With your support, MOAA is helping military families thrive.
It is with great pleasure I introduce the combined MOAA charities annual report, “Never Stop Serving: Giving 2017.” Beginning this year, we will dedicate a portion of the magazine each May to report to you on the outstanding work of your MOAA charities, the MOAA Scholarship Fund and the MOAA Military Family Initiative.

Many of you are familiar with the MOAA Scholarship Fund and the educational assistance it provides each year to approximately 1,700 students in pursuit of higher education. This year marks the 70th anniversary of the MOAA Scholarship Fund. Since 1948, this award-winning MOAA charity has given more than 14,000 deserving military and veteran family children more than $140 million in the form of no-interest loans and grants toward their higher education needs. One hundred percent of every donation goes to a loan or grant for these deserving children. The MOAA Scholarship Fund is a Platinum-rated Guidestar charity, the highest rating given by this leading independent national charity watchdog.

Now in its fourth year of operation, the MOAA Military Family Initiative, a Guidestar Gold charity, provides training and assistance to more than 50,000 military families each year in four areas of vital military and veteran family need: career transition, professional education outreach on military installations across the nation, military spouse professional development, and community outreach through the MOAA council and chapter network. Programs funded through your donations to the MOAA Military Family Initiative have received two “Power of A” Summit Awards from the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE), making MOAA one of only two organizations among ASAE’s 9,200 organizational membership ever to receive two Summit awards.

As you consider your charitable giving this year, I ask you to give generously to your two MOAA charities. Like so many Americans, my wife, Laura, and I strive each year to support charities we believe are having the greatest impact on causes we care about. No cause is higher on our list than the welfare of our nation’s uniformed servicemembers and veterans and their families.

As MOAA members, we understand the high standards reflected in every MOAA program. The MOAA Scholarship Fund and the MOAA Military Family Initiative embody these MOAA standards. What better way to demonstrate our shared commitment to never stop serving than to support their work? Consider a donation today at www.moaa.org/donate.
The MOAA Scholarship Fund and the MOAA Military Family Initiative together represent a high-impact charitable team, built on decades of proven MOAA member experience and commitment and on a profound dedication to serve our nation’s uniformed servicemembers and veterans and their families. Whether through educational assistance for the children of these deserving families, professional development for servicemembers and their spouses, best-in-class assistance from certified subject-matter experts during career transition, or through the outstanding community work of our councils and chapters, MOAA’s two charities deliver top-quality programs and services second to none in our nation.

We are pleased to announce the launch of the Never Stop Serving Leadership Circle. The Never Stop Serving Leadership Circle recognizes the uncommon generosity of a very special group of MOAA contributors who understand the power of these two MOAA charitable subsidiaries working together to serve those who serve and their families.

Every Never Stop Serving Leadership Circle member has donated to both the MOAA Scholarship Fund and the MOAA Military Family Initiative at a significant level. We are proud to honor their commitment in our MOAA charities annual report.
NEVER STOP SERVING
LEADERSHIP CIRCLE

The Never Stop Serving Leadership Circle recognizes those very special individual, council, and chapter contributors who have made combined, non-bequest donations, over any time period, totaling at least $1,000 to both MOAA charities—the MOAA Scholarship Fund and the MOAA Military Family Initiative—and who have donated at least $500 to each charity.

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Platinum circle members have contributed a combined total of $25,000 or more.

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A Lifetime of Giving to Support Military Families

Col. Arville L. Hickerson, USA (Ret), and his wife of 38 years, Elizabeth R. Hickerson, epitomize the enduring spirit of MOAA’s motto, “never stop serving.” Before Betty’s death in 2008, she and Arv established multiple designated scholarships (each requiring a $25,000 contribution) to provide grants through MOAA’s Scholarship Fund to children in military and veteran families. Since then, Arv has funded several additional designated scholarships, for a total of five.

In 2015, with a donation of $50,000 to MOAA’s Military Family Initiative, Arv became one of only two MOAA Heritage Society Platinum Members. Arv has committed to a planned gift to the MOAA Scholarship Fund that will raise the Hickersons’ total lifetime giving to both MOAA charities to more than $400,000.

We are deeply grateful to Arv and Betty for their extraordinary generosity and for significantly advancing the missions of the MOAA Scholarship Fund and the MOAA Military Family Initiative, helping uniformed servicemembers and veterans and their families.

Arv graduated from Dartmouth College in 1956 with a degree in Engineering Sciences, made possible through a combination scholarship/loan, renewable annually, that covered half his tuition — precisely the kind of financial assistance offered by the MOAA Scholarship Fund. He entered the Army upon graduation and, through a second scholarship, earned a master’s degree in mechanical engineering from Dartmouth while on unpaid leave from the Army. Over the course of the next three decades, Arv served in multiple command assignments, was a special forces instructor at the U.S. Army Infantry School, and served 27 consecutive months in combat with the 1st Air Cavalry Division, encompassing eight designated campaigns. He received six valor decorations, including the Purple Heart.

He married Betty in 1970 while attending Army Command and General Staff College and later served as a battalion commander in the 2nd Infantry Division in South Korea. He attended the National War College and ended his career with tours of duty on the Army staff and with the U.S. Army Inspector General’s office. He retired in 1983.

During her career and following her marriage to Arv, Betty Hickerson served with the federal government in a series of increasingly important positions, highlighted by service in the Office of the Secretary of Defense NATO Standing Group, as the Secretary of Defense’s missile program staff liaison with the White House, and secretary to the Air Force General Counsel, for which she received the Air Force Meritorious Civilian Service medal.

We are honored to recognize retired Army Col. Arville L. Hickerson and the late Elizabeth R. Hickerson as founding members of the Never Stop Serving Leadership Circle — for their lifetime of giving, devoted to educating military family children and supporting military families to ensure they can enjoy a quality of life earned through their selfless service to our nation.
With the MOAA Scholarship Fund celebrating its 70th anniversary in 2018, this is a great time to reflect on how this successful program has grown, the wonderful donors and students who make the program work, and the possibilities that lie ahead.

In 1948, MOAA’s board of directors identified a need to help children in military families meet the costs of higher education. Fundraising began, and the fund issued its first loan in 1949, for $500. The program since has expanded to include planned giving, the Designated Scholarship program (1983), charitable gift annuities (1999), and the American Patriot program (2001). To date, the MOAA Scholarship Fund has provided more than 14,000 students with $140 million in educational assistance.

None of this could have been accomplished without MOAA’s members, who support us in a myriad of ways. We receive new designated scholarships almost every month. Likewise, every month or so I receive a call from an attorney or financial advisor notifying me a member is leaving us funds through their estate plan. Others use our charitable gift annuity program to support a loved one while also supporting our program.

The support translates directly into more educational assistance to children in military families: More than 700 students now receive both a loan and a grant each school year, through our designated scholarship. Our American Patriot program provides a $5,000 grant each year to students whose parent died on active duty or is receiving Servicemembers’ Group Life Insurance Traumatic Injury Protection (TSGLI). Over the years, we have provided more than $3 million in this type of assistance.

Our program is unique: We provide interest-free loans, which we recycle as students repay their obligation, and we use 100 percent of all donations for financial assistance. These are the two most widely cited reasons for supporting the fund, according to the donors and chapter leaders I meet across the country. In this job, I have made donor friends in California, Florida, Maryland, Minnesota, Nevada, North Carolina, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, Washington, Virginia, and most of New England. Many of these donors make connections with students and are so pleased to hear from “their” student and learn about their goals, progress, and successes.

Looking ahead, MOAA is carefully watching the new tax law and its implications, seeking new avenues of support, stewarding our investments, and working to ensure another 70-plus years of MOAA Scholarship Fund success. I welcome your suggestions and insight as we work to support our membership and these wonderful students.

I thank you for supporting me in my role as development director over the last five years, and I look forward to more fulfilling years as the fund’s executive director. With the guidance of MOAA’s board of directors, the work of our great staff, and your financial support, we will never stop serving these students from military families.

Andrea Rand
Executive Director,
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Donate to both charities at www.moaa.org/donate.
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The Legacy Circle comprises donors who have chosen to include the MOAA Scholarship Fund in their estate planning.

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Jim Huffman was raised in the Air Force, until he quit college to join the Army in 1966. He served two tours in Vietnam and retired from the Army as a lieutenant colonel in 1988. Jim and Dagmar met and were married in Monterey, Calif., while he was attending Vietnamese language school en route to his second tour in Vietnam.

Their oldest son, Kylan, graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., in 1994 and was a lieutenant in the Navy when he was killed in Iraq in August 2003. After Kylan was killed, Jim and Dagmar started a program in 2003 to fund a designated scholarship to honor Kylan’s memory. In 2015, they established a second designated scholarship in memory of Dagmar’s first husband, who was killed in action in Vietnam.

“We really appreciate it when we receive letters … letting us know who the recipients for our scholarships are and then look forward to getting the letter from each recipient and seeing what their plans are, what they have to say, and if they have done any research on the two men in whose name the scholarships have been established. We have continued to correspond with one of our first scholarship recipients … and find it very rewarding to know she is now finishing her last year of medical school.”

Lt. Col. Jim Huffman, USA (Ret)
### Scholastic Fund

**MOAA Charities Annual Report**

### Sources and Uses of the MOAA Scholarship Fund

#### Sources and Uses of Cash Summary 2017

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#### Sources in Excess of Uses

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Bill Riley graduated from Oregon State College in 1956 with a Bachelor of Science in agriculture, a minor in dairy husbandry, and a commission in the Air Force Reserve. He reported for active duty in the Air Force in May 1957.

He spent nine years at Travis AFB, Calif., performing duties in various flying squadrons and as the base fuels officer. At Travis AFB, Riley was integrated in the regular Air Force. Subsequent assignments included staff fuels officer with the United States Advisory Group/Military Assistance Command Thailand and the Air Force Advisory Office, Tan Son Nhut, Vietnam, where he was advisor to the senior Vietnam air force fuels officer. His final assignment was as chief of the Joint Petroleum Office, Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii. He retired from military service in 1981. After his military retirement, Riley spent more than 13 years working with the Peace Corps in Guatemala as a livestock technician. Riley and his wife, Barbara, have three children: Michael, a Navy commander; Victor; and Wendy Heintz, who lives in New York and flies with Delta Airlines.

“When I attended college 65 years ago, tuition was $165 a year at Oregon State College, and jobs were available both during the school year and the summers so that one could easily work their way through college and graduate debt-free. This is no longer true. ... My wife and I both feel that a college education can make a huge difference in a person’s life. We have both been very fortunate in our lives and are proud to be able to provide at least some financial support to deserving students.”

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Buck Marr received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Arkansas and a Master of Science from Troy State University, Ala. His military career includes two Pentagon tours and command of two air wings, a provisional wing, and the former Air Mobility Warfare Center. He participated in the Desert Storm and Balkan conflicts. A command pilot, he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with nine oak leaf clusters flying special operations missions in Vietnam. His final assignment was as chief of staff, Joint Forces Command, Norfolk NAS, Va. After retiring from the Air Force, he was a director with General Dynamics Corp., a vice president with Lockheed Martin Corp., and a defense consultant.

Buck and Sherry met in 1968 at a University of Arkansas football game and were married following his service in Vietnam, through “13 PCSs, 18 mailing addresses, and two terrific sons,” as Buck puts it. They now live in Montana and Washington to be near their sons’ families and particularly their grandchildren.

“Sherry and I subscribe to the tradition of ‘veterans helping veterans.’ The military community has a heritage of each generation honoring past generations while supporting the current generation of active veterans and their families. With that in mind, the focus of our annual giving plan is to support as many families. With that in mind, the focus of our annual giving plan is to support as many

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Continuing a Legacy of Service

The late Lt. Col. Alan Harcus, USA, retired after 32 years in the Medical Service Corps.

Dr. Krystal Tomei, the daughter of a retired Air Force officer, is an award-winning pediatric neurologist.

Although the two never met, their lives — each devoted to serving in the field of medicine — intersected in a significant way through MOAA’s Scholarship Fund.

When Harcus died 35 years ago, his widow, Ramona Harcus Pease, “wanted to do something special in his memory” and worked with MOAA to establish the Harcus Designated Scholarship.

“I know that getting a college education is not easy,” says Pease, a retired teacher. “Everyone needs to have a good education if they want to get along in the world."

Tomei says the Harcus Designated Scholarship helped her finish her bachelor’s degree at the University of Florida without any debt, “which significantly eased the financial burden of medical school.”

She grew up moving around the U.S. in a military family and is an example of the impact of the 70-year-old MOAA Scholarship Fund. Since 1948, the fund has provided $140 million in educational assistance to more than 14,000 students from military families.

“Last year, we gave out about $8 million in interest-free loans and $1.2 million in grants/scholarships to 1,700 students,” says Andrea Rand, executive director of the fund.

After Tomei’s 2006 graduation from the University of Florida School of Medicine, she completed residency training in neurological surgery, earned a master’s degree in public health from the Harvard School of Public Health, and did a pediatric neurosurgery fellowship.

She is now the Reinberger Endowed Director of Pediatric Neurological Surgery at Rainbow Babies & Children’s Hospital in Cleveland and an assistant professor of neurological surgery at Case Western Reserve School of Medicine.

Tomei chose the field “because of how my family was impacted when my cousin suffered a traumatic brain injury,” she says. “I was fascinated by the brain and the ability of a child to recover.”

Biographies of designated scholarship honorees are featured on MOAA’s website, and donors receive letters from recipients, something that brings joy to Pease. “It makes me grateful that they’re thankful for the scholarship,” she says.

Rand hears similar stories from many donors. “The MOAA Scholarship Fund’s Designated Scholarship program is a wonderful way to connect our donors to our students,” she says.

As for Pease, 89, she still donates to the MOAA Scholarship Fund each year: “It makes me feel good that I’m making a difference in people’s lives.”

— By Judy Christie

“I know that getting a college education is not easy. Everyone needs to have a good education if they want to get along in the world.”

— Ramona Harcus Pease

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In late 2017, I was honored to become executive director of the MOAA Military Family Initiative (MMFI), the MOAA charitable foundation. I have had the privilege of working for MOAA for almost nine years and have witnessed firsthand the positive impact our MMFI-funded programs have on the military community.

In our first three years of operation, our foundation has experienced considerable success in a number of areas of critical military family need, thanks to our donors.

- The MMFI achieved Guidestar Gold status this year, the second-highest rating awarded by this nationally respected, independent nonprofit watchdog.
- Through a major USAA grant and collaboration with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce’s “Hiring Our Heroes” program, MOAA’s Military Spouse Professional Development program was able to establish itself in 2017 as a national leader in this sector.
- In May, the MMFI launched its Community Outreach Grant Program, providing grants to MOAA councils and chapters engaged in high-impact community service.
- We received a significant grant from the Democracy Fund — our second — to conduct a worldwide absentee voting survey of military families and issue a national report June 30, 2018.

Along with these benchmark successes, we’ve faced a few challenges, and in 2017, revenue fell short of our goal, for the first time since our inception. We have already taken steps to replace this revenue in the year ahead.

Our goal in 2018 is to build on our major successes to increase contributions in all categories and showcase the lasting, positive impact our programs are having on military and veteran families. Throughout the upcoming year, you will hear firsthand — through Military Officer magazine, MOAA’s Facebook and Twitter channels, and The MOAA Newsletter — how your donations are helping ensure our nation’s military and veteran families enjoy a quality of life they have earned through their selfless service to America.

As always, thank you for your continuing support.

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Jennifer Goodale

Jennifer Goodale graduated from the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill and was commissioned into the Marine Corps through the ROTC program. Upon completion of the Basic School and the Basic Communication Officer Course, she served with the 9th Communication Battalion, deploying twice as a platoon commander in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

After separating from active duty, Jennifer began serving the military community through work at a nonprofit organization. She is married to an active duty Marine major and has two daughters.

“Military spouses face unique challenges when it comes to employment. Not only does MOAA fight to improve the employment landscape for spouses, they also provide resources specifically designed for military spouses with career goals. This organization is committed to serving the entire military family, not just the servicemember.”

— Jennifer Goodale

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“I am forever grateful to the MOAA transition team, who taught me how to drop my old tools and pick up new ones to mold the next phase of my career.”

— Lt. Col. Michelle Digruttolo, USA (Ret)
MOAA’s Luke Chapter was chartered in January 1980 in Sun City West, Ariz., and takes its name from nearby Luke AFB. The chapter’s first president was Col. James Conine, USA (Ret). For more than a decade, the chapter annually has donated hundreds of cans of food around Christmastime for active duty military families at Luke AFB.

Last year, with the help of a Community Outreach grant from MMFI, the chapter was able to expand its food-relief program to include the 2017 Thanksgiving season, providing commissary cards enabling 30 junior enlisted families in need of food assistance to purchase a turkey or ham for their holiday celebration. Chapter members Col. Jerry Wojtas, USA (Ret), and Pam Wojtas (above, left and center), were present when the food and commissary cards were distributed.

“[They] reported many smiling and happy faces of folks as they lined up and received the items making their Thanksgiving brighter. The families were very grateful to receive the food assistance.”

— Luke AFB Chapter President Col. Michael Kramer, USAF (Ret)