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CORONADO CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP

Life Members:	77
Basic and Annual Members:	182
Surviving Spouse	43
Honorary Members:	3
Total Chapter Membership:	**305**

2026 CORONADO CHAPTER GOALS

1. Support the 2026 MOAA National Advocacy in Action priorities through their widespread publication via Legislative Updates to all veterans; focused articles in the monthly newsletter; and engagement with elected officials as evidenced by registration in and use of MOAA's Legislative Action Center.

2. Continually encourage our members to "Never Stop Serving" by providing avenues for their active involvement with both MOAA efforts and priorities as well as in support of organizations and groups share common goals in concert with MOAA's mission.

3. Actively **engage** all surviving spouses on a routine and individually tailored basis; **support** each surviving spouse with appropriate assistance as each member may require; and **prepare** our members, as early as possible, for the point when life transitions as a surviving spouse.



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Welcome to the February edition of the Heliogram.



First of all, congratulations to Allen Goodman, James Clenney and Lori Wysong who were elected and installed as your chapter's Treasurer, Legislative Director, and JROTC Director at January's monthly meeting. Without the active involvement and willingness to assume leadership positions within the chapter your chapter would cease to exist and so, once again, congratulations and thank you for stepping up.

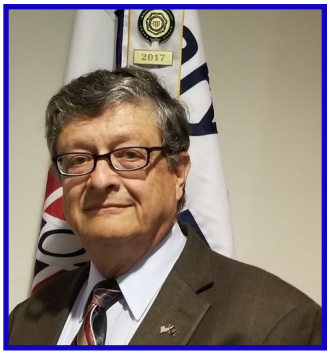
Moving on and like the song goes, here's your One More Last Chance to renew your membership in the Coronado Chapter for 2026. For less than the price of a three topping pizza and a pitcher of beer you can remain a member of the largest five star MOAA chapter in the state. If you haven't done so yet I would ask you seriously consider not only renewing your membership in the chapter but getting involved and partaking in the camaraderie that comes with active involvement. And speaking of camaraderie, this month's field exercise is going to be an expedition to the Tucson Military Vehicle Museum. If you've never been it's worth going to see, if only to make you glad you didn't get branched Armor. Details can be found on page 7.

Next up is that with a new year comes new challenges, and one of the biggest ones is replenishing our scholarship fund. For those of you who have already begun to contribute a hearty thank you, for those who have yet to please consider foregoing that second pitcher of beer and contribute to the fund. It's a long way from zero to $10,000 but with your help and support we can get there.

And last but not least, it is with great sorrow that I inform the membership of the passing of William "Bill" Hicks on 19 January 2026 at the age of 95. Bill was both a long time member of the Coronado Chapter as well as a past president whose absence will be deeply felt. His complete obituary as well as information regarding services can be found on page 5.

And as always. . .

"Never Stop Serving".
Ed Wozniak, Chapter President



IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

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Hello all.

I hope you all have a wonderful February! I look forward to our Valentine's Day. By way of sharing useless knowledge, did you know that in Japan, Valentine's Day is traditionally when women give chocolate to men? The gift is divided into different types: romantic Honmei-choco, obligatory work-related Giri-choco, friendship-focused Tomo-choco, and even self-gifting Jibun-choco. I like that….but for some reason and even after living for years in Okinawa, my bride never got on board. Sigh!

I hope you all are keeping up with the Distinguished Honor Graduate program that our chapter supports. These young women and men leaders are recognized for the excellent example that they provide to others around them. Each one that Bill Sherod and others recognize provide significant promise for their career and to the Army Military Intelligence field. Consider joining in the recognition presentation service and you too will feel the sense of fulfillment that these officers exhibit.

I encourage you to consider our local efforts to bring the Endeavors program to Sierra Vista and Cochise County. Endeavors is a faith-based organization founded in 1969 as a Christian community service organization that reflects their core conviction that God calls us to love and serve all people. Their efforts in our community are focused on providing Mental Health and Wellness support, Sheltering vulnerable populations, ensuring Rapid Response to needs, and providing extended and individual Case Management. An Endeavors presence will serve Law Enforcement, Customs and Border Patrol, First Responders, and Veterans – AND their families. Please consider looking at their website https://endeavors.org/ and join me in supporting their presence.

And as Always . . .

"Never Stop Serving"
James Clenney, Immediate Past President



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As always, please keep the following members in your prayers. If you're able to, please call or even pay them a short visit. I know it would be appreciated.

Special Prayers & Concerns

Betsy Carver	Barbara Hall	John Peele	Joan Bates
Ann Lander	Theresa Walsh	Margie Gomez	Jennifer Venola
Evelyn Schock- Hicks	Anne Carter	Rhonda Garwood	Mary Sibrava
Marianne Newcomer	Ron & Cindi Lotero	Bob Abney	

Please notify me or any of the Board members of anything happening with our members or spouses. We have members who are willing and able to assist no matter what it may be. Don't hesitate to reach out.

And as always, pray for the safety our leaders and for them to make wise and just decisions. Pray for our military members and their families for their continued safety as they serve around the globe.

And as Always . . .

"Never Stop Serving"
Allen Goodman, Chaplain

William “Bill” Wagner Hicks

William (Bill) Wagner Hicks, a 47-year resident of Hereford, Ariz. passed away Monday, January 19th, on his 95th birthday, at the Canyon Vista Medical Center.

He was born on January 19, 1931, in Charlotte, N.C., to Robert A. Hicks and Jeanne McCoy. After graduating high school, Bill began a long and distinguished career in the United States Army. He also earned his Business, Political Science and Military Science degree at the Chaminade College of Honolulu. Bill served 34 years in the Army, retiring at the rank of Colonel. He completed a wide-range of assignments during his career, including Korea, Vietnam and Germany. Bill was a proud graduate of the U.S. Army Airborne School and went on to serve with the 101st Airborne Division. He held several assignments, but his primary specialty was as a Field Artillery Officer. Bill earned numerous awards including Legion of Merit (2OLC), Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Korean Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, and Combat Infantry Badge. He retired from the Army in 1983 as the Inspector General of the Communications Command for Fort Huachuca.

Bill married his beloved first wife of 55 years, Jojuana (Jo) in 1956 in Munich, Germany. His military career led the family to live in numerous worldwide locations including Germany, Fort Sill, Okla., Fort Campbell, Ken., Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, Washington, D.C., Fort Monroe, Virg., Fort Leavenworth, Kans. and Fort Huachuca.

After his military retirement, Bill founded and built H&M Associates, Inc., completing engineering contracts for the military. After Jo's passing in 2012, Bill closed the firm in 2014. Bill and Evelyn (Schock) met at St. John's Episcopal Church where Bill was Senior Warden for 15 years, and he and Evelyn later served together on the vestry. Evelyn brought renewed joy back into Bill's life and they married in December 2019.

Bill was preceded in death by his beloved wife Jojuana; his brothers Robert and Phillip Hicks; sister Jeanne Hicks; and daughters Mary Jeanne Shipman and Elizabeth Anne Holder. He is survived by his beloved wife Evelyn; daughter Patricia Stevens (John); granddaughters, Amber (Chris) and Rachel Shipman; grandson Alex Shipman; great-grandson Dylan Lee Lowe; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, February 6, 2026, at Post Cemetery, Fort Huachuca, with Fr. Seth Polley officiating. Those who wish to attend the service should gather by 12:15 p.m. at the Widowed Support Center at the Main Gate of Fort Huachuca for the M.P. escort. (No passes needed.). In lieu of flowers, the family would respectfully request that memorial contributions in Bill's name be made to St. John's Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 368, Bisbee, Ariz. 85603.

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My short information sharing for this month is as follows:
Please check out the Legislative Action Center at https://moaa.quorum.us.
Please review the information that is sent out via the address; coronadomoaa@[a series of numbers].mailchimpapp.com. This email attempts to update our members regarding important actions that have been entered into the legislative process.

And as Always . . .

"Never Stop Serving"
Jim Clenney, Legislative Affairs Director



MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

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For those who have yet to renew their memberships in the Coronado Chapter, this will be your last Heliogram. Reminders have been sent to those whose memberships were expiring, however if you have yet to renew but would like to continue to receive the Heliogram as well as Legislative news and updates, just go to our website https://www.moaacoronado.org/join and renew online or complete the application in this issue and mail it to the address on the form.



That being said, on Friday, February 27th we'll be going to the Tucson Military Vehicle Museum. We'll meet at the Mall Parking Lot on the South side of Dillard's at 0845 with departure at 0900. I'll have a 15 passenger van available so we can ride together. By majority consensus, we'll decide where to have a late lunch before we depart for Sierra Vista. So if you would like to join us on this interesting tour, call, text, or email me no later than 1600 on the 26th. Admission price is $18.00 per (veteran) person.

As a reminder, if you believe in the mission of MOAA and our Chapter's community support to our veterans and their families, please approach your fellow officers and invite them to join. You should never be without a few tri-folds handy to hand out so if you're out, just let me know and I'll square you away.

And as always. . .

"Never Stop Serving"
Allen Goodman, Membership Director

"Hail, New Members!"

CAPT, USNR (Ret) Gretchen Lamberth

2LT Patrick Farrell

SSM Evelyn Schock-Hicks

February Birthdays

Rose Albu Musaf (21)
Mary Bell (16)
Carole Brown (2)
Lola Fisher (24)
John Goggin (28)
Liangchien Lee (3)
Kyle Reed (16)
Ruth Van Otten (24)
Alan Waltz (24)
Robert Wise (7)
Nicholas Lizarraga (3)
Larry Behle (19)
Janet Bobar (12)
Neva Chun (14)
Shanon Lake (10)
Renee Ingerson (14)
Yareli Rands (23)
Karin Singer (19)
Carolyn Walters (20)
Carolyn Weaver (23)
Meleah Yancey (5)
Cecillia Papatrefon (7)
Brenda Behle (24)
Harry Brown (22)
Robert Dey (19)
Ardrienne Garcia (19)
Dick Larry (1)
Nancy Rea (21)
Donna Smith (12)
Candy Walther (10)
Oliver White (23)
Michael Zhang (23)
Marianne Newcomer (3)



And as Always . . .

"Never Stop Serving"
Allen Goodman, Membership Director

MOAA CORONADO CHAPTER

CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL

Last Name _____ First _____ Initial_____ Rank _____

Address _____ City_____

State _____ Zip _____

Email Address: _____ Phone:_____

Date of Birth: MM _____DD _____YYYY _____ National MOAA #_____

Circle All That Apply

MOAA Life Member? Y/N

Branch: Army Navy Air Force Marine Corps Coast Guard Space Force NOAA USPHS

Component: Active Guard Reserve

Status: Active Former Retired Surviving Spouse

Spouse's Full Name _____ Date of Birth MM_____DD_____ YYYY_____

Circle Membership Term

Regular members:	$20/year	$80/five years	$180/Life Membership
Surviving Spouses	$10/year	$40/five years	$100/Life Membership

Voluntary Scholarship or Operations Donation:

Scholarship $_____

Operations $_____

Total Enclosed $_____

Signature _____ Date _____Ck Nbr: _____

Make check payable to: **Coronado Chapter, MOAA**
P.O. Box 1685, Sierra Vista, AZ 85636-1685
Or Join/Renew Online at **https://www.moaacoronado.org/join**

For any Membership questions, contact:
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A few facts about MOAA:

MOAA is the nation's largest and most influential association with over 350,000 military officers and surviving spouses belonging to 380+ chapters.

MOAA is Co-founder/Co-chair of The Military Coalition; composed of over 32 national veterans' organizations (representing over 5 million people).

A few facts about Coronado Chapter:

Coronado Chapter received its charter in 1973, starting with 47 members.

Our Chapter has received the MOAA 5-Star Level of Excellence Award (the highest rating awarded by National MOAA) for over a decade.

The Heliogram newsletter, sent to Chapter members has consistently been recognized as a MOAA 5-Star communication publication.

Chapter dues: $20 annually for officer members and $10 for surviving spouse members.

Why join Coronado Chapter?

Make Yourself Heard – Coronado Chapter provides grassroots coordination and support for MOAA's national legislative agenda. MOAA is in the fight to preserve our benefits. Chapter members let their legislators know what's on their minds with the strength of MOAA developed data behind us.

Give Back to the Community – We serve as MOAA's ambassadors in local communities. Members continue "officership" service and are giving back in the truest sense.

Expand Social Opportunities– Coronado sponsors programs and opportunities to interact with civic, political, military, and business leaders.

Network With Fellow Officers– Our membership includes second-career members in the work force and retired service members who have contacts in their communities that can be valuable to transitioning officers.

Stay Informed – Our newsletter (Heliogram), websitehttp://www.moaacoronado.org/, and meetings provide you with the latest information on local, state, and national issues and changes to military benefits.

Influence State Legislation– Arizona's Council of Chapters unites our chapters to lobby for and pass state level legislation that affects military members and their families, such as exempting military retired pay from Arizona income tax or increasing funding for Arizona's veterans' programs.

Find Camaraderie With a Purpose – Coronado unites active duty, former, and retired officers from every branch of service. This gives you opportunities to connect with other members with similar backgrounds and interests and develop lasting friendships.



SCHOLARSHIP DIRECTOR

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I know the Fall semester may seem like a long way off, however now is the time of year where our 2026 scholarship program gets in gear. This year we're offering scholarships in four different categories for students wishing to further their education. For more information on the scholarships available click on the appropriate scholarship below to be taken to a page for specific qualification criteria.

The COL (Ret) Doris Caldwell Vocational Educational Scholarship

The Colonel Doris Caldwell MOAA Coronado Chapter Vocational Education Scholarship is a $1,000 scholarship awarded to a student who has committed to pursuing a vocational education. This scholarship can be used for tuition, fees, books, supplies, or equipment required for the course of instruction.

The Coronado Chapter MOAA JROTC Scholarship

The Coronado Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) intends to award two scholarships to graduating seniors enrolled in the JROTC Programs at Buena High School and/or Tombstone High School.

The Coronado Chapter MOAA Non-JROTC Scholarship

The Coronado Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) intends to award an indeterminate number of non-JROTC related scholarships based on the number, qualifications and funding available. The applicant must be a graduating senior from Benson, Bisbee, Bowie, Buena, Douglas, Patagonia, San Simon, St. David, Tombstone, Valley Union, Willcox, a certified Charter High School or a certified Home School Program in the geographic area covered by the above high schools.

The COL (Ret) Iluminada Salvador Chinneth Nursing Scholarship.

The Colonel Iluminada Salvador Chinneth MOAA Coronado Chapter Nursing Scholarship is $5,000 awarded to one student per year to a nursing student in a Baccalaureate program in the 3rd and 4th years of in-residence (not online) nursing studies in an accredited college of nursing.

And as Always . . .

"Never Stop Serving"
Kathy Youngblood, Scholarship Director

HELIOGRAM SCHOLARSHIP DONORS LIST 2025

2025 SUSTAINING LEVEL (Cumulative Donations of $300 or more)

Kilpatrick, Merle

2025 GOLD LEVEL (Cumulative Donations of $200 to $299)

Puett, Joseph & Margaret

2025 SILVER LEVEL (Cumulative Donations of $100 to $199)

2025 CHAPTER DONORS (Cumulative Donations Up to $100)

Scheumann, Steven

TOTAL TO-DATE: $650.00 **GOAL: $10,000.00**



ACTING SURVIVING SPOUSE DIRECTOR

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The standing committee respectfully asks our Surviving Spouse members to step into a chapter role to help us serve our 44+ Surviving Spouse member component. You will be welcomed into the committee! You will be welcomed as a leader in the committee (and chapter).

I am very thankful to Allen and Donna Goodman as well as Katricia Clenney for their service for the past couple of years as members of the Steering Committee, even though they did not have surviving spouse experiences their willingness to step up and serve was exemplary. Now that their period of service ended on 30 January we are seeking individuals willing to step up and carry on their service.

Our January Surviving Spouse luncheon was conducted on January 28th at the Orient Express. Our speaker was Laura Wilson, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Library for the City of Sierra Vista. As with all our events your Surviving Spouse Committee – Jim Clenney, Janet Bobar, and Jodie Heinz – would love to hear from you and better yet, to see you there!

And as Always . . .

"Never Stop Serving"
Jim Clenney, Acting Surviving Spouse Director



The Program Guru

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19 February 2026 Program

Ms. Aimee Randazzo
Senior Area Operations Manager, USO

Sierra Vista Golf Center at Pueblo del Sol
2770 St. Andrews Drive, Sierra Vista, AZ

Luncheon Meetings: Social 1130, Luncheon 1200, Program 1245
Dinner Meetings: Social 1800, Dinner 1830, Program 1845

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

19 Mar 26	Honoring Our Surviving Spouses ***(Luncheon Meeting)***
16 Apr 26	Mr. Jason Bowling, CEO, SSVEC ***(Luncheon Meeting)***
21 May 26	Honoring Our Scholarship Recipients ***(Dinner Meeting)***

No meetings in June, July or August

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Tom Hessler, Program Guru

Thursday, February 19, 2026, Luncheon Reservation Form

Sierra Vista Golf Center at Pueblo Del Sol , 2770 South Saint Andrews Drive, Sierra Vista, AZ

Pre-Meeting Social 1130 — Luncheon 1200 — Program 1245

My Name_____ Guest Name_____

Make checks payable to Coronado Chapter, MOAA and mail to: Reservations, Coronado Chapter, MOAA, P.O. Box 1685, Sierra Vista, Arizona 85636-1685. Mailed Reservations should be postmarked NLT **5 FEB 26** to ensure timely receipt **OR RESERVE ONLINE NLT 12 FEB 26 AT**

MOAACORONADO.ORG/MONTHLY/DINNER

Total Meal(s) at $30.00 each _____

Vegetarian Option _____

Vegan Option _____

Donation to Operating Fund (Optional) _____

Donation to Scholarship Fund (Optional) _____

Check Total _____

BUFFET MENU

Vegetable Soup
Pasta Salad
Build Your Own Sandwich Bar
Assorted Cheesecake & Fruit Cups

VEGETARIAN OPTION

Buffet Items

VEGAN OPTION

Buffet Items

ENTER INFO BELOW ONLY IF REQUESTING CHANGES TO THE MEMBERSHIP ROSTER.

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

A Note about Reservations.

We MUST give a final reservation count to the Sierra Vista Golf Center at Pueblo del Sol seven days before the dinner. If reserving via snail mail, your reservation should be postmarked 14 days prior to the event just to be sure we receive it in time.

If you think you may be coming, make your reservation as early as possible. We can take cancelations up to eight days before the dinner and we can either return your check, destroy it or credit it toward the following dinner. If for some reason you miss the deadline give me a call at (719) 440-1105 or email me at agoodman0663@yahoo.com to be placed on a waiting list. We often times have last minute cancellations. Looking forward to seeing you there!

SUICIDE PREVENTION

The Coronado Chapter supports the United Arizona Veterans in helping to find ways to reduce veteran suicides in Arizona. Below are ways we can help:

Publicize "Be Connected," a program that connects Arizona service members, veterans, families & helpers to information, support and resources." Their website is https://beconnectedaz.org/ or call 1-866-4AZ-VETS (429-8387). We are now "Be Connected" Partners.

Support "22 a Month to End 22 a Day." At the Warrior Healing Center, they are fighting this problem innovatively to restore hope. You can get more information at https://chuffed.org/project/22-a-month-to-end-22-a-day.

Emory Healthcare Veterans Program, free to qualified **post-9/11** military servicemembers and Veterans. This program is designed to treat conditions such as **post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)**, **traumatic brain injury (TBI)**, **military sexual trauma (MST)**, **anxiety**, and **depression** related to past military service. More information can be found at https://www.emoryhealthcare.org/centers-programs/veterans-program/index.html.

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MOAA SIGNATURE GROUPS

Join MOAA Leadership and your fellow MOAA members on these hosted cruises and land tours.

AFFORDABLE TRAVEL — Every MOAA Signature Group is a negotiated special which is not available to the general public – only MOAA members and their guests can attend. You can, however, bring as many friends and family members with you as you like.

EASIER, SAFER TRAVEL — Vacations are meant to be an escape. It is your time to relax and unwind, explore, and discover. So, let us take care of the details. This is valuable time that doesn't have to be spent worrying about how you're going to get there or, what you're going to do when you get there

INCREASE THE FUN FACTOR —Being surrounded by like-minded people offers you the chance to share experiences and make new memories together. Group travel can give you the chance to meet people and make new friends. You'll meet individuals who are also passionate about travel and have experiences that are similar to your own. With shared military backgrounds and values, camaraderie forms naturally and often leads to lasting friendships.

2026 & 2027 SIGNATURE GROUPS

July 12-21, 2026	**Highlights of Eastern Europe River Cruise**	9-nights from **$3,999**
October 1-10, 2026	**Western Europe Yacht Cruise**	9-nights from **$4,999**
April 25-May 2, 2027	**Castles Along the Rhine River Cruise**	7-nights from **$4,199**
July 19-27, 2027	**France & Spain Yacht Cruise**	8-nights from **$5,799**
September 14-25, 2027	**Circle Iceland Yacht Cruise**	11-nights from **$8,999**
Sept. 25-Oct. 4, 2027	**Battlefields of WWI & WWII Tour**	10 days from **$6,495**

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