

MARCH 8, 2018



DEAR MOAA FAMILY,

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS ON MARCH 11TH AND WINTER OFFICIALLY ENDS ON THE 20TH. FOR CERTAIN, LONGER AND WARMER DAYS, PROVIDE AMPLE OPPORTUNITY FOR MOAA MEMBERS TO “SPRING” INTO FRESH ACTIVITIES. THANK YOU FOR EACH ACTION YOU TAKE THAT BENEFITS OUR ORGANIZATION AND OUR COMMUNITY. YOU ARE AN EXAMPLE OF OUR MOTTO “MILITARY OFFICER: NEVER STOP SERVING.”

THE CITY OF WICHITA SEEKS PUBLIC OPINION IN ITS REDEVELOPMENT PLAN, “WICHITA: PLACES FOR PEOPLE.” THE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOCUSES ON THE CITY’S CENTRAL AREA—RUNNING EAST TO WEST FROM ROCK ROAD TO RIDGE ROAD; AND NORTH TO SOUTH FROM 29TH STREET NORTH TO 31ST STREET SOUTH. THE FIRST MEETING TOOK PLACE ON TUESDAY, MARCH 6. ADDITIONAL MEETINGS ARE PLANNED FOR APRIL AND JUNE. PLEASE VISIT WICHITAPLACESFORPEOPLE.COM FOR COMPLETE DETAILS. CURRENTLY, YOUR INPUT CAN BE SUBMITTED VIA A SURVEY THAT IS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE.

“TEAR-OUT LETTERS” TO BE SIGNED AND MAILED TO U.S. CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS ARE INCLUDED IN THE MARCH ISSUE OF MILITARY OFFICER. PLEASE FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE IMPORTANT ISSUES, ADD YOUR HANDWRITTEN NOTE, AND JOIN OTHER MOAA MEMBERS IN 1) REQUESTING FULL FUNDING OF THE MILITARY PAY RAISE IN FY 2019 DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION LEGISLATION; AND 2) INSISTING THAT THE DISABLED, MEDICALLY RETIRED VETERAN RECEIVES THE SAME BENEFITS AS RETIREES WITH 20 OR MORE YEARS OF SERVICE.

THE 3RD ANNUAL EVENT HONORING WOMEN VETERANS IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 16, FROM 4:30 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M., DOLE VA CENTER AUDITORIUM. THE EVENT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. (INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY ALTA SEGOVIA, WIFE OF MARK)

FIVE JROTC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS WERE SUBMITTED AND ARE BEING REVIEWED BY MOAA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBERS. AWARD RECIPIENTS WILL BE INTRODUCED DURING THE MAY BRUNCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING.

IN FEBRUARY, REPRESENTATIVES FROM WICHITA PARKS AND RECREATION PROVIDED AN OVERVIEW OF WICHITA PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES. OF INTEREST, OPEN SHELTERS WITH GRILLS AND NEARBY RESTROOMS, AND FACILITIES WITH INSIDE KITCHENS CAN

BE RESERVED FOR PICNICS AND CELEBRATIONS. PLEASE VISIT WICHITA.GOV/PARKSANDREC FOR RULES AND REGULATIONS.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND THE **MOAA BRUNCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING** SCHEDULED FOR
SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018

ROLLING HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

BUFFET BRUNCH 11:00 A.M.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING 12:45 P.M.

A REPRESENTATIVE FROM **MIDWEST BATTLE BUDDIES** WILL SHARE DETAILS OF THE ORGANIZATION'S MISSION. THE GROUP IS DEDICATED TO ENHANCING THE LIVES OF VETERANS WHO SUFFER FROM PTSD, TBI, AND OTHER SERVICE RELATED ISSUES.

SINCERELY,

MICHAEL L. DILLARD, PRESIDENT

