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Aaron Barnhart to discuss Jesse James , Jo Shelby, and the War after the War at the September 22 Meeting



Aaron Barnhart is the former television and media critic for the Kansas City Star. He is the coauthor of *The Big Divide: A Travel Guide to Historic and Civil War Sites in the Missouri-Kansas Border Region*.

Aaron's topic is Jesse James, Jo Shelby, and the War after the War.

Long after the final shots were fired, Missouri continued to suffer the violence and chaos of civil war. Jesse James was once seen as a romantic rebel without a cause, but recent studies have revealed a more human and tragic figure who refused to accept the war's outcome and targeted pro-Union Missourians for death.

In contrast, J. O. Shelby, one of the Confederacy's most storied commanders, became a US marshal and embraced reconciliation. Though proud of his Confederate service, Shelby came to disavow the Lost Cause and his own slave-owning past. This lively and surprising presentation shows how two native sons responded to changing times in volatile postwar Missouri.

Our Meeting will be held September 22, 2018 (4th Saturday) at the new DAV (Disabled American Veterans) building at 14605 East Hwy 40, Kansas City, MO 64136. The Auxiliary Luncheon begins at 1145 hours with the MOAA Luncheon beginning at 1215 hours. Cost of the lunch is \$12.00.

To get to the DAV from Independence, Missouri, exit off I-70 onto Noland to go south for 1 mile to E Hwy 40. Turn left and drive one-half mile. DAV is on the south side of E Hwy 40.

Everyone must have a meal reservation by Monday of the week before the luncheon. Substitute meals must be made at time of reservation. Cancellations must be called in by 9:00 a.m. Saturday of the luncheon.

To make reservations, contact Samuel or Judy Leonard by telephone at 816-792-0744 or by e-mail at jlynn2@kc.rr.com by Wednesday before the meeting.

2018 Meeting Calendar

27 January*	No July Meeting
24 February	25 August*
24 March *	22 September
28 April	27 October*
19 May * (3rd Sat)	17 November* (3rd Sat)
23 June (Chapter Picnic)	8 December (Holiday Party)

NOTE: All Meetings are on the 4th Saturday EXCEPT as indicated. They vary according to a holiday or available date.

*(Exec Council meets at 10:30 am)

Web Site: www.moaahoa.org/

Meeting Information

TOPIC: *Jesse James, Jo Shelby, and the War after the War*

SPEAKER: *Aaron Barnhart
Civil War Historian*

Saturday, September 22, 2018

TIME: *11:30 a.m. - Auxiliary
12:15 p.m. - MOAA*

MENU: *Chicken Fried Steak, Vegetable,
Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Salad,
Roll/Butter, Dessert, Coffee, Iced Tea,*

*(Substitute Meals of Baked Chicken Breast or
Hamburger Steak must be requested at Time of
Reservation)*

LOCATION:
*Disabled American Veterans
14605 East Highway 40
Kansas City, Missouri 64136*

*Call Sam and Judy Leonard at 816-792-0744 for
Reservations or e-mail jlynn2@kc.rr.com*

Notes from the President



by Jerry Magliano



Hope the Summer is going well for you. The Chapter has important business to take care of before the end of the year. We will need to develop a slate of officers for next year. In accordance with our By-Laws (linked on our web site www.moaahoa.org), a Nominating Committee will be appointed at our September Executive Council

meeting. The Committee will present a slate of nominees to the membership at our October meeting and additional nominees may be made from the floor. The slate of nominees for the six elective officer positions will be published and an election will be held at our November meeting. Those elected will be installed at our December Holiday Party.

A Finance Committee will also be appointed to develop a budget for 2019. It will be presented and voted on by the Executive Council at our October meeting.

A management team will have to be appointed to administer the \$3,750 Military Family Initiative Grant awarded to our Chapter by MOAA National following the guidelines in the Memorandum of Understanding for the grant.

Finally, and most importantly, we must develop strategies to attract new members and to encourage existing members to renew their memberships. Any thoughts or recommendations you may have are always welcome.

Accomplishing all of these tasks requires members of the Chapter who are willing to step up and participate in one or more of the aforementioned activities. It can't continue to be the same people year after year. Think about how you might help us meet our goal to NEVER STOP SERVING.

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2018 Heart of America Chapter Officers

POSITION	RANK	OFFICER	HOME
President	Maj	Jerry Magliano	913-530-1761
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APPOINTED OFFICERS:

Chaplain VACANT

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS):

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Auxiliary News

Welcome September!

September is welcome for the cooler days and nights. Fall is coming.

I want to thank Susan Eveland for being our hostess last month and giving us our homemade wraps to put our soup bowls in and warming it in the microwave.

Jo Lawrence is our hostess this month.

Come join us for our meeting on September 22 at 11:30. We would love to have you join us.

Diane Christianson
Auxiliary President
MOAA-HOAC

HOA MOAA Scholarship Programs

Our scholarship program was developed to give local JrROTC programs a tool to entice students into JrROTC where they would be introduced to JrROTC and the military. Hopefully after their JrROTC experience, they would continue their education in ROTC, a military academy or join the military.

You have seen from our newsletters that the numbers of these students who go to ROTC and the Service Academies this program has been successful. One this year's winners, Travis Riley visited during our August luncheon.

To ensure we select the correct students, we have weighted the score sheet we use to determine winners in favor of the students who are in leadership in JrROTC and have a good academic record. We do this to try to ensure your donations aren't wasted on a student that drops out or doesn't attend college. We also have the student's scholarship account set up with each college so that we receive any unspent funds from the college if the student drops out before they complete their first year. So far, we haven't received a refund except for a student decided to go to a service academy vs college.

We would like to thank our scholarship committee for their diligent work in choosing our scholarship winners from this year's highly qualified applicants and our members for their continued financial support. Most of the students took college classes while in High School, were highly involved in school, Jr ROTC and volunteer activities. They are invited to one of our meetings to tell us a little about themselves and their goals.

Our first place winner is Devin Tracy. He graduated from Truman High School of Independence. He ranked in the top 15 per cent of a class of 372 with a 3.86 grade point average. He's planning to attend the Fort Hays State University and majoring in Petroleum Geoscience.

His many activities included high school JrROTC Battalion Commander, Company Executive Officer, Sabre Guard and several other Guard teams. He is also heavily involved in Boy Scouts. He works part time with the Independence School District Transportation Department.

Our second place winner is Travis Riley of Van Horn High School. He is attending the Kansas City Metropolitan Junior College where he is preparing to be a certified welder. He was the Jr ROTC Executive Officer this year and led the unit to be very competitive for the AFJROTC Distinguished Unit Award for the first time in four years. He was involved the Drill Team, Color Guard and Sabre Guard. He ranked 193 out of a class of 575 with a weighted GPA of 3.42.

Our 3rd place winner is Ni Tial. Ni graduated from Washington High School in Kansas City Ks. Ni's family was forced out of Burma and they spent 3 years in Malaysia. She worked during her time there to help support the family. Her story of survival in a refugee camp helped build her hard work and determination character. Ni has succeeded at school and JrROTC and graduated 2nd out of 198 with a GPA of 3.957. She earned the Kansas Governor's Scholars award and has many JrROTC awards. Her lead instructor says she is the model cadet. She is planning to become an architect so that she can go back to Burma give back to her nation of origin.

We also will give a 500.00 to the member grandchildren of Bruce Eveland and Tony Rizzi. Their grandchildren were very accomplished both academically and very involved in their high school and community.

Victor Christianson, Major (Retired) USAF
MOAA - HOA Scholarship Chairman

August Meeting Photos



Speaker Hal Wert (left) with Chapter President Jerry Magliano



Second Place Scholarship Winner Travis Riley of Van Horn High School addresses HOA MOAA members

YOU CAN HELP: In November the Chapter will be mailing the 2019 membership dues statement. You can save the Chapter the cost of printing and mailing a dues invoice by completing the form below and mail the form with your check before 17 November 2017 or by purchasing your membership at the November 17 Chapter Meeting.



Heart of America Chapter (HOAC) Chapter and Auxiliary Membership Application or Renewal

Date: _____ Is this Renewal or Application Request: _____

Name: _____ Primary Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____

Chapter Dues are \$20/Yr

Auxiliary Dues are \$5/Yr

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