

Golf for Families of The Wounded Fund



Members of the Heritage Virginia chapter participated in the sold-out Families of the Wounded Fund (FOTWF) Charity Golf Classic & Reception August 20th & 21st, hosted by Ms. America, Caressa Cameron, at the Augustine Golf Club. Attendees included General Richard Myers, former Chairman JCS and Commissioner Virginia Department of Veterans Services, Paul Galanti. Proceeds go to assisting families with travel expenses when visiting wounded warriors undergoing treatment. FOTWF is different than the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program (VWWP). Info can be found on line at www.familiesofthewoundedfund.org/ or simply fotwf.org. **The next golf fund raiser for the FOTWF is 20 Sep 2010 at Brandermill Country Club of Midlothian VA – The 4th Annual Classic for FOTWF at this club, which is under new management. Brandermill phone: (804) 744-1185 (Mike Hatch). Entry Fee is \$400 for team (\$100 per player). Format is Captain’s Choice, Stableford Scoring. Players may enter as individuals and be placed with others to create a team. Sponsorships are available from \$500 to \$1,500.**

/ provided by Lt Dave Hawtin, Heritage Chapter Legislative Rep & VCOC Secretary Col Jim Rose (of Richmond Area Chapter)

Next Honor Flight – 16 October 2010

Help World War II Veterans see the monument dedicated to their honor.



Chapters near Washington DC assist with various portions of the national honor flight events, which in addition to the WWII Memorial, include stops at Arlington National Cemetery and National Museum of the Marine Corps. Virginia Chapters on the Peninsula and Southside of Hampton Roads help with send-offs from Virginia Beach & Williamsburg and soliciting volunteers to train as guardians to assist a WWII veteran for the day. All MOAA chapters can help with soliciting participants for the twice-a-year event. Honor Flights are open to all WWII veterans who have not already visited the WWII memorial and are free of charge. Paramedics accompanies each flight. Virginia “flights” are via buses. A Richmond departure point is being added.

Honor Flight Historic Triangle Virginia info is at www.honorflighthtva.org or 1-877-424-VETS.

/ provided by VCOC Public Affairs Officer (PAO)

DVS Commissioner Honored By Central Virginia Chapter



Paul Galanti & CVC President, Carl Heubner, Col, Ret

The Central Virginia chapter held a dinner meeting in honor of Paul Galanti, CDR, USN, Ret, at the Glenmore Country Club in Keswick, June 25, 2010. Galanti provided candid insights of what life was like as a “guest” of the North Vietnamese for seven grueling years during the Vietnam War. As Virginia’s newly appointed Commissioner of the Department of Veterans Services (DVS), we know Paul will dedicate the same high level of service to veterans in our Commonwealth.

/story and photo provided by CVC MOAA Public Affair Officer, Kevin Lavin, Col, USAF, Ret

PUBLIC AFFAIRS at July Meeting of the VCOC

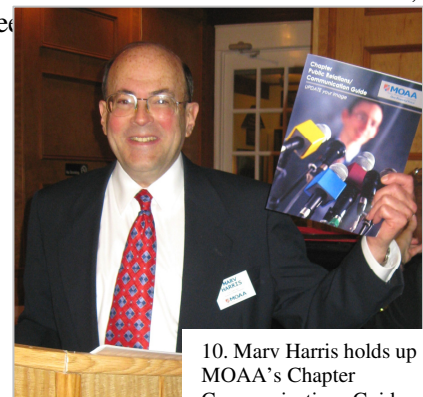
VCOC president, Col Sam Wilder, USA, Ret, invited MOAA’s Director of Public Relations, Col Marv Harris, USA, Ret, to lead an open discussion about **publishing in the media**. Wilder invited Virginia chapters to bring their person in charge of working with the media. Due to time constraints, VCOC Public Affairs Committee Chair, Maj Melva Mallison, USAF, Ret, provided a written report to all meeting attendees foregoing her usual 2nd VP verbal report. Ten lunched together, before Harris’ presentation. At lunch they went over part of Mallison’s report, received a list of Virginia chapter Public Affairs / Public Relations contacts (with mini-bios) and swapped stories and ideas. The VCOC Public Affairs Committee will continue operating primarily via email.



1. John Vermillion of Hampton Roads 2. Mike Weppner of Heritage Hunt
3. Paul Mehler of Mount Vernon 4. Louis Preysz of George C. Marshall
5. Carl Huebner of Central Virginia 6. Unidentified



7. Mike Patierno of Shenandoah Valley
8. Joe Tarantino of Richmond Area
9. Melva Mallison of Virginia Peninsula



10. Marv Harris holds up MOAA’s Chapter Communications Guide. He also provided a copy of slides from his News Media Training Course. His complete presentation is at VirginiaMOAA.com in Meetings, Section, July 2010 meeting..

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/ by VCOC Public Affairs Officer (PAO) & 2nd VP, Melva Mallison, Maj, USAF, Ret