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44th NEW YORK STATE COUNCIL OF CHAPTERS CONVENTION, SEP 13-16 at LAKE GEORGE

TREAT YOURSELF TO A LATE SUMMER GET-AWAY! ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS AND SPOUSES/FAMILIES are cordially invited *and encouraged* to join MOAA members from our Chapter and across New York State at the 44th Annual Meeting of the New York State Council of Chapters at the **Fort William Henry Resort (FWH) and Convention Center**. The picturesque FWH Resort is located in the Village of Lake George at the southern tip of beautiful Lake George in the Adirondack Park. The resort is within walking distance of the village and the town boardwalk along the lake.



Get more information at: <http://www.fortwilliamhenry.com/> The Village of Lake George is off Exit 21 of the Adirondack Northway (I-87), just a couple of miles north on Route 9.

Reservations and an initial deposit of 50% are due by June 15. The pricing is listed on the Reservation Form on pages 4 & 5. THE PRICE INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

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THIS IS A GREAT DEAL, FOLKS!

SHOUT-OUT to **Rocco Acquilano**, rehabbing in Sunnyview from a back injury. Get well soon!

Ahoy mates! The date of our next meeting has changed from June 12 to SATURDAY, JUNE 11

CHAPTER HAPPENINGS

NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – SATURDAY JUNE 11, 1300 - 1600 hours at the Edison Club, Rexford, NY [The luncheon reservation form is on page 5.]



SSN-21 USS SEAWOLF

GUEST SPEAKER: Ray Misiewicz, MS Engineering (Mechanical/Nuclear). Ray designed and developed nuclear propulsion systems for the U.S. Navy over a 43 year career and worked locally at the Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory. Before retiring Ray was associated with the design of the nuclear reactors for the Seawolf and Virginia class nuclear attack submarines.

SUBJECT: "The Seawolves". The U.S. Navy has had four submarines named "Seawolf", spanning recent history from 1911, through both world wars, Korea, Vietnam, and the Cold War, to today's realities.

REMINDER #1: Please get your reservation and payment to **CHRIS COSTIGAN** NOT LATER THAN Wednesday morning **June 8**. The Edison Club needs a final count by the Wednesday before our meeting. If you plan to attend, even if you aren't 100% sure, please pay in anticipation. If for any reason you can't attend, we will refund your payment, no problem. Include 2016 chapter dues, if you have not yet paid.

REMINDER #2: We are still accepting soft-covered books, puzzle books, automatic pencils or markers, DVD's (with plastic cover), CD's, board games (with all pieces and directions in a box in good condition), playing cards, dice, small dictionaries, coloring books and crayons for **Books For Troops, Inc.** of southern Saratoga County.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Luncheons (Edison Club, Rexford): **OCT 16** (changed from Sep 18 to avoid the Convention) and Dec **11**

Chapter Board Meetings: **Aug 20** (Lake George)

CHAPTER NEWS

- At our **last meeting**, Steve Trimm, from the Ulysses S. Grant Cottage State Historic Site wowed us with his well-researched impersonation of President Grant's discussing his unusual friendship with former Confederate partisan, Mark Twain. As we listened with rapt attention, Chapter members were transported through our imaginations back in time to 1876.
- JROTC:** Our Chapter awarded MOAA medals and certificates to two area JROTC cadets. Congratulations to Cadet John Rento, Christian Bothers Academy, Albany, and Cadet Katrina Keyser, Amsterdam High School Marine Corps JROTC, for academic excellence and demonstrated leadership.

Hey! Our newsletter AND our Chapter web site (cdnymoaa.org) both earned **4-Star COL Marvin J. Harris Communications Awards** for excellence from MOAA.




NY LEGISLATION - MILITARY SPOUSES: Bills A4394 / S 2947-A

As reported in our September 2015 issue, the purpose of these bills is to provide for the expedited licensing of military spouses with out-of-state professional licenses in equivalent occupations. New York is the lone holdout of all 50 states to pass such legislation. The Senate bill is on the Finance Committee's agenda for May 24. The Assembly version has been advanced for a 3rd reading (# 656 on the agenda). *Please communicate with our State Assembly representatives and Senators to move these bills forward.*

August 24 is the deadline for submitting news articles, photos, bio's, and stories for the *next* issue. Please e-mail your input to newsletter editor Al Memole at amemole1@nycap.rr.com

KEEP THIS PAGE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

NYS COC 2016 CONVENTION - PLANNED SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	NOTES
Tuesday, Sep 13			
1400 – 1800 hrs.	Registration; Distribution of tickets and schedules	Lobby of the FWH Hotel	
1730 – 1830 hrs.	<i>Hospitality gathering</i>	<i>Hospitality room</i>	
1830 – 2000 hrs.	Barbecue Dinner (Casual dress)	White Lion Room	Guest speaker - ADM Walter Doran, MOAA Board member and future Director of the Board
2000 – 2200 hrs.	<i>Hospitality gathering</i>	<i>Hospitality room</i>	
Wednesday, Sep 14			
0730 – 0900 hrs.	Buffet Breakfast	White Lion Room	Resort casual
0900 – 1100 hrs.	<i>Open time</i>		
1100 – 1400 hrs.	Luncheon Cruise	Aboard the Lac du Saint Sacrement	Boarding from 1100-1130
1400 – 1700 hrs.	<i>Open time</i>		
1700 – 1800 hrs.	<i>Hospitality gathering</i>	<i>Hospitality room</i>	
1800 – 2200 hrs.	Dinner & Show (Business casual dress)	Lake George Dinner Theater, Holiday Inn	Departing at 1800 hrs.
Thursday, Sep 15			
0730 – 0900 hrs.	Buffet Breakfast	White Lion Room	Resort casual
0900 – 1200 hrs.	Convention Business Meeting ; COC Business and Reports	L.G. North Room in Convention Center (pending)	<i>wives & friends have free time to explore</i>
1200 – 1400 hrs.	<i>Lunch on your own</i>		
1400 – 1500 hrs.	Tour of Fort William Henry	Guess where ☺	
1500 – 1800 hrs.	<i>Open time</i>		
1800 – 1900 hrs.	<i>Hospitality gathering</i>	<i>Hospitality room</i>	
1900 – 2130 hrs.	NYS COC Officer Installation Banquet (Semi-formal dress or uniform)	White Lion Room	Guest speaker COL Barry Wright, Director of Councils and Chapters for MOAA
2130 – ? hrs.	<i>Hospitality gathering</i>	<i>Hospitality room</i>	
Friday, Sep 16			
0730 – 0930 hrs.	Farewell Buffet Breakfast	White Lion Room	
Not later than <u>1100</u> hrs.	Room Checkout and good-byes		



If you wish to come early or stay after the convention, you must make your own arrangements with the hotel. The hotel will honor the room rate on a space-A basis.

NYS COC 2016 CONVENTION – RESERVATIONS & PAYMENT SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE: FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED FOR LAKE-VIEW ROOMS

First payment (deposit) due by June 15; Deposit = 50% of the total cost.

Refer to the Convention Pricing Calculator on the Convention Reservation Form, page 5, for room pricing.



Final payment of the balance due NLT July 31

Make checks payable to: *CDC - MOAA 2016 Convention*

Mail the Reservation Form, your meal selections, and your check to:

*CW4 Frederick Ames, MOAA Convention 2009
14 Reed Lane
Clifton Park, NY 12065
Email: frames200@aol.com*



To help reduce overall expenses, please bring your chapter name tag.

NYS COC 2016 CONVENTION – FOR OVERALL QUESTIONS ABOUT THE EVENT

Contact:

Ed Scheiber at: edmundscheiber@gmail.com, or 518-668-5566

or

Skip Bebernitz at: ebeberni@nycap.rr.com, or 518-237-4738



NYS COC 2016 CONVENTION – DRESS RECOMMENDATIONS

Breakfast, Lunch, Barbecue on Tuesday evening, Dinner Theater on Wednesday evening: **Resort casual**

Banquet on Thursday evening: **Dinner dress/service uniform/dark suit; Ladies (as appropriate)**

PLEASE RETURN THIS ENTIRE FORM WITH YOUR DEPOSIT

NYS COC 2016 ANNUAL CONVENTION RESERVATION FORM

Name:		
Rank:	Service:	
Chapter &/or Council Position (if applicable):		
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	ZIP:
Home Phone:	Cell:	
Email:		
Name(s) of other person(s) who will be staying in your room:		
<p>Please describe any special accommodation considerations? (Examples: handicap access, bed type or number, dietary needs, etc.) There is no guarantee on bed type however.</p>		
<p>Choose one: <input type="checkbox"/> I would like a room with a view of the Lake; <input type="checkbox"/> I have no room preference</p>		

CONVENTION PRICING CALCULATOR

(A) Room Choices	(B) Number of couples and/or singles	(C) Price per couple or person*	(D) EXTENDED PRICE = (B) x (C)	(E) DEPOSIT= (D) x .5 (50%)	(F) \$ AMOUNT ENCLOSED
Couple in a room		\$873.00			
Single in a room		\$645.00			
				TOTAL	

* These prices are for a standard air conditioned, no smoking room for three (3) nights.

PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MEAL SELECTIONS

THE TOTAL ROOM PRICE IN THE PREVIOUS TABLE INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

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CONVENTION MEAL SELECTIONS

Total number of people included in your reservation, including yourself = _____

For each event in the table below, please mark your choices by writing in the Quantity column the number of people in your party who want that meal option.

If you are filling out this reservation form for more people than just yourself (for example, you and your spouse), please make sure that you mark the correct number of choices per event.

Please – only one option per person per event – even if you think you could eat two!

MEAL OPTIONS	QUANTITY
Lake George Dinner Theater (Wed. Sep 14)	
Medallions of Beef	
Broiled Salmon	
Vegetarian Pasta	
Banquet Dinner (Thu. Sep 15)	
Chicken Picatta	
Baked Salmon	
Prime Rib	

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT

It is my sincerest hope that this issue of the Newsletter finds you and your family well!

The well-being of both MOAA National and this Chapter is proportional to the total number of members. We are a healthy Chapter, but there is definitely room for improvement.

We recently received a list from MOAA with hundreds of members who do not belong to our Chapter. There is a high level of probability that most do not know that we exist. Chances are also great that officers with whom you served or took a course are members of your civic, veterans, or church group, and members of MOAA National.

Why should they join our Chapter? Our dues are reasonable at \$15.00/year: Members will receive six issues of a great newsletter, and an invitation to enjoy camaraderie, luncheons with interesting speakers, fun upcoming events, and an opportunity to be very active in legislative affairs that affect military members, those currently serving and veterans, and their families.

The Chapter has recently established recruiting incentives for current members. If you bring in **2** new members in a calendar year, you receive a free meal at a luncheon meeting; bring in a **3rd** new member and also get a free year's membership in the Chapter.

Please take a look around you and invite any officer that you know to join. Or, better: Ask them to come to our June meeting and find out who we are. See you at the June meeting!

Skip Beberwitz 

[Editor's Note: The August issue of this newsletter will include a copy of the Chapter Membership application form. The form is always available to download and print from our Chapter web site.]

Luncheon Reservation Form

Date: **June 11, 2016**

Location: **Edison Club, Rexford, NY**

Time: 1:00PM - Social Hour
2:00PM – Dinner

Menu Choices: *FLAT IRON STEAK* *CHICKEN ALEXANDER* *PECAN-ENCRUSTED SALMON*

Price: **\$30.00** per person (Please make checks payable to: NYS-CDC.)

To pay Chapter dues for 2016, please add \$15.00 to your total.

Send reservation form and check to: **Chris Costigan** (phone: 518-884-2943)
153 Paisley Road
Ballston Spa, NY 12020-2109

Please make your reservation Not Later Than Wednesday, June 8.

Your name: _____

Choices:

Number of persons attending: _____

<u>Qty</u>	<u>Menu Item</u>
_____	Flat Iron Steak
_____	Chicken Alexander
_____	Pecan-Encrusted Salmon

December 17: Wreaths Across America™ at the Gerald Solomon National Cemetery, Schuylerville

September 13 – 16: 44th NEW YORK STATE MOA COUNCIL OF CHAPTERS CONVENTION
– Fort William Henry & Conference Center, Lake George, NY

September 3-4: Thunderbirds airshow in New Windsor, CT

June 11-12: Blue Angels airshow in Syracuse

May 28 (Saturday of Memorial Day weekend): Flag placement at the Gerald B. Solomon National Cemetery. Volunteers needed. The ceremony starts at 8:00 am; plenty of parking (parking areas on the grass); Flag removal is the following Tuesday, May 31.

UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

The NYS Capital District Chapter and the Military Officers Association of America are non-partisan member organizations that honor, assist, and advocate for all who serve and have served honorably in the uniformed services of the United States of America.



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