

New River Chapter MOAA Chartering Ceremony 18 August 2009

Call to order: At 1830 hours 18 August 2009, Ken Lynn, the acting secretary/treasurer, called the meeting to order by welcoming all present. The Ashe County High School JROTC Color Guard presented the colors and the National Anthem was played. Ken introduced all distinguished guests to include MOAA's national president, Vice Admiral Norb Ryan, U.S. Congresswoman Virginia Foxx, NC State Senator Steve Goss, North Carolina Council of Chapter's President, Col (ret) Vern Pike, other chapter leaders and the acting officers. Ken then introduced the chapter's acting president, Doug Ehrhardt.

Chapter President's Remarks: Doug again welcomed everyone; gave a short history of how the chapter came to be; provided a brief overview of the way ahead and then introduced Vice Admiral Ryan.

National President's Remarks: Vice Admiral Ryan congratulated us on establishing the chapter, gave a brief update on MOAA national and concluded his remarks by officially installing Doug Ehrhardt as the chapter president and then officially presented the chapter's charter and gavel to Doug.

Installation of Officers and Recognition of the Membership: Charles Knapp was installed as the chapter's 1st vice president and Ken Lynn was installed as secretary/treasurer. Charles then assisted Doug and Vice Admiral Ryan in presenting each charter member, auxiliary charter member and member/spouse charter member with a recognition/membership certificate.

Members Present: See Appendix A.

Old Business: None discussed

New Business: The next meeting, to discuss the business end of the new chapter, is tentatively scheduled to be held sometime in October.

Adjournment: The president officially adjourned the formal part of the meeting at 1940 hours and the membership and guests then enjoyed refreshments and posed for group photographs.

Other: Doug Ehrhardt, Charles Knapp and Ken Lynn (with spouses) then accompanied Vice Admiral Ryan and Col Pike (and spouse) to dinner.

Submitted by Ken Lynn, Secretary

Approved by Doug Ehrhardt, President

Appendix A.
Attendees at August 18, 2009 New River Chapter Chartering Ceremony

Name	Service	Spouse	Status
Joseph Bailey	CW3, USA (Ret.)	Violet	Charter Member
Paul Baschon	LTC, USA (Ret.)	Sara	Charter Member
Robert Breton	LCDR, USN (Ret.)	Jill	Charter Member
Louis Burge	MAJ, USAF (Ret.)	Ann	Charter Member
Marlette Cullen			Charter Auxiliary Member
James Dunne	CAPT, USNR (Ret.)	Elizabeth	Charter Member
Doug Ehrhardt	CAPT, MSC, USN (Ret.)	Cathy	President
Lee Eldreth	MAJ, USA (Ret.)	Mannon	Charter Member
James Gee	LCDR, MSC, USN (Ret.)		Charter Member
Patricia Gobble			Charter Auxiliary Member
Hugh Halsey	LTC, USA (Ret.)	Ruth	Charter Member
Porter Hicks	LTC, USA (Ret.)		Charter Member
William Horner	LTC, USMC (Ret.)	Joan	Charter Member
Mac Hunt	CDR, MC, USN (Ret.)	Frances	Charter Member
Edith Jones			Charter Auxiliary Member
Charles Knapp	COL, MC, USA (Ret.)	Mary	1 st Vice President
Rose Koontz			Charter Auxiliary Member
Jerry Lafferty	CDR, USN (Ret.)	Lee	Charter Member
Ken Lynn	Col, USAF (Ret.)	Monica	Secretary/Treasurer
Linda Marsh			Charter Auxiliary Member
Donald McNeill	MAJ, MC, USA (Frm.)	Lois	Charter Member
Sharon Need			Member Spouse
Thomas Newell	COL, USA (Ret.)		Charter Member
Ronald Schuette	LTC, USA (Ret.)	Betty	Charter Member
Scott Sears	RDML, USN (Ret.)		Charter Member
Daniel Strickland	Col, USAF, MC (Ret.)		Charter Member
Nola Strickland	CAPT, NC, USNR (Ret.)		Charter Member
Richard Tucker	LCDR, USN (Ret.)		Charter Member
William Wheatley	Officer, USA (Frm.)		Charter Member
Wilbur Wright	CW4, USA (Ret.)		Charter Member
Bernadette Zimmerman			Charter Auxiliary Member