

MOAA Pittsburgh - A Five Star Chapter Chartered on Veterans Day, 11 November 1965 Our Mission: Never Stop Serving

## **July 2024 UPDATE**

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## **Chapter Dues are due...**

For our chapter to be able to obtain most grants from MOAA National and to help continue our luncheons and events, it is necessary for our chapter to acquire chapter insurance.

Please pay your 2024 dues by August 1, 2024, so we may acquire a final count for our application.

Dues for the remaining of the year 2024 are \$12.00. Dues will increase in 2025 to \$20.00. If you would like to pay for more than one year, your payment will be accepted at \$12.00 per year until the end of this year, and you will be on the books for the number of years that you paid. We have several members who are already paid through 2025. So far twenty-five members have paid their Pittsburgh Chapter Dues for 2024.

To pay your dues by check, mail your check to our Treasurer Marcel Minutolo at:

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To pay your dues on-line, go to the link below:

Home page - ChapterDues (moaa.org)

### **SELECT-**

- 1. Renew
- 2. Pennsylvania
- 3. MOAA Pittsburgh Chapter

The remaining steps are self-explanatory.

We have an organization that has been around for many years and needs to continue with the mission of assisting, supporting and lobbying for veterans.

Please help us continue by paying your chapter dues.

**Chapter Dues**.

## **MOAA Pittsburgh's Facebook Page**

MOAA Pittsburgh has a Facebook Page! To access the page, <u>CLICK HERE</u>. This is a great link to share with prospective Chapter members and to keep up-to-date on news in between meetings and newsletters.

# Our Event Team volunteered and partnered with the Southwestern Veteran's Center, Pittsburgh to conduct a Community Event.

On June 29, 2024, MOAA Pittsburgh Chapter Members volunteered for a veteran's game day event at the Southwestern Veterans Center in Pittsburgh at 7060 Highland Dr, Pittsburgh, 15206. Our chapter provided snacks and gifts to the winning veterans.

### MOAA Pittsburgh Volunteer Members and Affiliates Pictured below (left to right)

President Jon P. Comis, Joan Bellisario, Angela Bellisario Danison, Dotty DiGiacomo, Past President Carmen DiGiacomo, Surviving Spouse Pat Seda-Rivera, Past President Peter Bellisario





## MOAA Pittsburgh's Chapter Website being constructed.

As voted on by the members during the June meeting, a chapter website is being constructed. Our VP Dan Kysela has the lead on this project and is projecting it soon. This new web site will allow us to receive exterior donations and pay dues either by linking directly to the National MOAA Website or through an accessible pay link (ex. PenPal) on the website. There will be much information passed through this website and recruiting new members should be accomplished with less effort.

## **SEPTEMBER 2024 Luncheon**

The next Luncheon for the MOAA Pittsburgh Chapter will be held on Sunday, 8 September 2024, at Chartiers Country Club, 601 Baldwin Road, Pittsburgh, 15205. The menu selection will be available several weeks before the luncheon. Happy Hour begins at 1 PM (1300 hours) with a cash bar and lunch will start to be served promptly at 2 PM (1400 hours). Valet parking is available.

Our scheduled speaker U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Unit Pittsburgh

Please note the price has increased to \$35 per person.

Meal Reservations are due to Pat Seda-Rivera (412-724-5070) no later than Thursday, 5 September 2024.

Payment can be made by mail to our Treasurer Marcel, on-line or at the door.

Marcel Minutolo 1442 Barnsdale Street Pittsburgh, PA 15217-1308

To pay for your Luncheon Meal on-line, go to the link below: Home page - ChapterDues (moaa.org)

## **SELECT-**

- 1. Donate Only
- 2. Pennsylvania
- 3. MOAA Pittsburgh Chapter

## **MOAA Pittsburgh's Chapter Memory Lane**



Our chapter was known by two other names before Pittsburgh MOAA. We were originally chartered as the **Steel City Retired Officers Club**, and then **The Retired Officer's Association (TROA)**.

In the above 1989 photo, LTC H.W. Areheart and LTC Marion E. Jones pose with a plaque displaying pride in the chapter name. Both served as Chapter President back in the day, when MOAA was known as our organization's second name (TROA).

## Future 2024 Planned Luncheons at Chartiers Country Club 8 September 2024

Holiday Party 8 December 2024, the first Sunday after Thanksgiving Weekend

Additional Social and Community Service Activities will be added as they are planned. Ideas/suggestions welcome.

Volunteers welcome.

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