

THE ROGUE REPORT



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From the Desk of the Chairman

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"The flag is the embodiment, not of sentiment, but of history." – Woodrow Wilson

Important Dates in October

October 7	Afghanistan War Began (2001)
October 10	Columbus Day Observed
October 13	US Navy Birthday (1775)
October 27	Navy Day
October 31	Halloween

Upcoming Events

October 8	VeteRUN 2022
October 8	Chapter Meeting
December 3	Christmas Social

October is when we celebrate the 247th birthday of the United States Navy on October 13th and on the 27th is Navy Day. I love the Navy having spent almost 30 years of service and am proud that we serve on and under the water, in the air and on the land with our Seabees. While I am proud of my Naval service, that in no way diminishes those who serve in the Army, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard or our newest branch, Space Force. Together we make an unbeatable team!

This month is also special to me for a variety of reasons. I will be getting married on the 15th to a wonderful Christian lady, but I want to honor the 41 1/2 years I had with Judy before the good Lord took her from me and my children. Losing a spouse is always a traumatic event, particularly if it is sudden and unexpected, but if I have one bit of advice to all of you, don't overlook the impact of that loss on your children. Wives and mothers are often the glue that holds families together, especially when we warriors are off serving our country or working to take care of the financial status of our family. As a man, I was raised to provide for my family, and I did very well in that department at the expense of the emotional support for my wife and kids. It took my son and daughter whom I love very much to bring me to understand this fact. Unfortunately, it was too late for Judy, and I just pray that my kids can forgive me and allow me to try and repair the harm that I have done. I say this now and, in this manner, because there may be some of you reading this where a light bulb comes on and you realize that you are or were in the same situation as I described. Remember, it is never too late to do something about it if the parties are alive. Trust that the Lord can and will help if you just ask.

I was introduced to a new program at the conference that has a great potential to provide an opportunity for any member regardless of age or health to make a difference. Operation Gratitude provides gift boxes to troops, emergency service providers and veterans to let them know how important they are to the rest of us. Each box has notes and a letter expressing appreciation, self-care items, snacks, and other simple things that let the recipient know that you care. Do you know how to knit, sew, or make items that can bring a little joy into a person's life? If you would like to bring some joy into the life of a veteran, let me know that you would like to help. With few veterans deployed in Harm's Way at the present time, this is one way we can continue to support the troops. It is kind of a care package.

Our 6th annual VeteRun takes place on October 8th. We have a chance to reach our goal of \$20,000 so that we can provide \$10,000 each to Mighty Oaks Foundation and David's Chair. It is not too late to help. You can go to <https://ncoarogue.org> and make a donation on the VeteRun tab or mail a contribution to our PO Box 5597, Central Point, OR 97502. I will report how it turned out next month.

If you have any ideas or suggestions, either contact headquarters or contact me at retiredveteran89@outlook.com and I can assure you that your leadership will take note.

Strength in Unity & Leadership By Example,

MCPO (SCW) Terry M. Haines, USNR Retired
Chairman, Rogue Chapter #1260



Support NCOA
Korean Medallion
Fundraiser



The association has selected the design for the next generation of Medallions for the Korean War veterans. A prototype is being manufactured and the plan is that an initial order of 500 will be placed once a sponsor is found. There are several pending options for sponsorship that will cover the estimated \$5,000 startup investment. Once the medallions become available, distribution will happen immediately, so be ready to let me know how many medallions you will need.

WARRIOR'S PIPELINE

Updates for Veterans and Service Members

The **NCOA Rogue Chapter Scholarship Fund** is one of the newest and most important benefits within the Chapter.

Established in 2019, its sole purpose is to help dependents of NCOA members continue their education beyond high school.

The deadline to submit an application in is May 15th of each year! Don't wait until the last minute.

Consider donating by visiting www.ncoarogue.org/donate

All donations received are used for scholarships and grants. No administrative or overhead expenses are deducted from the donations received.

Your donation will help enable the NCOA Rogue Chapter Scholarship Fund continue to be a valuable resource for NCOA members and their dependents!

**"If our country is worth dying for in time of war let us resolve that it is truly worth living for in time of peace."
—Hamilton Fish**

Membership categories:

I have been asked so many questions about whether someone is eligible to join NCOA, it is clear that many of you are confused. I will do my best to clarify the issue.

My experience as to why people don't recruit members is that either they don't care, or they get so busy they just don't think about it. We need help and you are it!

Regular Division: Anyone who has served honorably in the rank of E1 through E9 in any branch of the military, active, guard or reserve.

Veteran Division: Any officer of any branch of the military, active, guard or reserve.

Auxiliary: Anyone over the age of 18 who is related to someone who would have qualified for regular division status.

That includes spouses, brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, parents, aunts, uncles, cousins, grandkids. That included pretty much anyone related either directly or indirectly to someone who has served.

Associate Division: People who have never served but support what NCOA does. They can be politicians, business people who support veterans etc.

Chapter Activities

WW2 Medallions: We have issued at least 225 to WW2 veterans & families so far. Please help us identify & recognize this "Greatest Generation." We have members all across the country so if you know of a WW2 veteran, I encourage you to present one of these remarkable mementos to our greatest generation. Please do so soon while there are still some of

them around. Let the chapter know if you need help or have done this service. Medallions can be obtained from HQ for a minimum \$15 donation, and they will mail the medallion to you so that it can be presented by you! Thanks to Fred Crowder & Jack Shorb for your assistance.

Scholarship update: We have received & approved two applications. Heather Laney, the granddaughter

of Diane & Jesse Smith, both Rogue Chapter members. Heather will be graduating from South Medford High School. The 2nd recipient is KiAnna Imhausen, an NCOA auxiliary member and step-daughter of NCOA Vice Chairman Ken Wilson & daughter of NCOA auxiliary member Mary Wilson. She is a student at Rogue Community College pursuing a nursing degree.

Rogue Chapter Happenings

The 6th annual VeteRun takes place October 8th. Many runners and walkers are signed up to show up for a 5K fun run. We anticipate bringing in over \$20,000 that will be shared equally with Mighty Oaks Foundation and David's Chair. Pictures in next month's newsletter.

The following members have birthdays in October:

Ben Beaman
Michael Burns
Terry Haines
Daniel Houghton
Robert Lusk Jr
Harvey Pitcher
Lance Trowbridge

Guy Bergeson
Rick Chirrick
William Hammett
Alan House
David Myers
James Pringle
Eric Werner

Michael Brazofsky
James Cockerham
Cameron Hanson
Scott Johnson
JoAnn Nussbaum
Robert Scarpino
Joseph Whiteman

John Bromstead
George "Ike" Eisenhower
Vicky Hensley
Mike LaNier
Clifford Peery
John Spiegel

Korean Medallions: The Medallions recognizing our Korean War Veterans should be available around the first of September. They can be obtained for a donation of \$23 directly from HQ or through the chapter. If you are a Korean veteran or the family of one who has passed, please contact the chapter to arrange for a presentation. There is no cost to the veteran as the chapter raises funds to cover the cost through sponsorships and fund raisers. Let us remember those who served in the "Forgotten War!"

VeteRun: This has been the biggest single fundraising event that the chapter has ever done. In the first 5 years we have raised and given away over \$60,000 and our goal this year is to raise \$20,000. This year we again support Mighty Oaks Foundation which deals with PTSD and suicide prevention, an issue that has cost this country and our veteran population 22 veterans a day at its peak. We are also supporting a charity called David's Chair that provides free access to track chairs that allow wheelchair bound veterans the ability to go to the beach, up in the snow, to go hunting or fishing or play golf or trap shoot. Help us continue this significant legacy! Please thank Umpqua Bank, First Interstate Bank, Mahar Homes, Aetna Insurance, Lenz Chiropractic, Ashland Insurance, Black Flag Armory, Avista Utilities Ferrin Periodontics, Allcare Health, JLB Foundation, Boise Cascade, Knife River, Erickson, Cow Creek, Harold Center, Lithia Toyota, Pathway Enterprises, Chris Greig Safeco, Rogue Dental, Team Senior, Coldwell Banker ProWest, Rogue Armament, Southern Oregon Well Drilling, Airport Chevrolet, Schmidl Orthodontics, Layer Dental, and Rogue Valley Financial. You can go to the chapter website to sign up to walk or run. We are within reach of achieving our goal of \$20,000.

Operation Gratitude: This program was introduced to us at the recent conference. Check out Operation Gratitude on the web. There are opportunities for all of us to make a difference. If you can either write or collect letters/notes or if you can make things that might be useful for a troop or first responder, you can help.

"One flag, one land, one heart, one hand, One Nation evermore!" – Oliver Wendell Holmes

If you have a spouse or 18+year old dependent that supports you and what NCOA does, sign them up in the Auxiliary. It will only cost you \$15 for 1 year if you send the application back through the chapter so that we can make up the difference. Need an application, contact the Chairman.

Do you have an interesting military story or joke? Consider sharing it in writing (in 150-250 words) for possible publication in our next newsletter. Send your text and/or picture (keep it rated PG-13) to retiredveteran89@outlook.com

"Patriotism is not short, frenzied outbursts of emotion, but the tranquil and steady dedication of a lifetime."

Adlai Stevenson III



Ron Kohl presents WW2 medallion to Joe Soares on behalf of his grandfather Navy veteran Robert Soares (top left)

Trustees Ken Wilson & Ron Kohl present WW2 Medallion to AAC veteran Larry Wills (top right)

Pizza social Sept 10th (bottom)

October 2022 Security

SHORTCUTS

I put out a number of preventative measures to assist with your protection. How about a few good old fashion shortcuts. I will name the shortcut and list each step for you to achieve them. Contact me at cpspecialistinfo@aol.com if you have questions or request. Have fun.

>STOP YOUR IPHONE FROM TRACKING YOU.

- *Settings
- *Privacy
- *Location services
- *System services
 - *Look for Significant Location
 - *Turn it off and clear history

>HOW TO PUT A FILE NAME ON A FORM TO FIND IT LATER.

- *EXCEL
 - =cell ("filename")
- *Put current date
 - =today()

*WORD

Insert, header/footer, quick parts, field, file name

>PLACE A SIGNATURE ON A DOCUMENT

- *Take a snap shot of the document, go to pictures and click on edit
- *Signature button in toolbar, sign with finger
- *Save changed and click done. Signature is placed on document.

>HAVE YOUR IPHONE FLASH FOR INCOMING CALLS*Settings – general – accessibility – hearing *Turn on led flash

Shortcut keys	Description
Alt + Tab	Switch between open applications
Alt + Shift + Tab	Switch backward between open applications
Alt + Spacebar + N	Minimize active window
Alt + PrintScrn	Create screen shot for current program
Ctrl + Alt + Delete	Reboot / Windows Task Manager
Ctrl + shift + Tab	To move different open tabs in any browser
Ctrl + Esc	Bring up start menu
Alt + Esc	Switch between applications on taskbar
F2	Rename selected icon
F3	Start find from desktop
F4	Open the drive selection when browsing
F5	Refresh contents
Alt + F4	Close current open program
Ctrl + F4	Close window in program
Alt + Enter	Open properties window of selected icon or program
Shift + F10	Simulate right-click on selected item
Shift + Delete	Delete programs / files permanently

MEET YOUR ROGUE CHAPTER BOARD

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“Strength in Unity!”



NCOA Creed

“It is with the conception and full understanding that many things of great need and importance can be accomplished in unity and cooperation. Thus, do the members of the Non-commissioned Officers Association of the United States of America agree to join their efforts and strength to work together for the well-being of the individual, the group, and for the greatest benefit of our beloved nation.”



(A drawing depicting the entrance to the Vietnam Wall scheduled for installation at US Cellular Park in Medford, Oregon)

Terry Haines, Chairman: Terry enlisted in the US Navy for active duty between 1971-1977, honorably discharging as an E5. He then served in the US Naval Reserves between 1982-2006, retiring as a Master Chief Petty Officer (E-9), and he deployed twice for Iraqi Freedom between 2002-2003 and 2005-2006.

Ron Kohl, Treasurer/Trustee: Ron served in both the Air Force as a Tech Sergeant, and the Army as a Staff Sergeant before he retired. He also served in law enforcement and is committed to helping locals avoid fraud and scams.

Bud Cordes, Knight Advisor: Bud Cordes was a USAF Tech Sergeant who retired after 20 years of service in 1978. He served in Vietnam between 1968-1969.

Paul Mills, Trustee: Paul was a SPC in the US Army from 1987 to 1991 and his high point was serving in Berlin when the Berlin Wall came down.

Ken Wilson, Vice Chair: Ken served in the United States Navy for 4 years and was honorably discharged as an E-5 Boiler Tech. He served on four ships during his time. The first three he was part of the decommissioning party and he ended his career on board the USS Camden (AOE-2).

David Haines, Trustee: David served 24 years in the navy and Navy Reserve and 7 years in the Air Force Reserves where he deployed to Qatar in 2007-8. He achieved the rank of E-6.

NCOA MEMBERSHIP

Membership is the lifeblood of the Association!

Today the NCOA remains a vital fraternal, benevolent non-profit organization and acts as a conduit between the military and civilian communities in local areas and promotes positive community relations. The Association is proud of its efforts in three primary areas: Legislative Representation; Social and Fraternal Programs; and Member Benefits in the area of specialized services and discount programs. NCOA has much to offer its members and you too can join our numbers. Membership in NCOA is open to all, however, you must meet certain criteria to be a voting member of the Association, but this does not prevent you from being an Associate member and supporting our organization and reaping the benefits of being a member.

If you are already a member, please promote this fantastic and beneficial membership to fellow service members and Veterans looking for a supportive military community. If they are interested or have questions have them contact us or visit <https://www.ncoausa.org/>