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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

As we start our new year many of us have more questions than answers. Last week I took a short road trip to goat rock and sat in the parking lot overlooking the ocean. As I looked out over the water into a white haze that laid over the water, it was interesting how little detail I could

see out in the distance. The water was calm but the sun reflecting off the water created a bright haze and there was nothing to see. I wanted to know what was out there beyond the waves crashing into the shore.

It is much the same as I look into what lies ahead for the rest of this new year. We all face many challenges with many unknowns. This is going to make it challenging for us to maintain close personal relationships as we continue with our monthly activities. We know that that this means that we will not be able to gather in person as we normally would. We will continue to reach out to one another through our regular zoom meetings. I know that sitting in front of a computer screen is not my first choice when I want to relate with my fellow members, but I feel it is very important that we all make an effort to reach out to one another.

I feel that the relationships we have developed through our MOAA are important. It is important to remember that this organization is more than a social club. It's a national organization formed to recognize and support the needs of its members. Your board members are committed to strengthen and build a strong community of retired military members.

Major Kenneth Johnson, USAF, President
408-466-6764 ~ kenthetraveler@gmail.com

"Sunshine Lady"

Call Myrna Hurst, 707-468-0146,
if you know of anyone in the chapter who
might enjoy a get well or sympathy card.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022

**Buffet Luncheon at the
EPICENTER in Santa Rosa
11:00am ~ Lunch at Noon**

At the time of this publication we do not have a guest speaker. See Page No. 5 for Menu and reservation info.

PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR DINING, this is needed for head counts for meals and making name tags.

Redwood Empire Chapter member CPT WILLIAM ANDERSON, USA

**Is offering his service to
members and veterans in need.**

He realizes that the country is presently going through a rough time, because of the present COVID-19 virus and shelter in place, there are a lot of people with many different needs. He is offering to our members and any veterans organizations his help.

As a landlord he can repair many house issues for our their members. **FREE!** They only need to pay for parts.

He can transport supplies. He lives in Santa Rosa. He owns 57 properties in this state alone and is his own maintenance service. He does many kinds of things.

Anyone can call him and he will give you more details.

Call: William Anderson at 707-331-0366

TIME TO PAY YOUR CHAPTER DUES

See Page No. 2, for more information

65%

Of our members have already renewed their dues.
We do not want to lose any of our present members.

Dues are only \$25.00 per year. If anyone is having trouble paying your dues please let us know.

We can help you stay with us.

ZOOM ~ MOAA BOARD MEETING

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Tuesday, February 1, 2022, 11:30am. Tim Morgan will be sending information on how to join the meeting. If a member of the Chapter wishes to join the meeting, you must contact us by e-mail and we will give you the information needed.

Chapter members are always welcome at these meetings.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The application period for COL William G. Brey Scholarships opened on January 1, 2022, and will close on March 15, 2022. Closing date is firm. Those eligible to apply for scholarship assistance are children, wards, and lineal descendants (including grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren, natural or adopted) of living or deceased officer, warrant officer, or auxiliary members of the Chapter. Scholarship eligibility is limited to those pursuing undergraduate academic and professional certificate programs. Applications will not be accepted for support of graduate studies.

Our experience is that it can take some time for prospective applicants to gather all the required supporting documentation, then prepare and submit the completed application before the cutoff date. We therefore recommend that Chapter members advise eligible family members of scholarship availability and contact information early enough to give them sufficient reaction time.

Application forms are available. They may be obtained by writing to:

Secretary, Redwood Empire Chapter, MOAA
P. O. Box 2801
Santa Rosa, CA 95405-0801

or by directly contacting Scholarship Committee Chairman:

Susan Linch
4825 Glencannon Street,
Santa Rosa, CA 95405-7911 – Phone: (707)538-3342
or e-mail: srmomx5@comcast.net

Susan will provide them immediately to all interested parties by fastest means available.

THE COL BREY SCHOLARSHIP AND MERIT AWARDS HAVE BEEN REVISED TO REFLECT GRADES, MERIT, AND HUMANITY!!! IT IS OPEN TO:

High school seniors or High school graduates

- to pursue a college degree
- to enroll in a professional training program such as fire prevention, electrician, police protection, auto mechanics, culinary school, or comparable training programs.
- college undergraduates
- previous applicants of the Brey Scholarship

The Brey Scholarship is limited to a maximum of **two** awarded scholarships per applicant.

“GOOD SPEAKERS ARE NEEDED”

Chapter members:

Who do you want to hear from?
Please send your suggestions to
Don Nowacki, (707)528-2895,
or by e-mail: nowacki@sonic.net

“R.I.C.E.W.”

by Ken Johnson

Please join us as we start an in person event for all our Chapters MOAA members. No agenda, just a place and a time where we can gather and share a beer or two and talk about items of interest to all of us. We have been looking for a place that is easy for all of us to get to, and someplace that's quiet so we can gather in our own little corner and just talk and have time together. We have chosen to have our event at the **Graton Resort & Casino**, in Rohnert Park. They have several restaurants but the one I like is called the **Daily Grill**. It has both indoor and outdoor seating and a very nice menu. They have three large parking lots so there's plenty of room for parking.

We will try again to meet on the third Tuesday, at 11:30am, February 15th. **NOTE: This is not just for the guys, the wives or spouses are more than welcome.** Our time and date for future meetings will be up to the needs of interested members. This is just the start of a fun way to get together and have great times together. A few of our members had a good time doing this by **ZOOM** meetings in the past. However I'm open to any input and suggestions, so call me if you have any questions at 408-466-6764.

REMEMBER TO PAY YOUR DUES FOR 2022

Dues notices were sent out by mail, with a return envelope. Unfortunately the wrong Dues Date was on the form (2023). Dues being collect are for the year **2022**. As of this publication about 65% of our members have already renewed their membership. Deadline is March 1st and you could be dropped after that date.



Legislative Affairs Update

February 2022

Federal:

2022 NDAA. While the NDAA has been signed, there are still several issues the National MOAA considers priorities. Remember, the NDAA authorizes an item - it does not necessarily fund. Therein is Catch 22.

Revision of Arlington National Cemetery Eligibility. NDAA signed did not revisit the proposed eligibility provisions for burial at ANC. However, an amendment can change this if all take an interest and call their legislators through the MOAA toll free number 866 272-6622.

Young Adult Health Coverage Act. This measure would align dependent children up to age 26 more closely to civilian health care plans - not the proposed \$500.00 month.

Concurrent Receipt - aka Major Richard Star Act. This legislative proposal would provide for full retirement benefits for those injured in combat and forced to retire before twenty years off service. Although it has received adequate support, it appears that it might not "make to cut" when the NDAA gets finalized because counter balancing budget line has not been found. Bummer!

The Military Retiree Survivor Comfort Act. Financial concerns and stress can be a terrible burden on top of an already stressful situation for a newly widowed spouse. For some, when they discover DFAS may take part or all of that last retirement check back, it can be an overwhelming event. These bills will allow survivors to gradually repay the amount over the next 12 months and have an opportunity to request for debt forgiveness through DoD.

State

Friends, we are now facing two major items affecting us all and really need your maximum support.

First, is **AB 1623 Personal Income Taxes: Exclusion: Uniformed Services Retirement Pay: Survivor Benefit Plan Payments.** As been mentioned during the past several months, exclusion of military retired pay as well as surveyor payments will be excluded from state income taxes after age 60 starting in 2023. This bill has been introduced by Assemblyman James Ramos from the 40th District. You might like to look at the bill - the link is: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB1623. To get us to where we are today with this bill, a tremendous effort has been made by our CALMOAA Leadership.

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**CalMOAA Pres. Fred Green** sent me a draft copy of the talking points which should be introduced with the bill as follows:

### **"Draft Fact Sheet**

#### **Summary**

AB 1623 will provide a state tax exemption for retired members of the uniformed services at age 60. This bill will also exempt recipients of the Department of Defense's (DoD) Survivor Benefits Program. Since uniform services and California National Guard retirement pay stops upon death of the retiree, the DoD provides a continuous lifetime annuity for their dependents

as an inflation-adjusted monthly income

### **Background**

California currently is one of only nine states that fully tax the pay of its 146,000 military retirees. Many factors affect the decision of members of the Armed Forces regarding where they will live after retirement. Climate, housing costs, where they have been based, and employment opportunities are important. Whether or not a state taxes their military pension benefits is also a factor. Between 2000 and 2016, the nation's population of military retirees increased by 17%. California, which was one of only five states that saw a reduction in the number of its military retirees, saw a decline of 17%. By 2025, after ten years of implementation, the economic gains for California would be substantial:

- 12,600 more jobs
- \$830 million added to total personal income
- \$1.27 billion added to GSP
- \$2.0 billion added to total business sales

A total of 31 states do not tax military pensions. A total of 9 states, including California, fully tax military retiree compensation: California, Georgia, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Virginia. The remaining 10 states have various special exemptions depending on the state. Factors Driving the Number of Military Retirees in Each State and Growth. The decision of military retirees on where to live depends on many economic and other factors.

The 40 plus year old retirees by homes, pay taxes, virtually no cost to the state social systems. They have few children enrolled in schools. Uniform Retirees and the California National Guard continue to contribute to their community and the state.

This bill will benefit those who have served our country in uniform as well as surviving spouses and dependent minors of military retirees and will also benefit the state and local economies by attracting and retaining skilled workforce participants

### **This Bill**

AB 1623 recognizes the vital services these uniformed service members contribute to our nation and seeks to extend a state benefit to those who served for twenty years, which is the retirement age for these organizations. This bill also recognizes our state National Guard and their services to our state especially during these trying times during the pandemic. This bill provides that the exemption benefit begins at 60 years of age and the exemption sunsets in 2033.

The purpose of the bill is twofold; to honor those who dedicated their life to serving their country, and to retain and attract uniformed service retirees to California for the purposes of strengthening the state's skilled workforce, bringing stability to communities, and contributing to the state and local tax base. Uniformed service retirees invariably pursue a second career, and it behooves California to find ways to keep them in our state.

Currently, a top issue for employers in California is attracting a qualified workforce. Approximately 60,000 high-tech jobs are unfilled. Uniformed Service retirees are highly skilled, often in areas requiring technical and management expertise. These men and women often continue to be valuable assets to our schools, local charities, and non-profit organizations.

Substantial new federal funds are infused into the state and local economies not only from retirement pay, but also from the full taxation of their second careers. These retirees may also qualify for federal veterans' benefits, which further bring new monies into the state."

So, where do we go from here, let's pick up the ball as it lays and start running with it. Probably, I will be using email since I have already contacted my State Senator and Assemblyman on this subject and the attachment has been reduced to essentially one page. The addresses you need are in the November Voice. Call me if you have any questions.

**Second item - AB 1400 Guaranteed Health Care for All.** This is very possibly a biggie for all military retirees, veterans, spouses of active duty personnel working in California as they accompany them on their assignment and others because TriCare for Life and TriCare as we know it because the State will take over Medicare, Veteran's health benefits - currently federally funded.

According from an email from Jeff Brieton with the following excerpts shows that AB 1400 seems to be going forward with tons of support. It cleared the Health Committee yesterday and is enroute to Appropriations Committee. It must have a floor vote by 31 January or it will die. There is an immediate need to call legislators and ask them to NOT support AB 1400 and leave your Medicare alone (it also impacts TriCare for Life and TriCare).

Teachers Union , nurses, labor groups and several large cities all voiced support of the bill, we will have a single payer health care in CA that is administered by the State. Medicare will no longer exist in CA and the **State will decide on your doctor and what specialized treatment you may receive.** They discussed getting a Section waiver for the state to receive Medicare funds, which sounded easy to do but would take two (2) years to accomplish.

They are proposing a 1% payroll tax on all making over \$49,000.00 a year and an additional personal income tax for those earning (joint filers) \$150,000 or more to fund the state single payer health care program.

All Californian's, **regardless of immigration status** will receive health care under the program, plans like FED-VIP, Medicare supplements and Tri-Care for life will not be accepted in CA. There is some who believe it may result in closure of VA hospitals for our vets as no need for VA hospitals in California under a single payer health care system. If you retired from an agency that contributes to your health care after retirement those payments would cease under AB 1400. There are questions if you travel out of state and are hospitalized if that out of state hospital will accept Califor-

nia's state run insurance reimbursement rates.

Now is the time to call and e-mail your assembly member and state senator and voice your opposition to this bill, this is on track for approval, although it would take 2 to 3 years to implement. Once approved you will not be able to stop this train, call and email and share with family and friends asking them to also reach out to their legislators.

Although the bill will probably go to, Appropriations Committee, all is not lost! Not all legislators are in favor of this bill - one big reason is that it will require a BIG tax increase to fund it and which bill is in the shadows - not having passed anything. Therefore, the bill as it sits and if passed, will be like the NDAA; authorizes but does not fund like. This is truly legislative "quackery". Keep tuned!

**Vern McNamee, LTC, USA Retired  
Legislative Chair  
Redwood Empire Chapter, MOAA (CA30)**

## TRICARE Pharmacy

**TRICARE Pharmacy:** Co-pays increased effective January 1, 2022. MTF pharmacies remain at zero cost.

For further information, visit <https://www.tricare.mil/costs>

- **Home Delivery** (up to 90-day supply):

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| Generic formulary    | \$12.00 |
| Brand-name formulary | \$34.00 |
| Non-formulary        | \$68.00 |
- **Retail network** (up to 30-day supply):

|                      |         |
|----------------------|---------|
| Generic formulary    | \$14.00 |
| Brand-name formulary | \$38.00 |
| Non-formulary        | \$68.00 |

## CALLING CARDS

Below is a **SAMPLE** of a Calling Card that is available and can be made in sheets of 10. You can make your own design and arrangement on the card.

If a Chapter members has a need for this type card, please contact your Chapter Secretary for more information or to order a set.

Robert Safreno, Secretary  
Home: 707-795-3963 ~ Cell: 707-479-9374  
E-mail: shadowbob1@juno.com



Chapter WEB site:  
[www.redwoodempiremoaa.us](http://www.redwoodempiremoaa.us)

## RANK FIRST LAST, SERVICE

Chapter Officer, etc.

E-mail Address

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MOAA, REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER

POST OFFICE BOX 2801

C: XXX-XXX-XXXX

SANTA ROSA, CA 95405-0801

(A Sonoma County Main Chapter event; all members are more than welcome)

## Buffet Luncheon, Thursday February 24, 2022

**Epicenter, 3215 Coffey Lane, Santa Rosa**

Socializing 11:00 to 11:45 am, Meeting starts, Lunch 12:00 noon

Cost (including tax and tip) - **Price \$26.00**

**Salad:** Caesar Salad. Fresh Rolls & Butter.

**Lunch:** Chili Dogs, Chicken Tenders and Fries. Fruit Salad

**Dessert:** Cookies. Water, Iced Tea, Hot Tea and Coffee

**Enclosed:** is my check for my advanced reservation \_\_\_\_\_ persons @ \$26.00 each. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** All must make **RESERVATIONS** Please Pre Pay if possible. (Late options only **Pay At Door**). **Information** is needed for head counts for meals and making name tags.

**NO RESERVATION or Walk-Ins will cost \$30.00 per person.**

**Donations:** Col. Brey Scholarship Fund (Fully Tax Deductible). \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Guest Speaker: *None at time of this publication*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_, Phone: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Guests: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the names of all guest, so that we can make **NAME TAGS** for them too, thank you.

Make check (s) payable to: **RECMOAA**

To: MOAA, Redwood Empire Chapter, P.O. Box 2801, Santa Rosa, CA 95405  
"Contact the Chapter Secretary @ 707-795-3963, prior to 10:00am, Tuesday  
before the Thursday event to request a refund on prepaid meals."

## Passport Renewal

### Update 01: DOD Personnel, Families Can Renew Online

Active-duty, reserve and retired service members, and Defense Department civilians and contractors and their families will soon be able to renew their U.S. passports online, according to the State Department. The online portal, which became available 23 DEC, will enable customers to renew their passports from the convenience of their homes 24/7 without having to go to a post office to mail their application and supporting documents, an official said. The requirements include:

- The most recent passport is or must have been valid for 10 years. It's OK if the passport is expired.
- Children under the age of 16 cannot renew their passports.
- The passport was issued over nine years ago (2012), but less than 15 years ago (2006).
- No changes were made with respect to name, gender or other personal information, such as date or place of birth.
- No travel internationally can be made within three weeks of the date of renewal. The State Department will offer routine (8-11 weeks) and expedited processing (5-7 weeks).
- Online applications may be for a passport book only; passport cards may not be requested online.
- Applications must be for regular (tourist) passports only. Special issuance diplomatic or official passports may not be renewed online.

- Applicants must live in the United States.
- Applicants must have the passport in their possession, and it cannot be damaged or mutilated.
- An applicant can pay for a passport using a credit/debit card or an automated clearinghouse payment transferring funds from a bank account.
- Applicants can upload a digital photo in the .JPEG file format.

Applicants who don't meet all of these requirements may still be eligible to renew by mail or in-person, the official said. The State Department will send a confirmation email with more instructions after those interested [preregister](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe4qBPglziTAAb5lokDkXZypT799tFleg81Vc3-CXAh7zNo-w/viewform?source=GovDelivery) by going to <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe4qBPglziTAAb5lokDkXZypT799tFleg81Vc3-CXAh7zNo-w/viewform?source=GovDelivery>. Preregistration does not obligate those interested to renew online. Registrants will receive email updates and a customized link based on a registrant's individual email address to access the online portal.

Interested parties will have the flexibility to renew online over a six-month period through June 30, 2022, the official said. For any additional information, contact the State Department at [pptmandi@state.gov](mailto:pptmandi@state.gov). [Source: DoD News | David Vergun | December 21, 2021 ++]

Source is [RAO BULLETIN 1 January 2022](#)

## 2022 DATES TO REMEMBER\*

\*COVID-19 Virus could change all these events and dates!

### January – 2022

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dues for 2022 are now due for the year. \$25.00
- 4<sup>th</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am (ZOOM)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information.
- 18<sup>th</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
- 26<sup>th</sup> United Veterans Council meeting
- 27<sup>th</sup> Luncheon, **Epicenter** – Installation of Officers

### February:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Proposed target date to publish the 2022 Roster
- \*\* 1<sup>st</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am (ZOOM)
- 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information
- 15<sup>th</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
- \*\* 23<sup>rd</sup> United Veterans Council meeting
- \*\* 24<sup>th</sup> Luncheon, **Epicenter**

### March:

- 1<sup>st</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am
- 1<sup>st</sup> Members who have not paid 2022 dues may be **dropped**.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information
- 15<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission Scholarship Applications
- 15<sup>th</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
- \*\* 23<sup>rd</sup> United Veterans Council meeting
- \*\* 24<sup>th</sup> Luncheon, **Epicenter**

### April:

- 5<sup>th</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am – Scholarship winners
- 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information
- 19<sup>th</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
- 27<sup>th</sup> Luncheon, **Epicenter**
- 28<sup>th</sup> United Veterans Council meeting

### May:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am – Scholarship winners
- 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information
- \*\* 14<sup>th</sup> Armed Forces Day – Rose Parade, Santa Rosa
- 17<sup>th</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
- 25<sup>th</sup> United Veterans Council meeting
- \*\* 26<sup>th</sup> Luncheon, **Epicenter**
- \*\* 30<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Ceremonies

### June:

- 7<sup>th</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am

- \*\* 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information
- 4<sup>th</sup> / 11<sup>th</sup> / 18<sup>th</sup> Saturday, Picnic at Two Rock? Honor Scholarship Recipients
- 21<sup>st</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
- 22<sup>nd</sup> United Veterans Council meeting
- July:
  - 5<sup>th</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am – selection of nominating committee
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information
  - 19<sup>th</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
  - \*\* 27<sup>th</sup> United Veterans Council meeting
  - 28<sup>th</sup> Luncheon, **Epicenter**
- August:
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information
  - 16<sup>th</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
  - \*\* 13<sup>th</sup> / 20<sup>th</sup> Saturday, Riverfront Regional Park, Annual BBQ
  - 24<sup>th</sup> United Veterans Council meeting
- September:
  - 6<sup>th</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am – Approval of 2023 officers
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information
  - \*\* 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> Air Show at CMS Airport?
  - 20<sup>th</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
  - \*\* 16<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> ?? Friday, Luncheon, Two Rock USCG (\$10.00?)
  - 28<sup>th</sup> United Veterans Council meeting
- October:
  - 4<sup>th</sup> BOARD MEETING - 11:30 am
  - 10<sup>th</sup> Deadline for submission of MOAA-VOICE information
  - 18<sup>th</sup> "Pub Crawl" Daily Grill, Graton Resort & Casino
  - 26<sup>th</sup> United Veterans Council meeting
  - \*\* 27<sup>th</sup> Luncheon or Dinner?, **Epicenter**, Election of Officers for 2023
- November: TBD
- December: TBD

\*\* Not Confirmed at this time ~ CNX = Cancelled ~ UNK = Unknown  
All Meals at **Epicenter** will be Buffets 06/32/06

## MOAA WIVES CLUB

(Sonoma County Main - All members welcome)

### 2022 Officers

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| President: Dayle Johnson       | 408-466-6764 |
| Vice President: Liz Warren     | 707-763-6957 |
| Secretary: Tina Lewis          | 707-758-9739 |
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### TIME TO PAY YOUR DUES!

ONLY \$25.00

Mail check to Florence Wall at  
655 Chardonnay Place, Windsor, CA 95492-6685

Time to pay your dues! Either mail a check to Florence Wall or pay when you come to the luncheon. We hope you will come to the luncheons, fully vaccinated of course. We all want to be safe.

The next meeting of the Wives Club will be a buffet luncheon at the Epicenter on Wednesday, February 9th. The price is \$25.00. Lunch is served promptly at noon. The buffet menu will be BBQ chicken breast with crispy onions, street tacos with Asada, esquite (Mexican corn), mac and cheese, house salad, and cookies.

If the Telephone Committee does not contact you, you may make a reservation up to the day before the meeting; however, cancellations must be made by Monday preceding the meeting. For either situation, call Susan Linch at 707-538-3342.

Because of the low turnout at the January luncheon, Bingo was postponed. We'll try again in February. Rather than playing Bingo, Dayle suggested playing Two Lies and One Truth. It's amazing how difficult it is to make up lies on the spot that sound possible as truths. A few of the ladies made up some doozies. It was great fun.

**Tina Lewis**, Publicity 707-539-5546  
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## Redwood Empire Chapter Officers and Directors for 2022

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| <u>President:</u>            | Maj Ken Johnson, USAF         | 408-466-6764 |
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### CAL-MOAA Director, Area I

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|                       |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|
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|-------------------------|--------------|
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| Donna Poulter           | 707-576-0513 |
| CPT Lewis Wall, USA     | 707-837-7389 |

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|                       |                             |              |
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