down targets homeless and struggling veterans.

Our next event will be the dinner meeting at the new **Moore's BBQ** on September 15th. Please fill out the reservation form near the end of the newsletter.

### Next Event.

**Toys for Tots Luncheon**  
**9 December 2016**  
**1130**  
**At**  
**Taberna Country Club**

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## In Memoriam

### LtCol Charles Frederick Schwab USMC (Ret.)

**April 23, 1921 - June 29, 2016**



Lt. Col Charles Frederick Schwab died on June 29, 2016 at Carolina East Medical Center. Charles, son of Louis and Edith Schwab, was born April 23, 1921 in Stamford, Connecticut. After graduating from Stamford High School, he served 31 years in the U.S. Marine Corps,

retiring as a Lt. Col. in 1972. After boot camp at Paris Island, SC, Charles was sent to Cherry Point, where he was selected for flight school and designated a Naval Flight Officer assigned to an F-75 Tiger Cat squadron, the Marine Corps all weather aircraft. Later, he served with a research and development squadron in California, assigned to F4-B Phantom jets. Charles served in World War II, Korea and Vietnam, earning many honors, including the Legion of Merit with Combat, the Meritorious Service Medal, 14 air medals, a Navy Unit Citation, and the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal. His flights included missions in Okinawa, China, Hawaii, Japan, Korea, Vietnam and England. He retired at Cherry Point, NC where he was serving as Airfield Operation Officer. After retirement from the Marine Corps, he worked as manager of Stalling and Thomas Insurance Company in Havelock, NC from 1974 to 1994.

Charles dedicated himself to a life of Civic and Philanthropic leadership. He was one of the founding members of Annunciation Catholic Church in Havelock, NC, a member of the Parish Advisory Council and the School band. He served as a Commentator, Lector and Eucharistic Minister, and was a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus. Charles was a member of the Havelock Regional Develop-

mental Center and the first president of the Havelock Chili Festival. He was also a member of the local Board of Directors of BB&T, the Craven Community College Foundation, board member of NC DOT, President of the Civitan Club, President of the Navy League, a member of MOA, VFW, Elks, American Legion and the East Carolina Heritage Aviation Foundation. He was named citizen of the year by the Havelock Chamber of Commerce in 1974. Charles enjoyed the arts, supporting the NC Symphony, the Craven Concert Series and Tryon Palace Foundation.

On a personal level, Charles (affectionately known as Charlie) was known for his generosity and his respect and caring for others. He enjoyed golf, bridge (life master), and socializing with people. He loved to entertain and considered everyone a friend.

Charles is survived by his wife Marie Stoddard Schwab; sons, Louis Schwab and Charles Schwab (wife Michelle) of Lancaster, Mass; one daughter, Catherine Schwab Petersen of Naples, FL; one sister Joan Miller (husband Roger) of New Bern, NC; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition, he is survived by an extended family of three stepsons Britt Stoddard (wife Julia) of Cary, NC, Eric Stoddard (wife Laurie Ann) of Hudson, OH, and Jeffrey Stoddard (wife Jan) of Chapel Hill, NC and Ann Stoddard (wife of Alan Stoddard) deceased. His extended family also includes ten grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by wife, Leona Jacobs Schwab; his second wife Ethel Lew Schwab; parents Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schwab; sister Mary Lou Schwab; and stepson Alan Stoddard.

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The annual Toys for Tots luncheon will be held 09 December 2016 on Friday. I am sure we will again partner with **Naval Health Clinic Cherry Point (NHCCP)** to support the State Veterans Home in Kinston, NC.

If it does not conflict with a state MOAA meeting, I would like to see our chapter participation in the Veterans Day Pa-

rade.

Our Past President, **Capt Jim Dargan USMC (Ret.)** is making telephone calls to assemble a slate of Officers and Directors for the coming year. If he contacts you please consider serving our chapter. See you in late September.

## New Bern Purple Heart Dinner



The Ice Sculpture  
of the  
Purple Heart Ribbon  
was beautiful  
but I don't know who prepared it.

There were 106 Purple Heart recipients in attendance as well as approximately 700 people from the community.



### New Bern Purple Heart Dinner



CAPT Patricia (Trish) Miller USN (Ret.)  
and  
LCDR Jill Mayer USNR sat at the table sponsored  
by our  
Coastal Carolina MOAA Chapter in  
Memory  
of  
CAPT Jeanne Rubin, NC, USN.

### Scholarship Awards Dinner



Scholarship Recipients  
(Left to Right)  
Peter S. Bonnacci II—UNC Chapel Hill  
Jacob L. Oros—NC State  
Nathan C. Shaul—Duke  
Jordan L. Stinnette—UNC Chapel Hill  
Samantha B. Thall—UNC Chapel Hill

Sandra Tabak  
Doctor of Audiology  
From  
A.T. Still University of Health Sciences at  
Meza, Arizona



## Scholarship Recipients



**Scholarship  
(Left to Right)  
Capt Curtis Bare USMC (Ret.)  
Capt Alva Windham USMC (Ret.)  
Peter S. Bonnacci II—UNC Chapel Hill**



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**Council of Chapter Quarterly Meeting**

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**Military Officers Association  
of  
America  
Catawba Valley Chapter****12 August 2016**

To: Members of North Carolina Council of Chapters

Subject: Information for **11-12 November, 2016** Council of Chapters meeting

The **Catawba Valley Chapter** is proud to host the 4th quarter NC Council of Chapters meeting on Friday and Saturday, 11 and 12 November. The meeting will be in Hickory, NC at the **Crowne Plaza Hotel** located on the southern side of I-40 Exit 125, Lenoir Rhyne Boulevard.

Address is **1385 Lenoir Rhyne Blvd SE, Hickory, NC 28602**.

Rooms are \$95 plus tax. This price will be in effect for 10, 11 and 12 November. Reservations may be made by calling 828-323-1000 and asking for the block identifier Military Officers Association or MOA. Reservations must be made by October 30, 2016.

Friday evening dinner buffet will at 7:00 PM with cocktails starting at 6:00 PM in the Crowne Plaza ballroom. The price will be \$ 30.00 per person. Please fill out and mail the attached form for dinner reservations not later than 30 October, 2016. Saturday morning breakfast will the hotel buffet, if available, or order from the breakfast menu.

The Saturday morning meeting will begin at 8:30 AM at the Crowne Plaza hotel. A spouses visit to the Hickory Furniture Mart will be available on Saturday morning.

**Joe C. Cansler**

Catawba Valley Chapter President

**Reservations for the Council of Chapters 4th Quarterly Meeting**



**Military Officers Association  
of  
America  
Catawba Valley Chapter**

Subject: Reservation form for **November 11, 2016 NC Council of Chapters/Catawba Valley**  
Chapter buffet – Crowne Plaza hotel, Hickory, NC

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Spouse/Guest(s): \_\_\_\_\_

MOAA Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of \_\_\_\_\_ Buffet(s) @ \$30.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose check made payable to: Catawba Valley Chapter, MOAA.  
Send this form and check not later than October 30, 2016 to:

**CDR David Olson**  
471 26th Ave NE Unit B  
Hickory, NC 28601-1997

\_\_\_\_\_ Number interested in going to Hickory Furniture Mart on Saturday morning.

Questions:

Col (Ret) Joe C. Cansler – 704-878-0743 –  
[Cansler@roadrunner.com](mailto:Cansler@roadrunner.com)

CDR (Ret) David Olson – 828-328-4401 –  
[cdmolson@charter.net](mailto:cdmolson@charter.net)

**ATTENTION ALL VETERANS!!!**

CRAVEN COUNTY VETERANS' COUNCIL  
IS HOSTING  
A

**FREE LUNCHEON  
FOR ALL  
MILITARY VETERANS**

**November 6th  
At  
1100 - 1300**

**New Bern National Guard Armory  
301 Glenburnie Drive,  
New Bern, North Carolina  
Please bring proof of service.**

- Driver's license or ID with Veteran annotated
- Copy of DD 214
- Copy of veteran organization's membership's card
- Copy of VA VIC/Medical Card







You are cordially invited to our **September BBQ Dinner** at the  
 Moore's Barbeque  
**Thursday, 15, September 2016.**  
**Attire for this event:** Causal

Cocktail Social at 1730

Dinner Served at 1830

**Menu**

BBQ Pork, Chicken, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Hush Puppies and Banana Pudding

Cost is \$10.00 per person. All Taxes & Gratuities Included;

**Reservations for this event are requested by Friday, 9 September.**

Contact **Maj John Murphy** with cancellations NLT 48 hours prior to 13 September 2016  
(252) 571-5710

[1murfnc@earthlink.net](mailto:1murfnc@earthlink.net)

**Program(s) to be decided later**

Name(s) of members and guests \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ (\$10.00 per person). Make checks payable to CC/MOA.

**Mail to: Maj John D. Murphy**  
**243 Snead Road**  
**New Bern, NC 28560**

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 Association  
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 Havelock, NC 28532



*A 4 Star Level of Excellence  
 Chapter for 2012, 2013, 2014  
 and 2015*

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**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2016**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Uniform</u>
16 September 2016	0900—1300	<b><u>Craven County Veterans Stand Down</u></b> National Guard Armory	
20 October 2016	1130 - 1330	<b><u>Salute to Women in the Military</u></b> Havelock Tourist Center/Event 1130—1300 Tickets \$20.00 or Sponsor a table for \$250.00. Tickets available at Promise Place 1401 Park Avenue, New Bern NC (252) 636-3381	
09 December 2016	1130 – 1330	<b><u>Toys for Tots Luncheon</u></b> Taberna Country Club	