

New River Chapter

E-Newsletter of June 2, 2023

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NEW RIVER CHAPTER REGULAR JUNE 2023 MEETING

As seen in an updated post regarding our 2023 calendar (next article), we'll meet at the Old Barn Winery in West Jefferson (also known as Frosty's) on June 22, 2023. Originally scheduled for June 20, the meeting date was revised as the winery is **only open Thursday through Sunday**. This will be a wonderful opportunity for camaraderie, and we hope that many members who haven't been able to gather since well before the pandemic can attend!

One member recently planning to spend more time in Ashe County is MG Ken Dowd, USA, Ret. Ken shared that he and his wife Jennie are looking forward to spending more time here and less time in Raleigh and wants to let everyone know how they'd like to be involved in our scheduled activities. So, mark your calendar and plan to join us in the Old Barn Winery meeting room above the wine bar...plan to bring a dish to share – *side dish or dessert* – and then choose a wine or other libation from the Winery to enjoy and get acquainted/reacquainted with fellow MOAA New River Chapter members. It's going to be SUPER to see everyone again!

NEW RIVER CHAPTER's 2023 CALENDAR

Check out the attached 2023 calendar as a few changes were needed to ensure we have a place to gather! The June meeting date has been revised to show our planned activity to be held at the Old Barn Winery in West Jefferson…left click here to see the calendar.

MOAA/USAA COMMUNITY GRANT

Our New River Chapter received a grant from MOAA/USAA for \$1,500.00 to assist a surviving spouse of a veteran who had been experiencing housing insecurity due to a badly leaking roof on her Ashe County home. She can now put that concern in a rear-view mirror as repairs were completed on May 23, 2023. The homeowner is very excited about our support...she says she can begin picking up the many pots and pans that have been collecting rain these many months! Please Left click here and open a link on our website to read her story and see a photo array of the project.

Our Chapter can take a lot of pride in having received a USAA Community Foundation Grant from MOAA and in helping another local veteran family in replacing their leaking roof!

Questions or comments regarding the New River Chapter, our <u>website</u>, or information you see in eNewsletters like this, can be addressed to <u>Contact Us</u> (above) or by calling Doug Ehrhardt, Past President: 240-672-8496. Let us know how we're doing or share a topic you'd like to see needing more information or emphasis...

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Chapter Calendar of Events 2023 dates shown using (

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- May 13... Support for the New River Marathon, 7:00 AM 12:00 PM (volunteer details to be provided)
- May 20... Music Fest / Quilts by Piecemakers Guild for Veterans @ Ashe Civic Center, 1:00 PM 4:00 PM
- Jun 22... Chapter Social @ The Old Barn (Frosty's) in West Jefferson, 2:00 PM 4:00 PM
- Jul 18...Chapter to present "Hacksaw Ridge" at the Parkway Theater, West Jefferson, 4:00 PM
- Aug 20... Chapter Picnic @ Knapp's Home, 1:00 PM 4:00 PM (rain date August 27)
- Sep 19...Our **THIRD BOTM!** 11:00 AM 12:30 PM. What's that? Come and enjoy good food atop Mount Jefferson State Park
- Oct 19... Social Dining @ Molly Chompers, Lansing 3:00 PM 6:00 PM (bring a dish)
- Nov 19... **Holiday Party** at the Ashe Arts Council, 2:00 PM 5:30 PM (bring a dish or dessert to share)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW! PLAN TO BE WITH US FOR AS MANY EVENTS AS YOU'RE ABLE.

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