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December Program: Holiday party at the home of Charles and Mary Knapp.



From the President...

The holiday season is once again upon us – what happened to the time in 2010? Your Board of Directors is working hard to close out this year and plan for next season...so I'd like to focus on our accomplishments in our **first full year** as a chapter.

It's important that we spent a lot of time in 2010 sharing food, fun and fellowship with our membership, beginning with our first regular meeting at the *West Jefferson Coffee House on the Backstreet*. Our hostess, Julie McGunegle, always has delicious treats to help get meetings started. Following that, we had a great turnout for our first picnic in August at *Mount Jefferson State Park*, and preparations are now being made to hold another **Holiday Party** at the home of 1st Vice President, Charles Knapp and his wife Mary. The Knapp's graciously hosted us in 2009 – be sure and visit the website to see pictures. A flyer is forthcoming, so if you couldn't come last year, don't forget to put 18 December on the calendar!

Programmatically, we "set the bar" for a newly created MOAA chapter. Soon after our chartering, we stood up our webpage and began publishing a bi-monthly newsletter. The website was submitted to National for the annual award competition, but we were **TOO** new; we still needed to have a few more inputs to really be in the running. In June, we awarded our first Leadership Award to a deserving ACHS JROTC student. In August, we were recognized in the *Affiliate*, MOAA's national newsletter, for our leadership in hosting a debate between NC candidates for Congress to educate our members prior to the general election; our Chapter received lots of kudos from attendees and the press alike.

Lastly, our fundraising effort, the "*Wall Murals of Downtown West Jefferson, NC*" post cards, is gaining momentum. Proceeds from this project – learn more elsewhere in this issue – will fund a Chapter-sponsored scholarship for a deserving ROTC/JROTC student.

In short, not bad for the new kids on the block! I hope you agree.



Very Respectfully,
Doug (MOAA Life Member)

New River Chapter Happenings

December Holiday Social: Charles and Mary Knapp will host us at their home on 18 December beginning at 1700. Bring a covered dish. See the enclosed flyer for more information and directions.

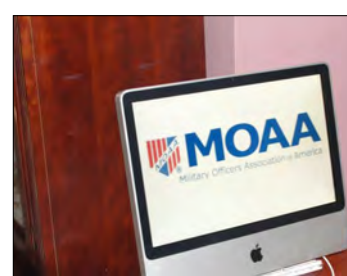


Need a MOAA Flag Lapel Pin or MOAA Pocket Badge?: See Ken Lynn who has a limited quantity. The flag pin is \$2.25 and the badge is \$6.00 (price includes a shipping fee).



“Give Me 10” Membership Drive Scorecard: Goal: 10 new “paid” members — life member upgrades: 4; new members: 2; total: 6. We can earn cash for every new member...or every current member who converts their membership to “Life Member” status. A special form is required; contact Ken Lynn or Mac Hunt for more information.

Forum a Huge Success!: The 12 October New River Chapter-sponsored Congressional debate held at the Ashe County Civic Center was a smashing success. Rep. Virginia Foxx and challenger Billy Kennedy squared off before a standing-room only audience. Chapter members and the public witnessed a first-class event and many voters vocally relayed their appreciation to members for holding the event in Ashe County. See a photo recap below.





Programs & Membership Committee Report

Mac Hunt, CDR, USN (Ret) & MOAA Life Member

New River Chapter (NRC) expansion under the "Give Me 10!" membership drive includes two new paid members + four existing members who have upgraded to Life Member status. We have, therefore, reached 60% of our annual goal of 10 new members in a combination of these categories. Recruiting four additional members in 2010 will qualify us for even larger rewards from the national organization. The benefits of MOAA Life Membership were summarized in the November issue of *Military Officer* magazine in an article called, "A Lifetime of MOAA:" www.qg.com/smartools/ebook/hosted.rails?issue=d4a97c63dba14a08b164e8f7b860ef12234e405a7ef44769a886e8f7b860ef12 (page 25). Those without computer access can call MOAA's Member Service Center at 800-234-6622 to learn more.

A warm welcome is extended to our newest member, Lee Holmes, Col, USMC (Ret). Lee and his wife Louise are Ashe County part-time residents who maintain their primary home in Greenville, NC. Congratulations are also extended to At-Large Director Ron Schuette, LTC, USA (Ret), for his Life Membership upgrade. Both Lee and Ron appear in the Chapter's website roster (www.newrivermoaa.org/membership.php; click "member list"). If you have not been assigned a username and/or password, please contact President Doug Ehrhardt (336-877-9260).

Recently, the Board of Directors approved the establishment of a scholarship fund; the *Rear Admiral Scott L. Sears Scholarship Fund, Inc.*, named in honor of our senior-ranking comrade (and charter member). Secretary/Treasurer Ken Lynn has gotten the fund incorporated, has obtained an IRS tax ID number and has established a separate banking account. The IRS non-profit determination application is in work. The fund will benefit college-bound high school seniors. Details regarding scholarship award criteria are yet to be determined. Please contact Doug Ehrhardt if you are interested in joining the scholarship committee as we need your help.



Revenue for this fund is being generated through vendor sales of — or individual donations for — sets of high-quality postcards depicting twelve West Jefferson wall murals. The cards have been produced through the efforts of 1st Vice President Charles Knapp, who is to be commended for his superb contribution (see the cards on page 8). Those with questions about page 9 and/or the project, are encouraged to attend the 18 December holiday party.

The 12 October NRC-sponsored pre-election forum at Ashe Civic Center (ACC), featuring NC 5th District U. S. Rep. Virginia Foxx and her challenger Billy Kennedy, has been deemed a tremendous success by the candidates, the membership present, the media covering the event and members of the public who attended or followed on radio. ACC's auditorium was filled to overflow capacity to follow candidate responses to questions posed by a panel of editors and political writer from *Ashe Mountain Times*, *Jefferson Post* and *Watauga Democrat*. Encouragement has been received from a number of entities for the NRC to consider hosting similar future events in Ashe County. Gratitude is extended to all Chapter members, auxiliary members and member spouses who ensured our success.

This committee chairman, and other Board members, continues to plan for future programs to benefit your interests. In that regard, I am investigating scheduling the Executive Director of the USS North Carolina Battleship Commission, Terry Bragg, Captain, USN (Ret), for a presentation on USS NORTH CAROLINA. I encourage you to present subjects that you wish to see/hear pursued during membership meetings, in this newsletter or through community efforts. We, the Directors, do not claim to have all the "answers," or a monopoly on expertise on every subject matter. This organization exists to serve you. Therefore, we encourage you to be active in the Chapter's programs, and to join us in making our committees something other than one-person sub-units.

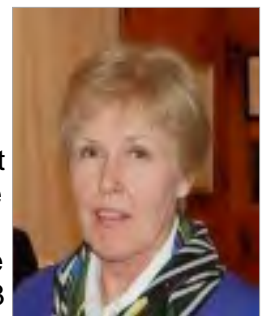
As half-time Ashe County residents, Fran and I have shifted to Swansboro for an extended period. Although we shall make occasional visits to Fleetwood before our return migration in late Spring, 2011, I can more reliably be contacted via the Swansboro number (910-326-2028) or by mobile 'phone (910-358-5114). As a reminder, my e-mail address is hunt@gibraltar.net. If you are without a NRC membership roster, please inform me so I can correct that deficiency. I hope to see you all on 18 December. Merry Christmas!

Personal Affairs Committee Report

Karen Strickland, CAPT, USNR (Ret) & MOAA Life Member

For those veterans who are not familiar with the Honor Flight Network, (HFN); it is a non-profit organization with the sole purpose of honoring all American Veterans by providing free transportation to Washington, DC to view the World War II Memorial.

Funding: As a non-profit organization it is dependent on public donations, veteran service organizations and corporate fundraisers. All donations to the federal, non-profit 501(c)3 organization are tax deductible. Annual audit reports are available to the public on request.



Priority: Presently priority is given to the surviving veterans of World War II (WWII) and any veteran with a terminal illness who would like to see and visit their memorial in person. According to 2008 statistics, WWII veterans are dying at a rate of 1,000 per day. So time is of the essence in fulfilling the dreams of our “Senior Heroes” along with the opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation to these brave men and women. As time marches on the HFN will broaden their program to include veterans of other wars occurring in chronological order – Korean War, Vietnam, etc.

Motto: The motto of HFN is: “We can’t all be heroes. Some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they go by.” (Quote by Will Rogers)

Websites: Please be aware of the correct website for information or donations. Websites listed as honorflight.com and honorflights.com charge a fee to all veterans who fly to the DC memorial. The correct website is honor flight network, Inc. www.honorflight.org for veterans to fly to the WWII memorial absolutely FREE OF CHARGE.

History: It is interesting how this all got started. The concept of honoring the WWII veterans was the brain child of a retired Air Force Captain, Earl Morse. As a Physician Assistant he had cared for many vets while on active duty. Then after retirement he was employed by the Department of Veteran Affairs in Springfield, Ohio. When the WWII memorial was completed in 2004, he began discussing the possibility of visiting the memorial with his WWII Veteran patients. Over time he realized that travel to the memorial was not a feasible plan for most vets due to physical problems or financial issues. Consequently the vets he talked to had given up any hope of seeing the memorial. Earl, who was also a private pilot and a member of the Aero clubs at Wright-Patterson AFB in Dayton, Ohio decided to ask one of his



vet patients if he would like to fly to DC and visit his WWII memorial absolutely free of charge. The patient, a Mr. Loy, was overcome with tears and gladly accepted Earl’s offer. That was in Dec 2004. Earl talked to other pilots who quickly agreed to transport WWII vets free of charge to the DC memorial and to personally escort them around the Washington, DC area. This started the ball rolling and by May 2005, with the help of volunteers and the fund raising efforts of Earl Morse, six small planes flew 12 veterans to the WWII memorial.

The word soon spread to other cities and states and Jeff Miller of Hendersonville, NC began organizing and obtaining funding for a commercial jet to transport groups of local veterans to the memorial. His program for Henderson County was called the Honor Air program. Thus a branch of the HFN was born and many Honor Air programs developed across the country. In 2007, Honor Air out of Hendersonville, NC was the first city in the nation to fly 100 percent of their WWII veterans to the WWII memorial in Washington, DC. Presently there are many participating programs in place with 71 hubs in 30 states. This would not have been possible without the guidance and support of the two Co-Founders of Honor Flight Network – Earl Morse and Jeff Miller.

Local Support: Rotary District 7680, (which includes the Jefferson Rotary club in North Carolina), was the first to receive grant money of \$5000.00 to get the flight of Honor program off the ground. Senators Bob Dole and Elizabeth Dole initially donated \$20,000 to the Honor Air program with the stipulation that Jeff Miller oversee and establish a fund to provide grants to groups flying WWII veterans to Washington, DC from North Carolina. Rotary District 7680 serves 14 counties in the west central region of North Carolina with Charlotte Rotary club being the oldest club in the district. The Jefferson Rotary has helped to sponsor 2 flights over the past year according to a

local rotary member, R.D. Williams. At present there is no information available concerning the number of WWII veterans in Ashe county who have had the opportunity to visit their memorial in DC.

Local support by sponsors have included donations of money, assistance at airports, valet and airport parking, gift cards for vets, snacks for trips just to name a few ways that sponsors have supported the Rotary district of North Carolina. Sponsor names include: Harris Teeter, US Airways, USO, Theragenics Corp., Charlotte Douglas International Airport, Zirez Designs, and the list goes on. The official commercial airline of the Honor Flight Network is Southwest Airlines.

If you are a veteran of WWII or a veteran with a terminal illness and you would like to take a “tour of honor” to visit your WWII memorial, please contact Honor Flight Network (HFN) at 937-521-2400 or email to veteran-application@honorflight.org to download an application form to take an honor flight. No donations will be accepted by WWII veterans. Much more information is available on the www.honorflight.org website. All WWII veterans should have the chance to visit the memorial if they so desire and the Honor Flight Network can make it happen!



Rotary District 7680
SERVING WEST - CENTRAL NORTH
CAROLINA & THE WORLD

Legislative Update



Former Senator Alan Simpson and Clinton White House Chief of Staff Erskine Bowles, co-chairs of the President's Debt Commission, jumped the gun on the Commission's scheduled December report delivery date by announcing their own recommendations early. Under Commission rules, 14 of the 18 commissioners must agree on final recommendations. Apparently, the co-chairs felt achieving that level of consensus on the bipartisan commission would be unlikely, and wanted to make public a sample package to illustrate the drastic sorts of actions that would be needed to address the deficit problem. Their package envisions deep cuts in virtually every category of federal spending, as well as a dramatic simplification of the tax system that would eliminate many popular deductions for homeowner interest, capital gains and more. Proposed initiatives affecting the military and veterans' community would, among many other things:

- Change the CPI to depress COLAs for all federal annuity programs
- Require Medicare beneficiaries to absorb a greater share of health costs
- Impose TRICARE fee hikes and implement enrollment fees for all TRICARE programs
- Reduce COLAs for "early military retirees" (in previous proposals, such wording has meant "before age 60")
- Freeze military and federal civilian pay raises for three years (including housing/subsistence allowances)
- Consolidate commissaries and exchanges
- Eliminate CONUS dependent schools
- Raise the Social Security retirement age to 69 and the early retirement age to 64
- Curtail future Medicare and TRICARE payments to doctors (but stop the immediate 25% cut)
- Require nondisabled vets to pay more to use VA facilities
- Establish legislative requirements for mandatory across-the-board cuts if Congress doesn't act to keep federal spending growth below a specified level

The co-chairs admitted their package, as a whole, would stand little chance of enactment. "America cannot be great if we go broke," the co-chairs said. Any conscientious citizen must be concerned about America's increasingly severe deficit problems. MOAA is determined to ensure that government leaders properly acknowledge government's unique obligation to those who rendered decades of service and sacrifice for the rest of the country, and that any allocation of "shared sacrifice" must recognize that this tiny segment of Americans has already been required to shoulder a vastly disproportional share of national sacrifice. — © 2010 MOAA.

How to Contact Your State and Federal Representatives

Rep. Cullie Tarleton: NC House of Representatives, 16 W. Jones St., Room 2217, Raleigh, NC 27601-1096; Tel.: 919-733-7727; E-mail: Cullie.Tarleton@ncleg.net (To be replaced by Jonathan Jordan next term)

Sen. Steve Goss: NC Senate, 16 W. Jones St., Room 1028, Raleigh, NC 27601-2808; Tel.: (919) 733-5742; E-mail: Steve.Goss@ncleg.net (To be replaced by Dan Soucek next term)

Rep. Virginia Foxx: 1230 Longworth House Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20515; Tel.: 202- 225-207 nc05reply@mail.house.gov

Sen. Kay Hagan: 521 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510; Tel: 202-224-6342

Sen. Richard Burr: 217 Russell Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510; Tel.: 202- 224-3154

TidBits

- **Need to replace a lost service medal?** Requests for replacement medals should be submitted on Standard Form 180, "Request Pertaining To Military Records," which may be obtained at VA offices or the Internet at www.va.gov/vaforms/. Forms, addresses, and other information on requesting medals can be found on the Military Personnel Records section of NPRC's Web site at www.archives.gov/st-louis/military-personnel/index.html. For questions, call Military Personnel Records at (314) 801-0800 or e-mail questions to: MPR.center@nara.gov.

Funny Bone





Navy News

Compiled by Ken Lynn, Col, USAF (Ret) & MOAA Life Member

- Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Gary Roughead was the 16 November keynote speaker at the Hudson Institute where he spoke about 21st Century sea power. Speaking about current responsibilities, Roughead noted that the Navy currently has about 61,000 Sailors deployed and about 40 percent of its ships, submarines and aircraft deployed worldwide. Roughead noted the Navy has an increasingly important role in an age of rapid globalization. He stressed that the Navy not only acts as a military deterrent, but also provides humanitarian assistance and disaster response which reinforces today's Navy as being recognized as a "global force of good."

- Naval Station Norfolk recently hosted a ceremony commemorating the centennial of naval aviation. The Navy's first flight took place on 14 November 1910 when Eugene Ely flew a one-seater Curtis Pusher biplane off the deck of the light cruiser USS Birmingham. The ceremony is the first in a series of events planned to celebrate the centennial. Virginia Senator Mark Warner spoke at the event and Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell issued a proclamation that commended the historic naval achievement.

- The Navy's newest nuclear-powered submarine reached a significant milestone recently as the Virginia-class submarine California was launched from Northrup Gruman's Newport News shipyard. Shipbuilders moved the 78,00-ton ship from the construction facility to the floating dry dock and then submerged the dock into the James River. Tugboats then relocated the California to the shipyard's submarine pier where the final outfitting and testing will take place. Ship sponsor Donna Willard performed the honor of breaking a bottle of American sparkling wine across the submarine's hull. Willard is the wife of Adm. Robert F. Willard, the current commander of the U.S. Pacific Command. The \$2.3 billion submarine is 377 feet long and can dive to depths in excess of 800 feet. California is the eighth ship of the Virginia Class. When delivered to the Navy in 2011, the submarine will have a crew of 134 Sailors.



Marine Corps News

Compiled by Ken Lynn, Col, USAF (Ret) & MOAA Life Member

- The Marine Corps is actively seeking ways to limit the money it spends on acquiring ground combat equipment due to ballooning costs over the last decade. The Corps has a budget of \$2.5 - \$3 billion for ground equipment annually, but the price of equipment has become exponentially more expensive according Lt. Gen. Gorge Flynn who heads the Marine Corps Combat Development Command. The cost to outfit a single Marine has skyrocketed from \$1,500 eight years ago to about \$7,500 today.



- With a strong surge just after the 20-mile mark, Air Force 2Lt. Jacob Bradosky dropped defending champion Navy Lt. Cmdr. John Mentzer, a Marine 1Lt. and a Kenyan civilian, who aspires to join the U.S. military, to win the 35th Marine Corps Marathon in 2 hours 23 minutes 30 seconds. Bradosky, 23, is stationed at Vandenberg Air Force Base. Running in his fifth marathon, his time was a personal best by 20 seconds. The 26.2-mile race, with a record 21,856 finishers, started at the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington and passed the major downtown monuments amidst heightened security because an unknown gunman had fired shots four times in recent weeks at U.S. military sites, including twice at the Marine Corps Museum.



- A company of M1A1 tanks will deploy in mid-December and be employed in Helmund Province, Afghanistan. Although at press time it was unclear which company will deploy, Bravo Company, 2nd Tank Battalion at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina underwent pre-deployment training in California's Mojave desert in the spring and hasn't yet deployed. Tanks were previously used in counterinsurgency operations in Iraq where they blew holes in compound walls and provided long-range surveillance for ground troops. The tanks have advanced optics that can be used to observe Taliban fighters more than four miles away. Approximately 15 vehicles are expected to deploy.

Army News

Compiled by Ken Lynn, Col, USAF (Ret) & MOAA Life Member



- For the first time since its beginning nine years ago, a female soldier has claimed the title of Soldier of the Year for the Army's 2010 Best Warrior Competition. Sgt. Sherri Gallagher from the Army's Marksmanship Unit beat out 11 other competitors from all the Army major commands. Gallagher is one of the top long-range rifle shooters in the country. The Best Warrior competition is a multi-faceted competition of soldiering and this year's events included hand-to-hand combat, urban orienting, detainee operations, casualty evaluation, weapons familiarization and night firing. She fired her first weapon at the age of five and her goal is to make the Olympic Team.

- Staff Sgt Salvatore A. Giunta was presented the Medal of Honor on 16 November by President Obama for extraordinary bravery in the face of nearly certain death. The first living recipient to receive the nation's highest military award since the Vietnam War, Giunta was cited by distinguishing himself through conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his own life above and beyond the call of duty in action with an armed enemy in the Korengal Valley, Afghanistan on 25 October 2007. During the ceremony, the president said, "It is my privilege to present our nation's highest military award to a soldier as humble as he is heroic." The president then went off script and added, "I really like this guy." His remarks were met with laughter and applause from the audience. Seven soldiers have been awarded the Medal of Honor since 2001 and Giunta is the 87th living recipient.



- In the near future, a Soldier's helmet will be an integrated communications center with a heads-up display, night vision, thermal sensors and enhanced hearing. The helmet project is known as the Advanced Technology Objective. Although in a concept phase, the Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center is working hard to make the concept a reality. Army researchers consider the soldier the most powerful weapon in the inventory.



Air Force News

Compiled by Ken Lynn, Col, USAF (Ret) & MOAA Life Member

- Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Norton Schwartz received an honorary membership in the Tuskegee Airmen during a brief ceremony on 9 November 2010 where he was presented with his red jacket. Red was the color that adorned the tails of the Tuskegee Airmen's aircraft, a group of pioneering Airmen who had a nearly perfect record of not losing a bomber they escorted during WWII. General Schwartz joins Gen. Merrill McPeak and Gen. Ronald Fogleman as the only Air Force chiefs of staff to be so recognized.



- The world's largest aviation museum at Wright Patterson AFB has gone virtual as officials recently launched the first phase of a 360-degree interactive tour available on the museum's website <http://www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/>. Visitors can now navigate a little less than half of the exhibits through high-definition, panoramic photographs. The completed tour will be rolled out in phases over the coming months. Included on the tour's main page is access to lectures, audio podcasts and downloadable maps.

- Defense officials have begun exploring fighter technology ideas for a new future fighter aircraft to replace the F-22 Raptor in approximately 2030. Although the Raptor, a fifth generation fighter, has only been in service since 2005, the USAF is already planning for a sixth generation fighter. Interestingly enough, the requirement is for another manned aircraft instead of an unmanned aerial vehicle. A capability needs statement was issued on 3 November and some of the features specified include that the aircraft be a high-tech air defense system able to counter airborne threats; a directed-energy weapon system; an aircraft optimized to work in the missile defense and air interdiction roles; and an aircraft with low-observable stealth technologies that's capable of operating at a range of speeds beyond Mach 2. The current F-22 features a high level of stealth technology and can maintain speeds above Mach 1 without the use of afterburners. At present, 166 of 187 planned Raptors have been delivered to the USAF.

Postcards from Our Town

featuring the Murals of Downtown West Jefferson, NC

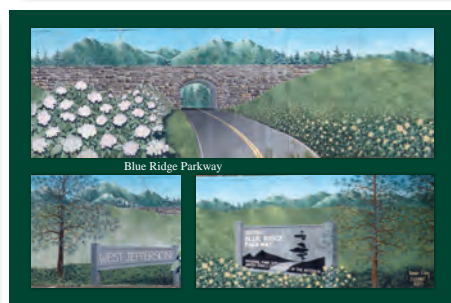
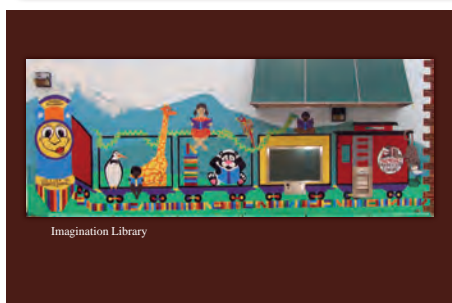
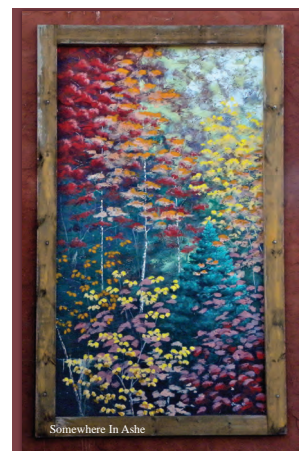


Military Officers Association of America, New River Chapter

newrivermoaa.org

“A project in support of the NRMOAA Scholarship Fund.”

Set of 12 postcards:





New River Chapter

Military Officers Association of America
P.O. Box 1202
Jefferson, NC 28640
www.newrivermoaa.org

Chapter Member Agreement for the Distribution of The **"Murals of Downtown West Jefferson, NC"**

12 Postcard Set

Sponsored by the New River Chapter, MOAA
Proceeds to Benefit the New River Chapter Scholarship Fund

(Members name)

hereby agrees to make the **"Murals of Downtown West Jefferson, NC"** postcards in a 12 card/package set available to interested persons at \$10.00/package as follows:

- The Member will take possession of _____ sets of 12 postcards and will make them available to friends, neighbors, or other interested persons for the purpose of receiving donations to the New River Chapter Scholarship Fund.
- The Member will collect cash or checks in the amount of \$10.00 for each set delivered. In the case of checks, the donor will make the check out to the "Sears Scholarship Fund."
- By this agreement, the Member will remit donations collected in the envelope provided to the New River Chapter upon distribution of all the agreed upon sets. If desired, additional sets can be requested/delivered as needed/required by the Member.

Signed on _____ (date):

Members Signature

For the New River Chapter

Calendar of Events

Regular membership meetings are held at the *West Jefferson Coffee House* on the Backstreet in West Jefferson starting at 1830 hours on the third Tuesday of the following months unless otherwise noted:

- February
- April
- June
- August: Picnic social
- October: Foxx/Kennedy Forum; Annual Mtg. rescheduled
- December: **Holiday social at the Knapp's on 18 December**

Board of Directors meetings are held at the *West Jefferson Coffee House* on the Backstreet in West Jefferson starting at 1830 hours on the third Tuesday of the following months unless otherwise noted:

- January
- March
- May
- July
- September
- November

Want to Comment on Something You Read in the *New River Current*?: Mail your response to: Editor, *New River Current*, P.O. Box 1202, Jefferson, NC 28640...or e-mail the editor at: Lynn001@aol.com. Please keep your comments to no more than 150 words. All responses must include your name, retired/former rank, and/or affiliation.

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