



# THE HOG CALL!

Newsletter of the Arkansas Chapter  
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*Educate – Connect – Inform*

## Army Reserve Professional Development and Recruitment

**Event** – With the gracious invitation of the Commander, 90<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade, Camp Pike, North Little Rock, to visit with his Soldiers, AUSA Arkansas kicked off both the New Year and the first quarter with a robust event during their weekend battle assembly in January. As the largest Army Reserve unit in Arkansas, this opportunity to re-introduce AUSA to so many serving Soldiers was greatly appreciated. LTC(R) Jeff Sponsler and CSM(R) Tom Broom represented the Arkansas Chapter and were warmly welcomed by the entire command. This was the Brigade's Yearly Training Briefing weekend, so our reps were able to also educate and Inform the company and battalion-level Leadership teams from the units in neighboring states, as well. They spoke to the group on the importance of Soldiers – as members of the Profession of Arms – to select and support a Professional Organization that can voice their concerns and represent their needs to Congress in a way they cannot, legally, as serving Soldiers. While there are several such professional organizations to choose from, our Speakers also explained why choosing to join AUSA brings a broad-spectrum of individual benefits as well as connects members of the Arkansas Army Community with local and state government, as well as the rest of the entire community – past, present, and future.



COL Hershkowitz welcomes LTC(R) Sponsler to the 90<sup>th</sup> SB Headquarters



CSM(R) Tom Broom speaks with Soldiers of the 90th SUS BDE on the importance of membership in Army professional reception

LTC(R) Sponsler and CSM(R) Broom were also allowed set up a display and be available in the building to answer questions about AUSA – and welcome NEW MEMBERS – throughout the rest of the day. AUSA-Arkansas looks forward to exploring more opportunities to support the great Tough ‘Ombres of the 90<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade in the future!



## Other Chapter Updates

On 16 Feb, Chapter President, COL(R) Harold Tucker represented AUSA-AR in attending the **Operations Song - Little Rock** chapter opening. Operation Song is made up of several Nashville-based song writers who create unique songs – in less than 8 hours – based upon the stories told to them by veterans. They now have two chapters, one in Chattanooga and the new one in Little Rock. Harold met with Mr. Bob Regan, CEO/Executive, and Mr. Don Goodman (pictured below), Vice President, and known for hits such as “Ol’Red” and “Angels Among Us”, among and many others.



*AR Chapter President Harold Tucker with Mr. Bob Regan, CEO/Executive Director, Operation Song*



Check out their website for more info at info: <http://www.operationsong.org> or on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/operationsonglr/>

Hopefully the CDs will soon be available for purchase in Little Rock stores. Stay tuned.



LTC(R) David Cooper speaks with Mr. Paul Greenwood of Osprey Logistics on our AUSA mission to Educate, Connect and Inform

On 22 Feb, State President David Cooper and Chapter President attended the meeting of the Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, at the Atlas Bar/Grill 1224 Main Street, Little Rock in SOMA (South of Main Association of Little Rock).

They spoke with various members about how AUSA AR supports our three focus areas: Future - JROTC/ROTC; Current – Serving Regular, Guard and Reserve and their family members; Past - veterans and retirees. They also coordinated with Chamber staff about giving AUSA’s “Army 1.0” briefing as a scheduled event at a future Chamber meeting.



Later that evening, AUSA Chapter and State Presidents represented AUSA at the National Guard Professional Education Center – PEC – Family Readiness Group meeting. They manned the AUSA table and spoke to Soldiers and family members who were not familiar with the many AUSA Family Support programs and activities. They also gave a short presentation about importance of AUSA to the National Guard, and met the PEC Commander and Operations officer to plan upcoming support to the PEC and other National Guard events in and around Camp Robinson.



On 12 March, AUSA AR State President, David Cooper and AR Chapter President, Harold Tucker met with MG(R) Kendall Penn, AR National Guard Association and Ms Jody Bergstron, Camp Alliance CEO. to discuss increased collaboration between AUSA AR and the AR-NGA and how AUSA AR can provide assistance to Camp Alliance (<https://campallianceinc.org>) which provides a fully funded camp event for National Guard children and First responder children of Arkansas. More to follow.



• **ROTC/JROTC Support Season Again –** By the time you receive this newsletter, you Chapter will be heavily engaged in our support of the leadership recognition and award presentations to STATE-WIDE Senior ROTC and Junior ROTC detachments. These programs develop future leaders for both the Army (SROTC) and communities all across our Natural State. AUSA-Arkansas is proud to support these programs that do so



much to educate and develop these fine young Americans. Did you know that young people who participate in JROTC are much more likely to graduate than their non-JROTC peers? In the uncertain and ever-changing job market of today – which will grow even more challenging in the future – just graduating from high school can make a significant difference in the course of the lives of these young men and women. And the young men and women participating in the many Senior ROTC programs in our State will one day be commissioned into the Regular Army, Army Reserve, and Army Guard will also carry our Arkansas values into service to the whole Nation in defense of our Constitution.

Recognizing their efforts and providing support for these outstanding programs is one of the most important efforts we, as a Chapter, have. ANY SUPPORT you, our members, can offer to assist our Little Rock-centric Chapter leadership would be greatly appreciated and help us reach more of these outstanding programs. (Please contact President Tucker if you'd like to present at your local Army JROTC unit!)

Presentations already made on March 30th



**Mr. Matt Martin presents AUSA Leadership Medal and Certificate to Cadet SGT Tevon Bailey of Benton HS JROTC**



**BG(R) Jameson presents AUSA Leadership Medal and Certificate to Cadet 1LT Elizabeth Wright of Sheridan HS JROTC**

• **JCLC Date Change –** Each year the Arkansas Chapter supports the JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge on Camp Robinson in North Little Rock. Whole Hog Café, NLR, generously provides the engraved plaques for AUSA-AR to recognize the Top Male and Female Cadets at the end of the encampment. We have also begun to support the “jody competition” with food and drink. For 2019, the Camp has been delayed by a week. As AUSA members, you are invited to attend the Jody competition on June 20<sup>th</sup> and the awards presentation @0900 on the 21<sup>st</sup> at the PEC auditorium.

- **Welcome New Chapter Members!** – New member joining since our last newsletter include individual memberships for **Dr. Stacey Brown, SFC John Tevenal, SSG Jennifer Phillips, PVT Chance Kelly, Mr. David Wenhold,** and **Mr. Matt Martin** AND new Community Partner membership for **Trio’s Restaurant** in Little Rock (see also Community Partner page). Our Members are our strength, so we are **VERY happy** to welcome these new members and encourage them to give us feedback on how we can improve the value they perceive from joining our Arkansas Chapter. We would also encourage them to join any of the many AUSA-AR events to meet other members and help our volunteers better support our Army



On 15 February, AR Chapter President Harold Tucker (L), and AUSA AR State President David Cooper(R) receive membership check from Ms. Capi Peck, co-owner of our newest Community Partner member, Trio’s Restaurant, located at 8201 Cantrell Road, Suite 100. Little Rock. AR 72227

- **Memorial Day Meeting** – Our next General Membership Meeting will be at the State Memorial Day and picnic event at Sherwood Forrest, NLR on May 27th. At 1000, the governor (or his representative) will speak at the Arkansas Veterans Cemetery. Following (o/a 1100hrs), join everyone for an indoor picnic lunch and stop by the AUSA table to meet your State and Chapter leadership. **Bring a friend and sign them up!**

- **Chapter Army Birthday Celebration** – This June 14<sup>th</sup> will be the 244<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of the United States Army. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us at the MWR Complex (aka “ the Canteen”) on Camp Robinson in North Little Rock. This year we will begin cutting the cake and toasting Our Army at 1200hrs. If you can’t make the General Membership meeting on Memorial Day, you’ll get another opportunity when we celebrate the Army Birthday. Again, **bring a friend and sign them up!**

## Chapter President

Greetings,

It has been an exciting three months as your AUSA-AR Chapter has been engaged with various Army Reserve and Army Guard events across the State. One of our key focus areas is **CONNECTING** with the entire force in Arkansas – Army Reserve, Army National Guard, Retirees, and ROTC/JROTC programs in Arkansas.

Our involvement with the 90<sup>th</sup> SUS BDE continues and we are looking forward to greater partnering with that unit – Soldiers and Leaders – as they develop their skills for the challenges that face such a unit.

We are also looking to become more involved with Army Guard units across the state. We met with the NGB PEC Family Readiness team at Camp Robinson to discuss the AUSA resources available to Guard family members.

The JROTC and ROTC award season is shifting into high gear in April and May and I’m always welcome presenters at any of the 25 JROTC and 5 ROTC programs across the State. If you have a personal relationship with ANY of the programs – are a graduate, have a son, daughter, or other relative in a program, or live in the local area – and would be willing to be the AUSA presenter, please e-mail me at [AUSA.AR.Pres@comcast.net](mailto:AUSA.AR.Pres@comcast.net) so I can coordinate the date, location, and time.

I also had a great opportunity to attend the Operation Song workshop at the MacArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History and the next night at the NLR Fort Roots VA, where song writers from Nashville, TN, met and listened to veterans tell their stories. And then, within six hours produced a song about that story! Some were funny. Some deep and thoughtful. Others were venting. But regardless, such songs have proven to be of great benefit to the veterans and, sometimes, even their family members. We will bring you more info and updates on Operation Song concerts/workshops in Little Rock in future newsletters.

I will join the Governor and others at the Memorial Day ceremony on 27 May at the North Little Rock Veterans Cemetery followed by a great picnic at the Sherwood Forest community center. Come join us at this great opportunity to greet other veterans and remember those who gave their all for our country.

The TOTAL Army birthday will be held at the Camp Robinson MWR this year on 14 June at 12:00hrs. Place on your calendar and plan to attend the multi-component celebration.

Finally, 23 October 2019 is the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the AUSA Arkansas Chapter. I am inviting all living past Chapter Presidents, former Chapter officers, and all current and past AUSA-AR members to attend this event. It will be held at the MacArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History on 503 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Little Rock, starting at 12:00 hours (noon) until 14:00hours. Come and see old friends, and make new ones, at this grand celebration.

If there are issues that you would like the AUSA Arkansas Chapter to address or pass along to AUSA National, please make those known to me (at the e-mail address above) for discussion and action.

I am pleased to be your chapter president and look forward to more great things to happen with the AUSA Arkansas Chapter.

Harold Tucker, Chapter President



## ARMY NEWS

- **“Lighter” Ma Deuce Ammo May Be Coming** – The Marine Corps has requested ammunition manufacturers to explore ways to lighten the weight of .50cal ammunition, by as much as 30% in some estimates. The request to industry stipulates that any submissions must retain the same characteristics as the current M33 projectiles, but cut the weight of a standard 100-round belt by at least 15% to 30%, or up to 20 pounds. One of the early options would be to replace the brass casings with polymer – the same as many Soldiers are already familiar with in the M4 polymer magazines . . . More to follow as this program continues.

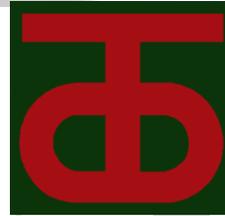
- **Army Combat Fitness Test Coming** – If you aren’t in one of the 60 Army battalions, spread across the Regular Army, Army Reserve, and Army Guard, serving as part of the field test, then you will soon be receiving Soldiers from basic training who will have experienced it. The Army’s goal is to institute the ACFT in IET before it brings it on-line in units as early as October 2019.

# ARKANSAS ARMY RESERVE NEWS

- **Army Continues Eliminating Mandatory “Training”** – As AUSA-Arkansas informed you last year, then-SecDef Mattis directed the Services to start eliminating mandatory “training” – decades of accumulated CYA briefings, classes, and other requirements – that cut into limited, valuable training time. This is **EXTREMELY** critical in the Army Reserve and Guard where available training time is already measured in hours instead of days and weeks for the Regular Army.

In recent months, two more extraneous – and hard to rationalize – training requirements have been lifted. Army Secretary Mark Esper has eliminated the **requirement** for weekend safety briefings – or, in the case of the Reserve Components, the “end of drill” safety briefings – giving commanders the latitude to continue or choose only special situations for such briefings. He was quoted as saying, “. . . the NCOs and Officers in a platoon or company want to take care of their Soldiers, and they understand it doesn’t run from nine to five, like in the civilian world.”

And, finally, **NO MORE PT BELTS** – at least during daylight hours! The Army “. . . does not require the wear of reflective physical training bet or vest during daylight hours, or while conducting physical training on closed roads or dedicated physical training routes,” said Secretary Esper.



While visiting as guests of the 90<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade, representatives of the AUSA-Arkansas Chapter members were invited to tour the Heritage Center at the

Brigade Headquarters building on Camp Pike. The Heritage Center – a museum of artifacts, historical photos and facts, and art – graphically traces and depicts the historic legacy of the 90<sup>th</sup> Brigade over the past 100 years. With its origins in World War One as the 90<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, its mobilization, training, deployment and combat in Europe are covered extensively. But so, too, is the Division’s WWII combat, also in Europe. After that war, the Division was returned to its Reserve status and headquartered in Texas as befitted its nickname of “Tough ‘Ombres”. In the 1990s, the Division was converted to one of sixteen FEMA-region aligned “Reserve Support Commands” and reestablished at Camp Pike in North Little Rock. Camp Pike (which included all of today’s Camp Robinson) was established during WWI as one of many mobilization and training sites for the hundreds of thousands of draftees. It was also the de-mobilization post for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division after the Great War. The 90<sup>th</sup> remained a two-star command, with over 27,000 Soldiers in units



CSM(R) Tom Broom visiting 90<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade Heritage Center in the WWII exhibit

stretching across six states until the GWOT reorganization of the Army Reserve (from 2005-2011) when it was re-designated as a Sustainment Brigade to better align with the BCT-centric reorganization of the Regular Army. The 90<sup>th</sup> SB is command aligned under a one-star Expeditionary Sustainment Command in Texas and a two-star Sustainment Command in California.

AUSA-AR wishes to thank the Soldiers and Leaders of the 90<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade, Camp Pike, North Little Rock, Arkansas, for their warm welcome and willingness to share their long and historic legacy of service to our Nation



CSM(R) Tom Broom viewing the reconstructed historic WWI Camp Pike Front Gate photo in the 90<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade Heritage Center



LTC(R) Jeff Sponsler takes in the extensive WWII exhibit of artifacts and photos at the photo in the 90<sup>th</sup> Sustainment Brigade Heritage Center



## NEWS FROM AUSA NATIONAL



- **Date Set for 2019 AUSA Annual Meeting & Exposition** – Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the 2019 AUSA national meeting set for 14 – 16 October at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC. This is a professional development forum of the highest caliber for all members of the Army Community as there is something for everyone. For more information – tickets, room reservations, travel information, exhibitor info, special events, and complete schedule, go to: <http://ausameetings.org/2019annualmeeting/>

• **AUSA Scholarship application period is now open.** In 2019 the Association of the United States Army will award more than \$295,000 through 41 national level scholarships. Eligibility criteria:

- AUSA Membership
- All scholarships are open to AUSA Members only.
- To retrieve your membership number, contact membership support at [membersupport@ausa.org](mailto:membersupport@ausa.org) or 855-246-6269.
- To become an AUSA member, [join today](#) for as low as \$10 per year.
- Timelines:  
**April 2, 2019** - Scholarship opens  
**July 31, 2019** - Application deadline  
**November 15, 2019** – Recipients notified

**Application instructions and requirements available at:** <https://scholarship.ausa.org/>

• **Quarterly Links to AUSA’s Army News**

April 2019 -

[http://ausanews.ausa.org/publication/?m=44147&l=1#{%22issue\\_id%22:575117,%22page%22:0}](http://ausanews.ausa.org/publication/?m=44147&l=1#{%22issue_id%22:575117,%22page%22:0})

March 2019 –

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• **Quarterly Links to AUSA’s Army Magazine –**

April 2019 – <https://www.ausa.org/issues/army-magazine-vol-69-no-3-april-2019>

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February 2019 –

<https://www.ausa.org/issues/army-magazine-vol-69-no-3-march-2019>

January 2019 – <https://www.ausa.org/issues/army-magazine-vol-69-no-1-january-2019>

For those of us who like the feel of an actual magazine, you can also download and save it in a .pdf format, or even print it out!

• **Latest Publications from the Institute of Land Warfare** – whether your interest is in learning of the past, discussing hot Army/defense topics of the day, or exploring future possibilities and options, then the scholarly publications of The Institute of Land Warfare (ILW) are for you!

This past quarter, ILW again published a prolific number of authoritative reports and articles. These are great tools for our members to “educate and inform” local, regional and national leaders; and the American public on the critical nature of land forces and the importance of the United States Army.

- [Campaign Streamers of the United States Army](#) (ILW Special Report, March 2019)
- [Manning the Army of 2028: Recruitment Modernization](#) by [MAJ Bradley Cooper, USA](#), and [Michael Wang](#) (ILW Spotlight 19-1, March 2019)
- [The U.S. Army, the Nuclear Posture Review and Nuclear Deterrence: A European Historical Context](#) by [David R. Dorondo, PhD](#) (Land Warfare Paper 124, March 2019)
- [Operational Energy: A Decisive Enabler and Critical Liability in 21st Century Warfare](#) by [LTC Benajamin A. Bennett, PhD, USA](#) and [Lt. Col. Ron Owens, USAF Ret.](#) (Landpower Essay 19-2, March 2019)
- [In Pursuit of a General Theory of Proxy Warfare](#) by [MAJ Amos C. Fox, USA](#) (Land Warfare Paper 123, February 2019)
- [A Case Study of Politics and U.S. Army Doctrine: 1954 Field Manual 100-5: Operations](#) by [Dr. David C. Rasmussen](#) (Land Warfare Paper 122, January 2019)
- [Training the Machines: Incorporating AI into Land Combat Systems](#) by [LTC Stephan Pikner, USA](#) (Landpower Essay 19-1, January 2019)

## Other News You Can Use

• **Telephone Scams, Frauds, and Identity Theft** – Maybe it is because it is tax season, or just that the fraudsters are becoming more aggressive, but EVERYONE in the Army Community in Arkansas needs to be aware and vigilant to these pernicious threats.

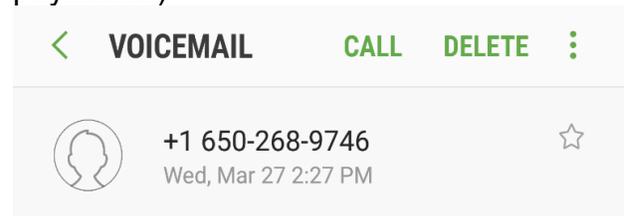
Many of you may be USAA clients. If you are, then you know they – like a growing number of financial institutions – NEVER call without going through a lengthy identification process, including e-mailing or texting you a single-use identification code. But there is a VERY sophisticated scam being reported in which the “phishing” scammers actually are able to hi-jack the USAA phone number so that, if you have caller ID, the number on your phone actually says “USAA”!

**This is where it gets scary.** The scammers ALSO HAVE THE BANK ON ANOTHER LINE! The scammer asks you to verify your data – which is relayed to the real bank representative, who then texts the verification to you. When you read it to the scammer, his buddy reads it back to bank, and **VOILA, they are in** – for banking, for loans, for fund transfers, or even emptying your accounts!

The ONLY way to defeat this “phishing” is to tell them you will call back, hang up, and call the valid bank phone number you have to verify. Since it is you initiating the call, you should get through to your bank and find out if the previous call was legitimate or not. this wasn’t them – very believable, anyone could fall for it.

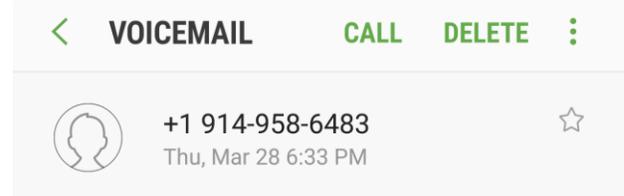
• **Looking for an “old Army buddy”?** – this site give you links to find other veterans [https://www.komando.com/tips/536065/the-best-sites-for-veterans?utm\\_medium=nl&utm\\_source=totd&utm\\_content=2019-02-07](https://www.komando.com/tips/536065/the-best-sites-for-veterans?utm_medium=nl&utm_source=totd&utm_content=2019-02-07)

• **Social Security Scam** – The other scam that is “hot” right now, is one that claims to be the Social Security Administration calling to warn you that your SSAN is about to be “suspended” if you don’t provide them sufficient personal information to steal your identity and/or file a fraudulent tax return against your SSA number. Even if you don’t answer, here are two ACTUAL voice mails they leave. (Imagine how this might terrify someone unfamiliar with this scamming and/or who depends heavily on their Social Security paybacks!)



### Voicemail to Text

502689746. Thank you. This call is from Social Security Administration. The reason of this call is to notify you about the information to suspend your social security number. This is a final attempt to reach you to resolve this issue immediately. Please call us back on [650-268-9746](tel:650-268-9746) to speak with a federal agent. I repeat [650-268-9746](tel:650-268-9746). Thank you.



### Voicemail to Text

If this phone call from our department is to inform you that we just suspend your social security number because we found some suspicious activity. So if you want to know about this case just press one thank you.

Notice the scammers apparently have a bank of different phone numbers that they scroll through until you either fall for it or they run out of numbers.

- **Veterans Affairs Sponsoring Advance Care Planning Groups** – Do you have a plan in place so family and doctors can honor your medical wishes should you become incapacitated? If not, you may want to attend one of the many VA-Sponsored Planning Groups across central Arkansas.

**Little Rock** – Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 11 AM McClellan Hospital I Room ?E-119

**North Little Rock** – Every Tuesday at 11 AM Fort Roots Building 170 I Room 3D-136

**Hot Springs** – Every Monday at 11:00 AM Hot Springs VA Clinic

**Conway** – Every Friday at 11:30 AM Conway VA Clinic

**Searcy** Every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 11:30 AM Searcy VA Clinic

**ADVANCE CARE PLANNING**

**HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT YOU WOULD WANT?**

An Advance Directive is the best way to ensure your future medical care reflects and honors your wishes.

Join one of our Advance Care Planning groups to learn more about completing a living will and appointing a health care agent.

**ATTEND AN ADVANCE CARE PLANNING GROUP**

<p><b>LITTLE ROCK</b> Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday at 11 AM McClellan Hospital   Room 7E-119</p>	<p><b>HOT SPRINGS</b> Every Monday at 11:00 AM Hot Springs VA Clinic</p>
<p><b>NORTH LITTLE ROCK</b> Every Tuesday at 11 AM Fort Roots Building 170   Room 3D-136</p>	<p><b>CONWAY</b> Every Friday at 11:30 AM Conway VA Clinic</p>
<p><b>SEARCY</b> Every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 11:30 AM Searcy VA Clinic</p>	

**Times and days are subject to change, call 501.257.3303**

VA U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Health Administration Diffusion of EXCELLENCE

- **AUSA Membership Rates** – As you spread the word about all that AUSA Arkansas does to Educate, Inform, and Connect with all Arkansans, they will undoubtedly ask about the cost of membership (and for your own renewal!). For cadets and junior enlisted, the cost is still only \$10 for two years. For all others it is \$40 for two years, \$75 for five years, or only \$400 for a Life Membership. Joining or renewing can be done on-line at [www.ausa.org](http://www.ausa.org) or email to [membersupport@ausa.org](mailto:membersupport@ausa.org). Don't forget to include our Chapter (C4101) when completing the application form.

- **Legal Services for Retirees** – Retirees can obtain basic legal services – notary, wills, living wills, adoption, paternity, custody, support & visitation, landlord-tenant issues, home sale or purchase legal issues, Veteran re-employment rights, etc., are now available through either the LRAFB legal office OR the Arkansas NG Office of Legal Assistance.

- **LRAFB 19<sup>th</sup> Medical Group Holidays and training down days**

- **April** – 25
- **May** – 23/24/27
- **June** – 27
- **July** – 4/5/25
- **August** – 22/30
- **September** – 2/26
- **October** – 14/24
- **November** – 28/29
- **December** – 25/26

- **Expired Medication Drop Box** – LRAFB has installed a drop box for expired medications at the Clinic Pharmacy. Just look for the big blue “MedSafe” metal bin in the pharmacy lobby.

- **New Sherwood Scholarship** – Sherwood Rotary has announced the Butch Davis Memorial Scholarship for veteran’s children who reside in Sherwood or attend a Sherwood school. Open to students at public, private, or parochial schools. Contact Sherwood Rotary for more details.

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

- **12 April**, Valley View (Jonesboro) HS hosts Drill, Color Guard, Cadet Challenge and Obstacle Course
- **12-14 April**, EAANG annual conference in Ft. Smith (register on-line)
- **13 April**, NLR National Cemetery for Fallen Soldier, Sherwood Forest
- **26-28 April**, NGA of AR annual conference in Hot Springs (register on-line)
- **27 May**, Memorial Day observances and General Membership meeting at Sherwood Forest community center
- **14 June**, 244th Army Birthday celebration location at Camp Robinson (NLR) MWR Center at 1200hrs.
- **16-21 June**, JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge, Camp Robinson
- **21 June**, 0900, AUSA Leadership Award presentation to JCLC at PEC Auditorium
- **14-16 October**, AUSA National Conference, Washington, D.C.
- **23 October**, AUSA-Arkansas 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Luncheon @ MacArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History

## 2018 AUSA-AR Officers

**State President** – LTC(R) David Cooper  
**Little Rock Chapter President** – COL(R) Harold Tucker (ausa.ar.pres@comcast.net)  
**Chapter VP for Membership** – Lyn Lewis  
**Chapter Treasurer** – Terry Hirsch  
**Chapter Legal Counsel** – Mr. Jerry Dodd  
**Director of Public Relations** – BG(R) Bud Jameson  
**Chapter Chaplain & Chapter Webmaster** - Vacant



## Editor's Final Thoughts

Summer is normally a VERY busy time for many folks and your Chapter leadership are no exceptions. But for a group who serve exclusively in a volunteer capacity, I am constantly impressed by their enthusiasm, their energy, and their efforts on behalf of our Chapter. I have the honor of reporting it all to you, but they are getting out and making things happen. And, as is typical of members of the Profession of Arms, they do it because they love our Army and they love meeting Soldier, old and young (and future). But I know it would mean a lot to them if you, our members, would reach out and thank them for all they do. Or, even better, volunteer to help them with the many, many activities they do on their own time, and pay for on their own dime.

As mentioned above, the ROTC/JROTC Awards season is upon us. Please consider calling President Trump and offering to be the AUSA representative to present at YOUR local program. Thank you.

Have a Safe and Enjoyable Summer!

BRJ

*"Once A Soldier,  
Always A Soldier!"*

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**Whole Hog North Little Rock** – 10% off for military Every Monday!

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 Little Rock, AR 72227  
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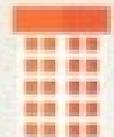
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