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HIGHLIGHTED CHARITY for this issue → STRIDE WOUNDED WARRIOR SNOWFEST



STRIDE is a local organization whose primary focus is to give hope to disabled children through guided participation in sports and other physical activities. Their program helps these children to build confidence, character, physical ability, and sense of accomplishment. STRIDE also reaches out to veterans who were wounded, badly injured, or physically or mentally disabled. They invite these veterans to try adaptive sports and join STRIDE's Warrior community to serve in other sport programs throughout the year as mentors or volunteers to youth with similar disabilities – healing through giving!

Each March, STRIDE invites up to ten Post 09/11 disabled veterans, new to STRIDE, for the annual **Wounded Warrior Snowfest**, an introduction to adaptive sports. The invitees are treated to a long weekend vacation of skiing, riding, and adaptive winter activities at Jiminy Peak Mountain Resort, with their families and Snowfest alumni veterans who serve as mentors. Before being transported to Jiminy Peak for the weekend, the veterans are honored on Friday night with a small catered celebration dinner.

Prior to COVID, STRIDE used to host a huge welcome banquet for the wounded warriors. The banquet was open to the public and attended by local military and government dignitaries. It served also as a major fundraiser for the Snowfest. STRIDE has since shifted to the small, private welcome format in order to control costs. But the Snowfest costs a lot of money, and *STRIDE depends on community support to make it happen.*

Our Chapter and individual Chapter members have been regular supporters, exemplified by the thank-you letter (*at right*) we received for our recent donation. For more information on STRIDE programs that help veterans, visit their website:

<https://www.stride.org/wounded-warriors/>

December 21, 2023

Patrick Piccirilli, LTC, USAR (Ret)
Chapter Treasurer
MOAA NYS Capital District Chapter
PO Box 373
Waterford, NY 12188-0373

Thank you for supporting *STRIDE's 2024 Wounded Warrior Snowfest*. Your donation of **\$400.00** will help fund a successful weekend of skiing and snowboarding and equally important bonding with other Veterans and their families.

STRIDE's approach to helping veterans heal has been successful because it recognizes they have long-term needs that *cannot* be met with one-time events. They need our year-round support, and we need yours to continue providing it to them.

In the summer, veterans spend the weekend at our SCORE camp in Chatham, NY, mentoring and teaching valuable outdoor skills to children with similar disabilities. Past experience has shown this is truly a life-changing experience for both the Warriors and the children.

Thank you for your assistance in helping STRIDE honor those who have given so much to our Country.

Regards,

Christine Golden

Christine Golden
Development Director

CHAPTER HAPPENINGS

OUR NEXT CHAPTER LUNCHEON MEETING IS FEBRUARY 11, at EMMA JAYNES 1475 US 9, Clifton Park, NY 12065

A different venue - We're meeting in the alcove at the rear of the main dining room.

GUEST SPEAKER: Another treat for us American History buffs! We welcome back **Jeannette Folger**, who will give a multimedia slideshow presentation on "**African American Soldiers of the American Revolution**" in honor of Black History Month.

DRESS CODE: **Casual** – but, please, no torn jeans or sweatshirts

PROGRAM:

1300 hrs: Check-in; Pay for your meal (and 2024 dues if applicable); Buy your 50/50 tickets; Pay-as-you-go bar; Mix & mingle

1345 hrs: Welcoming remarks; Pledge of Allegiance; Prayer for Service Members

1400 hrs: Lunch served

1430 hrs: Guest Speaker Presentation

1530 hrs: Announcements; 50/50 drawing; Farewell

FARE: A lunch that features:

A choice of one entree, with vegetables and/or potatoes depending on entrée:

- Braised Beef Short Ribs in a Puffed Pastry Shell
- Chicken Parmesan
- Chicken and Sausage a La Vodka
- Pecan Crusted Salmon
- Pork Tenderloin

A choice of one dessert:

- Lemon Cake *or* Peanut Butter Pie

Coffee, tea, soft drinks, and alcoholic beverages are **not** included. *Cash bar available for adult beverages.*

COST: **\$40 per person**

RESERVATIONS: Please call or email **CHRIS COSTIGAN** by **Thursday, FEBRUARY 8th**, to confirm your attendance, because we owe the restaurant a final count of guests in advance. If you prefer, you may mail the luncheon reservation form found at the [very end](#) of this newsletter along with your payment (check) to Chris but **he must receive it by the due date above.**

(Images above taken from Microsoft ClipArt)



Chapter Meetings For 2024 – Updated

MEETING DATE & TYPE	MEETING LOCATION, NOTES
FEB 11 , Luncheon Meeting	Emma Jaynes , Clifton Park – <i>Guest Speaker: historian Jeannette Folger – “African American Soldiers of the American Revolution”</i>
<i>MAR 23, Board of Directors Meeting</i>	TBD
APR 7 , Luncheon Meeting	TBD
JUN 9 , Luncheon Meeting	<i>Guest Speaker: COL Alain Fisher, Commander US Army Watervliet Arsenal</i>
<i>AUG xx, Board of Directors Meeting</i>	TBD
OCT 6 , Luncheon Meeting	<i>Guest Speaker: [tentative] Capt Jon Guagenti, NYANG, Transport and evacuation missions in the withdrawal from Afghanistan in 2021</i>
<i>NOV 16, Board of Directors Meeting</i>	TBD
DEC 8 , Holiday Party-Annual Business Mtg	TBD

Chapter Dues For 2024 – A Gentle Reminder and a Thank-you

Annual Chapter dues for 2024 were due on January 1. Annual dues are **\$30**. If you have not yet paid dues for 2024, you will receive a notice from our Chapter Treasurer to pay by March 31, after which you will have 60 days to make payment. You have three payment options:

1. **ONLINE**. Pay online by credit or debit card through the MOAA website. See instructions for paying online here: <https://chapterdues.moaa.org/Membership.aspx>
2. **MAIL**. Send a personal check made out to NYS CDC MOAA to our post office box at NYS CDC MOAA, PO Box 373, Waterford, NY 12188-0373, or mail it with your February luncheon reservation added to the luncheon payment.
3. **IN PERSON**. Pay by check or cash at the door when you attend our February meeting.

FYI – You can find all this information on our Chapter website: https://cdnymoaa.org/?page_id=1076

The Board of Directors has the discretion to drop non-paying members from the rolls. We really don't want to remove anyone from our Chapter's membership, but all regular members share the same obligation to support the Chapter, and it's unfair for some to pay annually and others not. Dues payments cover our operating expenses and also allow the Chapter to fulfill its mission to help service members, veterans, and military-related entities that promote patriotism and pride in our country.

*Examples of the impact our donations are making are shown by the thank-you letters on **pages 12-15** received recently from local veterans and military-related organizations that we help every year.*

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Remember also that paying dues also lets the Chapter know that you are alive and well and still interested in being a part of our Chapter. We understand if you find it difficult to make our meetings. But if you can't always join us in person, please join us in spirit and support our mission by paying dues.

Thank you to the members listed below who have already paid their dues for this year:

Ed Balaban	Anthony Ficara
Skip Bebernitz	Ralph Folger
Emanuel Biondi	Kathy Gates
Harold Brockman	Laurie Gates
Myles Caggins III	Al Memole
Stephen Cipperly	Joseph Peck
Ray Clark	Patrick Piccirilli
Chris Costigan	Sean Piccirilli
David Erickson	Merle Schreckengost

Chapter News and other local items of interest

- **WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA™ (WAA) - UPDATE**
(Skip Bebernitz and Al Memole; images by Al Memole)

The greater community of the NY Capital Region came through with a wreath for every veteran gravesite at the Gerald H. B. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery, roughly 16,000 in all, and a couple thousand extra that will be applied toward the 2024 goal! **Our Chapter sponsored a record 170 wreaths!** We set a modest annual goal of 100; last year we sponsored 129. A total of \$850 is returned to our Chapter, which will enable us to give back more to our community!

Our top two donors were the **W F Bruen Hose Co., Inc.**, of Clinton Heights, NY (20) – thanks to new Fire Commissioner and Chapter member Vince Memole, and **Chapter VP Kathy Gates** (17)! Honorable mention with 10 wreaths each: 210 Armor Association (Thanks, Skip!), Callanan Industries Inc. (Thanks, Skip!), Stephen Retzlaff, Winifred Maloney, and Chapter members *Christopher Costigan* and *Sean Piccirilli*! A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO DONATED WREATHS THROUGH OUR CHAPTER:

210 Armor Association	Kathleen Buxton	Raymond J. Clark, COL(R), USA
Anthony J. Ficara, D.D.S.	Kathy Gates	Robin LaBrake
Callanan Industries Inc.	Laura Gilroy	Sean Piccirilli
Christopher Costigan	Laurie Gates	Stephen Retzlaff
Edmund Scheiber	Lisa Evans	Susan Gates
Edward Balaban	Lisa Szozda	Valerie H Prescott
Elizabeth Hobart	Mark K. Levanway & Sharon P. Levanway	Vincent A. Memole Jr.
Elizabeth Martin	Mary and Alfred Memole	W F Bruen Hose Co. Inc.
Elizabeth Stevens	Pamela Hulseapple	Winifred Maloney
Ernest H Bebernitz	Patrick Piccirilli	
June Foltz	Ralph Folger	

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Wreath laying took place at the Saratoga National Cemetery on 16 December. Chapter members Al Memole and Pat Piccirilli were present. Pat, “wearing his *other* hat”, was helping out at the Association of the US Army (AUSA) booth; Al helped place wreaths in Section 7. Wreath pick up is scheduled for 9:00 am, Saturday, March 2, 2024. Please bring a long-handled broomstick or pole to help expedite the process

Below left: Volunteers of all ages at Sect. 7 wait for the signal to start placing wreaths; below right: Decorated graves at Sect. 7,



- **LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT**

(Submitted by Pat Piccirilli, Legislative Affairs Committee)

Although the FY 2024 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) became law just a few weeks ago, we’re already approaching a critical deadline for the FY 2025 version ... and early action will set MOAA up for success with some of our key legislative priorities.

The annual NDAA includes protections for the pay, benefits, and quality of life of servicemembers and their families, retirees, and surviving spouses. Each year, normally in February, congressional staffers submit their formal written requests for the NDAA. This important early deadline is often the only chance for lawmakers who are not on the Armed Services committees to officially request NDAA provisions that support their constituents. In our catchment area (Congressional Districts 19, 20 and 21) only Congresswoman Stefanik is a member of the House Armed Services committee, while Senator Kirsten Gillibrand is a member of the Senate Armed Services committee.

The more these lawmakers hear from their constituents, in addition to MOAA’s advocacy team, the greater the chance they will push for inclusion of our key priorities in their official NDAA request. Find details on each of these advocacy campaigns below and via [MOAA’s Legislative Action Center](#):

- **The Major Richard Star Act:** Over two-thirds of Congress has supported this legislation that would provide concurrent receipt for combat-injured servicemembers. It is part of MOAA’s incremental strategy to achieve concurrent receipt for all, and it is supported across our community of veterans service organizations. [Ask lawmakers to include H.R. 1282/S. 344 in their official FY 2025 NDAA request.](#)
- **BAH Restoration Act:** Servicemembers and young military families across the country are facing financial strain, and housing costs play a big role. [Ask your elected officials to restore the Basic Allowance for Housing \(BAH\) with H.R. 2537/S. 1823 in their NDAA request.](#)

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- **Arlington National Cemetery (ANC):** The bipartisan Expanding America's National Cemetery Act, H.R. 1413, ensures the nation keeps its sacred promise to veterans and their families. ANC eventually will run out of space, and proposed eligibility reductions will end the benefit some veterans and their families have planned on for years. H.R. 1413 will provide a long-term solution to designate the "next ANC" rather than reduce the benefit. [Congress must act through the NDAA.](#)
- **Respect for Grieving Military Families Act:** When a retired servicemember dies, the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) recoups the last month of their retirement pay. This action adds terrible financial stress to a grieving spouse. H.R. 3232/S. 1588 would stop recoupment (as well as associated overdraft fees or debt) and prevent the financial shock experienced by many surviving spouses. [It should be a part of the must-pass defense bill.](#)
- **Military Spouse Hiring Act:** Supporting military spouses is critical to sustaining the all-volunteer force. H.R. 1277/S. 596 would authorize the Work Opportunity Tax Credit to incentivize employers to hire military spouses who struggle to maintain employment due to frequent PCS moves. [Ask your elected officials to ensure its inclusion in the NDAA.](#)
- **TRICARE Young Adult:** H.R. 1045/S. 956, the Health Care Fairness for Military Families Act, will help ensure military kids transitioning to adulthood have the same health care protections as their peers in civilian families. This bill brings TRICARE in line with commercial plan requirements for young adult coverage that have existed for more than a decade by eliminating monthly premiums for TRICARE Young Adult coverage. [Ask your lawmakers to use the NDAA to close this coverage gap.](#)

As you know we encourage all our members in pretty much every newsletter to use the **Legislative Action Center** when contacting their legislator regarding military related issues. A recent Military Officer magazine devoted over $\frac{3}{4}$ of a page to the issue of growing our advocacy base, in addition to a full page explaining why it is so important to increase the number of members participating in advocacy actions. It was made clear that the current membership of 360,000 MOAA members have only yielded 20,000 members who have signed up for the Legislative Action Center. The best carriers of the message dealing with military benefits are veterans or those who have served alongside veterans. We are a small chapter but I am confident that we can contribute greatly despite our size.

Note: *The Legislative Action Center* website is: www.moaa.org/takeaction. Or if you prefer, you can call MOAA's Capitol Hotline at 866 272-MOAA (6622), a toll-free line to the U.S. Capitol switchboard to connect directly with lawmakers. Ask to speak with the military legislative assistant or legislative director. If neither staff is available, ask to schedule a follow-up call when they are available.

One other resource for keeping up to date with legislation and happenings on Capitol Hill is www.moaa.org/advocacy-news.

MOAA is NOT an organization of officers concerned *only* about officers. We are an organization of officers dedicated to protecting the earned benefits and welfare of all ranks in all of the uniformed services.

• **OUR ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING & CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY PARTY, DECEMBER 10 at BELLINI'S IN LATHAM**

We returned to “the garage” at Bellini’s to celebrate Christmas and Hanukah and hold our annual business meeting. We had **19** members and guests in attendance – an improvement! Skip had arranged with our designated charity for November-December, **Toys For Tots**, to leave a box at the restaurant, and we filled the box to the brim with toys! *Thanks to all to donated gifts!*

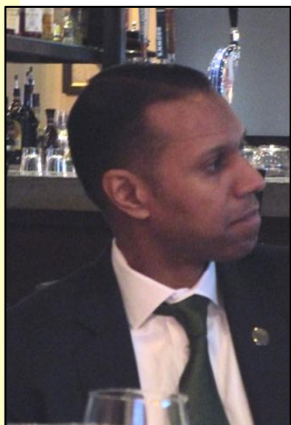
We kept the business part of our meeting brief, covering the status of our membership, finances, donations, and activities, and announcing our dues (\$30) for 2024. Food was great, and the camaraderie and conversation even better. It was wonderful to see many of our regular attendees, the loyal core, and delightful to welcome our newest members **Laurie Gates** (Kathy Gate’s sister and former Navy nurse – so Chris Costigan won’t feel like the odd one out), and **Myles Caggins** up from the Big Apple! Also great to see **Dave Erickson** and his wife, Elfi, who haven’t been able to attend many meetings due to other commitments: Dave is the Senior Army Advisor for the JROTC program at Albany High School! To say he is busy would be an understatement. There was a lot of networking and exchange of ideas going on, especially between Myles and Dave! That’s another benefit of attending Chapter meetings. We hope to have increasing turnout for future meetings.

There are many ways to support Toys for Tots. The most familiar are donations of toys or money, but from the time their campaign starts in October until Christmas they need our help as volunteer workers.

There are blanket making parties (no sewing involved), usually at the Clifton Park Ambulance Station at various days of the week and times of day. They need help at the warehouse sorting toys from drop boxes into gender- and age-specific boxes and then into labeled garbage bags of 10 toys each, also at various days and times.

There is a link on their website to the sign-up page (<https://albany-ny.toysfortots.org/local-coordinator-sites/lco-sites/local-get-involved.aspx>) that lists the dates and times that are available along with the number of volunteers that are needed per event. There are morning, afternoon, and early evening shifts on week days and weekends. [Courtesy of Skip Bebernitz]

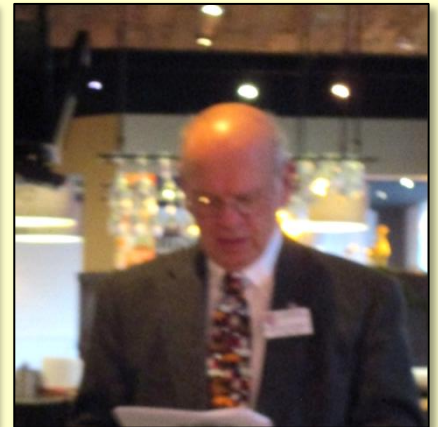
If you know former, retired, or still-serving military officers who aren’t yet MOAA members, or aren’t Chapter members, please invite them to join us and hand them a membership application (or send them the link): [Joint MOAA-Chapter Membership Application](#)



At Bellini’s on Dec 10, above left: COL Myles Caggins; Center: the Ericksons with Rocco, Pat, Laurie & Kathy Gates, and Skip in the background; Right: Rocco Acquilano; (Photos by Ralph Folger)

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At Bellini's on Dec 10, center right: Lively conversations before the meal – Mary Lou and Vicki (foreground), Skip (#12) and Tony, Mary Memole, Mary Louise & Chris Costigan (checking attendance); far right: Pat Piccirilli gives the annual Treasurer's report. (Photos by Ralph Folger)



R. I. P.

Sadly, we recently lost another dear friend and long-time Chapter member, **Charles W. Marshall, CWO4 USNR Retired** (88), who passed away on December 4. Solemn services were held on December 8 at New Comer Cremations & Funerals, Watervliet. Chuck Marshall was a regular and enthusiastic participant in Chapter activities. He served as Chapter Treasurer and Board Member. Chuck's wife, Nancy had passed away in March 2023. They were a beautiful couple, full of life and energy, now united forever. You can read Chuck's obituary here:

<https://www.newcomeralbany.com/Obituary/271189/Charles-Marshall/Albany-NY>

We also learned recently of the death of another Chapter member out-of-state last April: **Dana Berntson, MAJ USA Retired** (93), died on April 20 in East Lansing, Michigan, surrounded by his family. You can read Dana's obituary here:

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/dailygazette/name/dana-berntson-obituary?id=51872410>

Both of our deceased Chapter members were laid to rest at the Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery in Schuylerville, and are remembered on our Chapter website under TAPS,

https://cdnymoaa.org/?page_id=686

● **WEST POINT BAND WINTER SCHEDULE (also linked from our website)**

Saturday, February 10, 3:00 p.m.
Academy Wind Quintet Chamber Recital
Pound Ridge Library, Pound Ridge, NY

Saturday, February 17, 2:00 p.m.*
"The Long Gray Line"
Eisenhower Hall Theatre, West Point, NY
*Inclement date: February 18

Tuesday, February 27, 1:45 p.m.
American Choral Conductors Association Performance
St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, NY

Friday, March 1, 12:00 p.m.
American Choral Conductors Association Performance
Grace Episcopal Church, Providence, RI

Saturday, March 9, 2:00 p.m.*
West Point Band & Westchester Symphonic Winds
Eisenhower Hall Theatre, West Point, NY
*Inclement date: March 10

Saturday, March 16, 2:00 p.m.*
West Point Band & Westchester Symphonic Winds
White Plains High School, White Plains, NY
*Inclement date: March 17

Sunday, April 7, 2:00 p.m.
Eisenhower Hall Ballroom, West Point, NY

Saturday, April 13, 3:00 p.m.
"The Long Gray Line"
North Salem High School, North Salem, NY

- **FEBRUARY FUNDRAISER FOR “OPERATION ADOPT A SOLDIER”**



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Advance Tickets-- \$40.00 per person over 16 yrs. old
OR
\$50.00 at the door.....

There is limited seating so hurry and get your tickets ASAP!!!

For Tickets call
Cliff at 518-260-9922---Mike at 518-322-5521

OAAS celebrated their 20th Anniversary in 2023 and, since their inception, have sent out over 350,000 care packages to deployed Servicemembers (all branches) around the world. In 2023 alone, OAAS sent 6,200+ care packages with the cost of postage alone over \$92,000.

Also, if you know of any deployed Servicemember that would like to get on the Operation Adopt A Soldier mailing list, just have them go to www.operationadoptsoldier.org and register.

• **MARCH 18 – TECHNOLOGY DEVICE HELP FOR SENIOR VETERANS**

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Date: Monday, March 18th, 2024
Time: 10:30AM – 11:30AM
Place: 99 Troy Road, Suite 203
East Greenbush, NY 12061

Check out CCE Events:
<https://rensselaer.cce.cornell.edu/events>

March 12th is the deadline for submitting **news articles, photos, bio's, stories, or reviews of books, movies, food, or drinks** for the *next* issue! Please e-mail your input to newsletter editor Al Memole at ammemole@gmail.com.

- **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & THANKS FOR OUR CHAPTER'S SUPPORT**



VETERANS MIRACLE CENTER

Dear Friends -

Thank you so much for the donation to the Veterans Miracle Center. The demand has increased this year so every donation makes a huge difference.

Thank again - God Bless

Melody



THE FRIENDS OF THE NEW YORK STATE MILITARY MUSEUM

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November 29, 2023

New York State Capital District Chapter Inc.
Military Officers Association of America
P.O. Box 373
Waterford, NY 12188-0373

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Friends of The New York State Military Museum gratefully acknowledge your very generous donation of \$100.00 on November 16, 2023 .

Support from donors like you is vital in enabling the museum to pursue its mission.

As the designated nonprofit organization to assist the Museum, The Friends group is a partner in promoting New York State's rich military history.

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- Maintenance of the collections
- Accession of artifacts and archival materials
- The Library and Veterans Research Center
- Historic flag conservation
- Public educational programs

With sincere thanks,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Roy McDonald". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Roy McDonald
President
The Friends of The NYS Military Museum

The Friends of The New York State Military Museum is a nonprofit organization as defined by IRS Code 501(c)(3). Donations and contributions are tax deductible as the law allows. Please retain this letter as your receipt.

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Capital District Women Veterans, Inc.
 93 Southbury Road
 Clifton Park NY 12065
 www.cdww.org

Dec 8 2023

Dear, NYS Capital District Chapter NOAA

Thank you for your donation to the Capital District Women Veterans Program, Inc. ^{\$} 100.00

With gratitude,

Christine Rem

Christine Rem, COL(R), RN, DNS
 Executive Director

* Capital District Women Veterans Program, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation under NYS Charities Law and is a designated 501 (C)(3) charitable organization under IRS Code. CDWV provided no goods or services for this contribution. For your records, CDWV EIN is: 27-4273594 *

Dear nys Capital District Chapter NOAA

Thank you so very much for your kind + generous donation!

It is so appreciated + so needed!!

Thank you Again

Chris Rem



December 20, 2023

NYS Capital District Chapter MOAA
PO Box 373
Waterford, NY 12188

Dear NYS Capital District Chapter MOAA,

On behalf of the Veterans that we serve, thank you for your very generous donation of \$100.00 for our Veterans.

We believe the words homeless, and Veteran should never be used in the same sentence. Our mission is to ensure that all Veterans have safe, decent, affordable housing. We provide support services, advocacy, financial assistance, and transitional and permanent housing to help our Veterans achieve that goal.

VCHC is a registered 501(c)3 charitable organization and as such your donation is tax deductible as the laws allow.

We know there are so many great causes that need support. Thank you for choosing VCHC.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michelle VS".

Michelle Viola-Straight
Executive Director

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* Immediate Past-President ** Former President

LUNCHEON RESERVATION INFORMATION

Date: **FEBRUARY 11, 2023**

Location: **EMMA JAYNES, Route 9
Clifton Park, NY**

Time: **1:00 PM** – Check-in; Social Mixer // 1:30 – 3:45 PM – Dinner & Guest Speaker

Price: **\$40 per person** (Please make checks payable to: **NYS CDC MOAA.**)

You may pay Chapter dues for **2024** by adding **\$30** to your total.

Please make your reservation **Not Later Than Thursday, February 8th**

Send reservation form and check to: **Chris Costigan**

153 Paisley Road
Ballston Spa, NY 12020

OR e-mail Chris at costigan4@hughes.net **OR** call him at: 518- 884-2943 (h) or 518-755-5697 (c)

**Mail-In Luncheon Reservation Form**

Your name: _____

Number of persons attending: _____