



General William Smallwood Chapter & Southern Maryland Chapter
Military Officers Association of America
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The Smallwood Crier

Year 49 No. 2 – April 2025



Dear Friends and Fellow Members of the General Smallwood Chapter & Southern Maryland Chapter,

1. Spring has sprung. Our last meeting's speaker was Cheryl Glang the MOAA Maryland Council of Chapters Surviving Spouse Liaison. She spoke about Preparing for Survivorship. I heard that it was a very informative meeting.
2. I hosted the Maryland Council of Chapters on April 12th at the VFW in Waldorf.
3. Our next meeting will be April 19th at 11:30 am at the VFW Post in Waldorf. Our guest speaker will be LCDR Patrick Baker, USN. He is the Department Head of Behavioral Health at NMRTC Patuxent River. His subject will be "Embracing Stress". LCDR Baker was our 2024 recipient of the ADM O'Neill Award. The meal will be served at noon by the VFW Auxiliary for \$20 paid at the door. Bring a dessert to share if you can. **Please call or text Lesa Juday at 804-536-5862 to RSVP by April 15th.**
4. **Dues are Due.** Dues of \$20 for 2025 were due on 1 January. If you have not paid yet, please bring your \$20 check made out to General Smallwood Chapter MOAA to our meeting or mail to our Treasurer Don Fincham, 45843 Belvoir Rd, Great Mills, MD 20634. His cell phone number is 252-725-5916 for texting. The dues help pay for our support of the 13 JROTC programs in our Southern Maryland area.
5. **Activities:**
Meeting – April 19, 2025 - VFW Post 8810, 2310 Old Washington Rd., Waldorf, MD
Picnic – June 14, 2025
6. **Board meeting** will be held after the regular meeting on April 19th.
7. **Dates to Remember:**
20 April – Easter
08 May – VE Day
11 May – Mother's Day
17 May – Armed Forces Day
26 May – Memorial Day

I look forward to seeing everyone on April 19th.

Respectfully,

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