

**Virginia Peninsula Chapter (VIPMOAA)
VCOC Quarterly Report
1 January – 31 March 2011**

I. Membership:

	<u>Regular</u>	<u>Auxiliary</u>	<u>Honorary</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>“GMT”</u>		
					<u>Free</u>	<u>Paid</u>	<u>Life</u>
As of 1 January:	293	95	0	388			
Gains:	6	0	0	6	12	0	0
Losses :	46	15	0	61			
As of 31 March :	253	80	0	333			

Chapter “teamed-up” with the Hampton Roads Chapter this past January to man a recruiting table at the 80th Reserve Training Brigade Conference in Virginia Beach. Turned out to be productive for both chapters!

II. Legislative Affairs:

Seven chapter members participated in the annual Council “Storming” event in Richmond on January 24, 2011. They successfully scheduled and met with ALL Delegates and Senators from the chapter’s geographic area – the first time in a number of years we’ve been that successful.

III. Public Affairs:

Submitted news releases and photos to local civilian papers *Daily Press & Gazette* (Williamsburg) as well as military papers *Peninsula Warrior* (covers Langley AFB & Ft Eustis) and *The Casemate* (Fort Monroe) including: VIPMOAA participation in storming Richmond; Historian John Quarstein's presentation at the February VIPMOAA Luncheon held at *the Chamberlin* at Fort Monroe (110 chapter members and guests attended); and routine notices before meetings, and coverage after meetings. So far, we can confirm that the *Williamsburg Gazette* published storming Richmond and the *Daily Press* (“Hampton Community” section) and the *PW* published about MOAA's Bud Schneeweis’ speaking at January meeting.

IV. Chapter Vitality & Levels of Excellence:

“Self-Evaluation”: Overall “score” of 65 for an “Outstanding” rating. Prime area of concern is, again, recruiting and retention.

“Level of Excellence”: Chapter was recognized as a “5 Star” chapter for the seventh consecutive year in 2010. Fully expect to garner that same recognition again in 2011!

V. Most Significant Chapter Event of the Quarter:

Over 75 people (including 12 MOAA non-chapter members who responded to a MOAA mailing) attended our January meeting which featured Capt Bud Schneeweis, USCG-Ret., Director of MOAA National’s Department of “Benefits Information and Financial Education Department” as the guest speaker. He installed the new chapter officers then discussed what looks like may or may not happen to military health care over the course of the next several years.

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