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President's Letter...The April combined MOAA & MOWW Luncheon was a Celebration of the Life of Chaplain William John Houston Jr, CDR, USN "Padre Bill", a corner stone of the Central California Coast Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America. A beautifully prepared and engaging 20-minute audio visual presentation was produced by Erick Wand, a copy of which can be obtained by going to the CCCC MOAA website and clicking on the "Padre Bill's Celebration of Life" link.

This month we will be having two combined MOAA & MOWW Luncheon meetings: first, the PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY Celebration, at Noon on Wednesday, May 15th at 11:30 AM at the San Luis obispo Elks Club, and the second, is on Saturday, May 25th, at 11:00 AM, for our Annual Atascadero Lake Park MOAA & MOWW Picnic.

As explained by Ron Janney, the Peace Officers Memorial Day was created in May of 1961 by Congress and was signed into law by President John F. Kennedy on October 1, 1962. May 15 was designated as the day to honor and pay tribute to local, state, and Federal peace officers who have died in the line of duty. The week during which May 15 falls is designated as Police Week. On May 15, flags should be flown at half-staff to honor the fallen officers of our Nation. There are 34 fallen officers nationwide in 2019 as of this writing.

During Police Week, there are Ceremonies in Washington, DC; Sacramento, and here locally. The Ceremony at the Nation's Capital attracts from 25,000 to 40,000 officers and their families. The Ceremonies include the Blue Mass, Candlelight Vigil, Wreath Laying Ceremony, National Police Survivors' Conference, Honor Guard Competitions, and

the Emerald Society Pipe Band March and Ceremony.

To honor our local Law Enforcement Officers, we selected the Officer of the Year from all agencies in the County and will be presenting a Certificate of Appreciation at the May 15th meeting. This year MOWW reached out to honor a federal law enforcement officer and have selected Special Agent Marni Barton from the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Sincerely, **Capt. Dave**

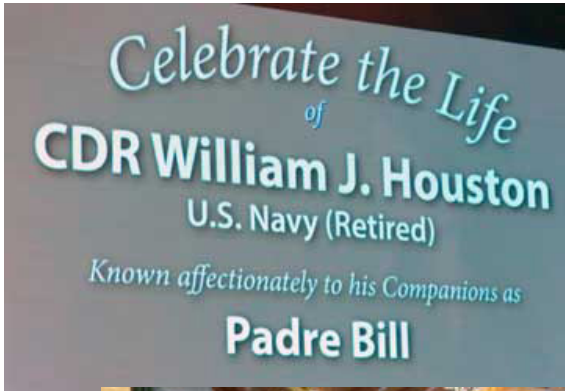
Joint April Luncheon

The April Luncheon was a combined meeting of the MOAA and MOWW (along with MCL680 & the American Legion) at the Madonna Inn to remember and celebrate the life of our friend CDR William Houston, USN (ret) ...aka: Padre Bill. (A memorial celebration had previously been held at the War-

birds Museum in Paso Robles on April 6 arranged by Bill's family.)

A very nice PowerPoint presentation of Bill's life was put together by Erick Wand with photos that were submitted by family and many friends. Bill was a friend to everyone he met and will be greatly missed. He was quite a guy!

Dick Mellinger and Gil Igleheart, the co-founders of Pawsabilities for Veterans, were in attendance as that was one of Bill's favorite groups to support. In recognition of Bill \$200 was donated to them from the MOAA and \$500 from the MOWW. (Individual contributions were collected after the program.)



EARLY PHYSICAL THERAPY FOR NECK PAIN SAVES MONEY, LOWERS OPIOID USE

A study that focused solely on neck pain found that over a year's time patients who waited more than 90 days to see a PT after initial health care consultation for neck pain were 2.79 times more likely to receive an opioid prescription than were patients who met with a PT within 14 days of the index visit. At the end of 1 year, the average adjusted total health care cost for the "early physical therapy" group was \$1,853-less than half the \$4,026 cost associated with the "late physical therapy" group.

www.apta.org/PTinMotion/News/2018/12/04/EarlyPTNeckPain/

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By the time you read this, we will have celebrated Easter, but these words were from Forward Day By Day, a few days before Easter. Easter is the most important time of the Christian season as it identifies the resurrection and rebirth of life! This event was beyond comprehension, but was soon realized as truth. Upon this truth was the beginning of the Christian faith.

1 Corinthians 1:27: But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong.

All of us have weaknesses and limitations---emotional, spiritual, or physical. These characteristics are there for a reason. God's best work is accomplished using, weak, broken, and wounded people to transform communities into forces that can accomplish great things. The core of our Christian life is not what we can offer God but what God can accomplish through us.

Regardless of how imperfect we may be, God does not call the qualified; God qualifies those who are called. When Jesus calls his disciples, some cannot stay awake as Jesus prays, and argue over who will be the greatest. With this band of misfit disciples, Christ builds his church. As we continue this work as Jesus' disciples, we too can be used---even with all our flaws and imitations---to the glory of God and for the love of God's people. Thanks be to God!

James Murphy, Chaplain

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2019 LUNCHEON
PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY**

Where: ELKS LODGE, 222 Elks Lane, San Luis Obispo, CA
Time: 11:30 Social 12:00 Lunch & Program

Name: _____

___# for Lunch (Chef's Choice)___ or (Veggie Plate)_____

Please make your reservations by calling Richard Ennes (805) 227-7138. OR Ken Chapman 805-489-8214. Or make reservations via our Chapter website www.calcoastmoaa.org

Luncheon \$20 per person _____
AUX Member \$15 _____
ROTC Awards Fund \$ _____

Please make checks payable to "CCCC MOAA"

Business Casual or wearing your uniform is encouraged.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

WED. May 15th EXCOM - 11:00 am

"Picnic Planning"

WED. May 15th - 11:30

LUNCHEON

SAT. May 25th - 11:00

Annual MOAA/MOWW Picnic/BBQ

Atascadero Lake Park

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The membership of the Central California Coast Chapter, Military Officers Association of America, in order:

- To inculcate and stimulate love of our Country and our Flag;
- To defend the honor, integrity and supremacy of our National Government and the Constitution of the United States;
- To advocate military forces adequate to the defense of our country and to oppose any influence (whatsoever) calculated to weaken the National Security;
- To foster fraternal relations between all branches of the various services from which our members are drawn;
- To cooperate fully with the various active services in the dissemination of information to the public;
- To aid active and retired personnel of the various services from which our members are drawn, their dependents and survivors, in every proper and legitimate manner;
- To establish these, as the bylaws of the chapter.