



HIGH COUNTRY CHAPTER NEWS and EVENTS:

1. On March 25 many of our members and spouses participated in a zoom format "Officers Call." In addition to the electronic fun and fellowship our guest speaker was Mr. John Ward, who serves as Boone's Town Manager. His presentation was very informative regarding both Covid and upcoming events. He noted that Boone's Covid rates were declining and despite the county's higher density population, we had less cases and fatalities than neighboring counties. Mr. Ward also was happy to announce that a Textile League baseball club, the Boone Bigfeet, was being organized for summer games. Many members mentioned on the recent survey they would like to meet outdoors and enjoy some activities. The Boone Bigfeet may be that opportunity.
2. Regarding the recent survey, Steve Burrell was the recipient of the Peppers Restaurant gift card for participating in the survey raffle.
3. Covid-19 News: Although Gov. has relaxed some restrictions, we're not out of the woods yet. The website for local information regarding Covid vaccination and news is: www.yourspotyourshot.nc.gov. Both AppHealth (Watauga County Health Dept) and Appalachian Regional Healthcare System are conducting parallel vaccination efforts.
4. Web Site: Go to HCCMOAA.ORG for more information regarding our NC-21 Chapter.

MEMORIAL DAY EVENT BEING PLANNED

Memorial Day, which has also been called Decoration Day, is a federal holiday in the United States for honoring and mourning the military personnel who have died in the performance of their military duties while serving in the United States Armed Forces. Started in 1868, the holiday is now observed on the last Monday of May. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day to honor and mourn those who died while serving in the U.S. Military. Many volunteers place an American flag on graves of military personnel in national and community cemeteries. Your MOAA Board is currently planning a Memorial Day ceremony that adheres to Covid-19 requirements. Save the date, Monday, May 31.



DO YOU KNOW YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The High Country Chapter of MOAA is composed of highly talented individuals which represent a mix of diversity in a variety of fields and categories. The purpose of the board is to provide chapter leadership, disseminate information, distribute funding to various charities, and provide opportunities for collegial fellowship. Your board is composed of:

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| a) Doug May, USMC = President..... | b) George Brudzinski, USMC = Treasurer |
| c) Lance Campbell, USA = Secretary | d) Ted Alley, USAFR = Chair Program Committee |
| e) Jim Fisher, USN = Chaplain/Personal Affairs.... | f) Frankie Groff = Surviving Spouse Liaison |
| g) Fred Schmitt, USCG = Immediate Past President/Chair Nominating Committee | |
| h) Ben Covington, USA = Chair Membership... | i) Marv Williamson, USAR = Chair History... |
| j) Bob Love, USN | k) Jim Walker, USMC |

There are additional positions open that need to be filled. They are 2 Vice President, Legislative Chair, and Director-At-Large. If you are interested in a more active role for growing our chapter forward please contact our Nomination Chair, Fred Schmitt at 828-260-0008 or [fredschmitt5@gmail.com](mailto:fredschi5@gmail.com).