

The Middle Georgia Chapter (MOAA)
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MAY 2025

Fostering patriotism and military values to advance our community

2025 Chapter Dues (\$30) are due!

Our May 2025 MOAA Monthly Meeting will be held on **WEDNESDAY, May 7th, 2025**, with a half hour social at 11:30 AM and lunch following at 12:00 (noon). The meeting will take place at the **Houston Lake Country Club**, which is located at 100 Champions Way, Perry, GA 31069

Middle GA Chapter Officers

President: Michael Qualls
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Ladies Auxiliary Officers

President: Cindy Gordon
Vice President: Jo Drinkhahn
Secretary: Gloria Nelson
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Mike Qualls, President

Greetings! I do hope that everyone survived the tax filing deadline. Laurie and I made it just before the deadline. Our accountant said that the deadline for certain states had been set back until May 1, 2025, but he did not suggest that we take that option. The way things are in D.C. right now, it might be someone who is harried, behind schedule, or only plain does not care, who gets your late form and decides that it did not apply to your situation.

It is time to start looking at the summer clothes and storing away the winter ones. The weather forecasters say that we will be in the 80's during the third and fourth weeks of April and probably have some rain during that same time. Remember to stay hydrated all summer long.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter. It is not only a time for family and bunnies but a time to remember the real reason we celebrate the season. I encourage everyone to visit their chosen place of worship during this time and rejoice in the fact that we, in this country, are allowed to do so without interference from government or other factions.

See you all in June before we break for a couple of months--a time to breathe and relax.

Sincerely,
Michael L. Qualls
Chapter President
Middle Georgia Chapter



Our speaker for April 2025 was one of our chapter members, Lt Col (USAF, Retired) Joe Ballard. He presented an interesting briefing about the history, mission, and role of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) in the successful execution of our military mission worldwide.

Rich McKee, First Vice President, Programs.

Our speaker for May is currently unconfirmed. If you know of someone or some organization that would be of interest to the group and would like to present please let Rich know.

Jo Drinkhahn, 2nd Vice President, Membership

(Jo is currently recovering from Orthopedic Surgery and hopes to be home by 30 April 2025. We all wish her a speedy and complete recovery!)

Cindy Gordon, President, Ladies Auxiliary

The year is flying by!!!! How can we be writing our May newsletter? We have had such wonderful programs, delicious meals, and fun visits with our members.

Thanks to everyone who has supported our ladies auxiliary! We have had such great donations this year. Be sure to remember your donation at the May meeting. Thanks so much!

We are looking forward to seeing everyone,
♥ Cindy Gordon
Ladies Auxiliary President

MENU

The menu is: Chicken Marsala, garlic mashed potatoes, fresh grilled asparagus, (ALTERNATE, grilled marinated chicken) hot rolls and butter, dessert provided by Les Arent and Bill Craig, water or iced tea and coffee on request.

Please let us know when you sign up if you would like the Alternate Menu.

The cost of the meal will be \$25 per person, cash or check. No credit cards please. Make check out to "MOAA".

DINNER RESERVATIONS

Please call or e-mail one of the following before Noon, on Wednesday, April 30th, 2025:

- Bill and Gail Goodwin, 929-3362 (Landline), 955-7296 (cell); EMAIL: wsgoodwin@cox.net, OR wsgoodwin2@gmail.com.

- Les and Charline Arent, 953-5847; EMAIL javelin73@cox.net.

Please Bring any donations of yarn, thread, material, or money etc. to our monthly meeting and Laurie and Michael will see that they get to Project Linus.