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David Isaacks CEO/Director of the Kansas City VA Medical Center



David Isaacks, FACHE, is the CEO/Director of the Kansas City VA Medical Center in Kansas City, Missouri since September 2019. His previous appointment was at the Harry S. Truman Memorial Veterans' Hospital in Columbia, Missouri starting in 2016, where Mr. Isaacks was instrumental in the modernization of that medical center's facilities and leading his team in the adoption of high reliability practices.

Also under his leadership while at the Truman VA, it was ranked No. 1 nationally for two consecutive years by the Veterans Administration for achieving the highest employee satisfaction. Mr. Isaacks joined the VA in 2006 and has served in several leadership roles to include Deputy Network Director for both the VA Sunshine Healthcare Network in St. Petersburg,

Florida, and the VA Heartland Network in Kansas City, Missouri. He also served as Director of the VA Central Plains Consolidated Patient Account Center (CPAC) in Leavenworth, Kansas. Mr. Isaacks received a bachelor's degree in business administration and management from Southern Illinois University and a master's degree in organizational management from the University of Phoenix. He is a VHA Certified Mentor and a board-certified Fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives (FACHE). Additionally, Isaacks is a proud Veteran of the United States Marine Corps

Meeting Information

TOPIC; KC VA
SPEAKER: David Isaacks
Saturday, March 27, 2021
TIME: 1030 Executive Board Meeting
12:15 p.m. - MOAA Lunch
MENU: Corn Beef/Cabbage Horse Radish Sauce, New Potatoes/
Carrots, Salad/ Roll/Butter/ Coffee/Tea/
And Lime Sherbet
(Substitute Meals of Baked Chicken Breast or Hamburger Steak must be requested at Time of Reservation)

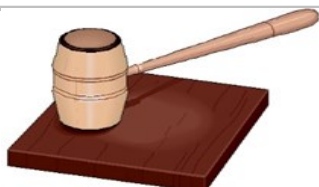
LOCATION:
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40 Kansas City, Missouri 64136*
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2021 Meeting Calendar

23 January*	No July Meeting
27 February	28 August*
27 March *	25 September
24 April	23 October* (4th Sat)
22 May *	27 November* (4th Sat)
26 June (Chapter Picnic)	4 December (Holiday Party)

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

**Notes
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Jerry Magliano

President's Message

The name March comes from the Roman god of war. It is a reminder that the war on the COVID pandemic began in earnest during March a year ago. This March it appears we are beginning to win this war. Our country and the lives of many of its citizens have been changed forever by a virus that has done great damage to our economy and our education system. But, like other wars, we will emerge victorious. It is also Women's History Month which had its origins as a national celebration in 1981 when Congress requested the President to proclaim the week beginning March 7, 1982 as "Women's History Week." In 1987 after being petitioned by the National Women's History Project, Congress designated the month of March 1987 as "Women's History Month. These proclamations celebrate the contributions women have made to the United States and recognize the specific achievements women have made over the course of American history in a variety of fields. We see those contributions every day, and are grateful for them, by the women in our personal and professional lives.

On a separate note, we had a very informative virtual meeting on February 27th with Captain Erin Stone at MOAA National. She stated 2021 is going to be the year of the Chapters with an emphasis on increasing membership. Currently MOAA has 350,000 members nationally but only 40,000 are Chapter members. I will have more information from our meeting in a separate email.

I hope to see you at our meeting on March 27th during which you will have the opportunity to hear first-hand from David Isaacks, Director/CEO of the Kansas City VA Medical Center. If you have not yet paid your 2021 Chapter dues, we ask that you do so as soon as possible. Thanks for your membership and continuing support for our mission to NEVER STOP SERVING.

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2021 Heart of America Chapter Officers

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Chaplain	MS	Mary Ellen Davis	816-554-9018
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Unlike many veteran's organizations, National MOAA and Local Chapters collect yearly dues independently. Chapter Dues are due in January and are currently \$25 The Auxiliary Dues are \$10. If there is an "" after your last name in the address bar, we have not received your dues for the current year. Please send your Dues payment to TREASURER, Vic Christianson, 10635 Hwy D, Napoleon Mo 64074. Thank you for continued support!*

Auxiliary News

Auxiliary President's Message

I know life has changed for most of us as we approach the one-year mark since the pandemic started. Things are changing and we need to follow the CDC guidelines to stay safe. A big thank you to Mary Treu our hostess for February. Hopefully with Spring approaching and the sun shining more, we will have a better outlook especially after this year's cold winter temperatures. Stay positive. Take care. Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting on Saturday, March 27. Thank you.

Tia Dawson
Auxiliary President MOAA, HOA

Women's History Month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture and society and has been observed annually in the month of March in the United States since 1987. Women's History Month 2021 will take place from Monday, March 1-Wednesday, March 31, 2021.

Why Do We Celebrate Women's History Month?

Women's History Month is a dedicated month to reflect on the often-overlooked contributions of women to United States history. From [Abigail Adams](#) to [Susan B. Anthony](#), [Sojourner Truth](#) and [Rosa Parks](#), the [timeline of women's history milestones](#) stretches back to the founding of the United States.

The actual celebration of [Women's History Month](#) grew out of a celebration of women's contributions to culture, history and society organized by the school district of Sonoma, [California](#), in 1978. Presentations were given at dozens of schools, hundreds of students participated in a "Real Woman" essay contest and a parade was held in downtown Santa Rosa.

A few years later, the idea had caught on within communities, school districts and organizations across the country. In 1980, President [Jimmy Carter](#) issued the first presidential proclamation declaring the week of March 8 as National [Women's History](#) Week. The U.S. Congress followed suit the next year, passing a resolution establishing a national celebration. Six years later, the National Women's History Project successfully petitioned Congress to expand the event to the entire month of March.



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

Date: _____ (Circle one) RENEWAL or APPLICATION

NAME: OFFICER _____ PRIMARY PHONE: Cell or Home or Work (circle one)

MAME AUXILARY _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Chapter Dues are \$25/yr (January to December) Auxiliary Dues are \$10/Yr Checks payable to HOAC-MOAA

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