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Monmouth, NJ Chapter

NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Commander's Call *October 1, 2017*

AUSA Monmouth Chapter President COL (R) Samuel Fuoco and Board Member Charles Seal attended the NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Commander's Call and NJ Governor Chris Christie's Military Review held at the New Jersey National Guard Training Center, Sea Girt, NJ. Guest speakers were Brigadier General Michael Cuniff, the Adjutant General (TAG) of New Jersey and NJ Governor Chris Christie. The Commander's Call attendees included 40+ NJ State Civic and Military Support Commanders. Attendees for the Military Review included 750+ NJ political leaders, National Guard Service men and women, family members and guests.



L to R: COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, NJ Governor Chris Christie

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Annual Saint John Vianney High School Football Homecoming/ Veterans Appreciation Night

October 6, 2017



AUSA Monmouth Chapter Community Partner Saint John Vianney High School (SJVHS) and Ms Michele Langdon, Director of Student Activities hosted it's annual Football Homecoming/Veterans Appreciation Night in Holmdel, NJ. During the half-time ceremonies, 10 Veterans of Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan and Iraq were recognized from the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, Catholic War Veterans Post 714, US Army Central Jersey Recruiting Company and Community Partner VFW Harold Daley Post 1333. Pictured with the Veterans on the far left is Mr Steven DiMezza, SJVHS Principal.

10th Annual Jackson Township, NJ Wounded Warrior Parade and BBQ

October 7, 2017

The Central Jersey Rifle and Pistol Club (CJRPC) hosted the 10th Annual Wounded Warrior Parade and BBQ in recognition of wounded veterans who served during military conflicts in Iraq, Afghanistan, Vietnam, Korea and World War II. The parade route started at the Jackson, NJ Justice Complex and ended at the CJR&P Club shooting range in Jackson, NJ where several Civic, Military and Veterans organizations provided display/information tables. Following the procession, a large crowd gathered to hear opening remarks by Wounded Warrior program coordinator Al Dolce. Businesses from Jackson, Plumsted and Howell contributed hot dogs, hamburgers, sandwiches, bagels, cake, coffee, soda and water. AUSA Monmouth Chapter VP Education CSM (R) Jack Chlapowski and Board Member Charles Seal chaired the Monmouth Chapter table that displayed AUSA brochures, newsletters, membership applications and give-away items. Two new membership applications were initiated.



Proclamation Presentation Honoring Jackson Township

L to R: Walter Bachmann (CJRPC Chairman), Michael G. Mastronardy (Ocean County Sheriff), Al Dolce (Wounded Warrior Program Coordinator), Mike Reina (Jackson Township Mayor), Kim Guadagno (NJ LT Governor)

Annual Eatontown Community Day

October 7, 2017

The Borough Council of Eatontown, NJ hosted the Annual Eatontown Community Day at Wolcott Park, Eatontown, NJ. Included activities were kids inflatable rides, pony rides, a petting zoo, live music and a variety of food stands. Eatontown Civic organizations and businesses provided display/information tables including Fire Truck, Ambulance and Police displays. COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President, chaired the AUSA Monmouth Chapter table with AUSA Magazines, Newsletters, brochures, membership applications, T-Shirts, pens and give-aways for interested individuals.



L to R: Anthony Talerico, Jr (Eatontown Borough Council President), COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Kelly Colao (Elder, Hope Presbyterian Church, Tinton Falls, NJ)

AUSA “Best Chapter 2017” Streamer Presentation

October 8, 2017

LTG (R) Patricia E. McQuiston, AUSA VP Membership & Meetings, hosted the AUSA Chapter Presidents Reception and Dinner in the Marriott Marquis Ballroom during the 2017 AUSA Annual Meeting & Exposition held in the Walter E Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC. The Keynote Speaker was GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, AUSA President & CEO. The AUSA “Best Chapter 2017” Streamer was presented to COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President by GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, AUSA President & CEO and Mr Thomas W. Rabaut, AUSA, Deputy Chairman.



L to R: GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Mr Thomas W. Rabaut



L to R: LTG (R) Patricia E. McQuiston, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, GEN (R) Carter F. Ham

AUSA “Greatest Reserve Component Increase - 2017” Streamer Presentation

October 9, 2017

LTG (R) Jack Stultz, AUSA Vice Chairman of Guard & Reserve Affairs, hosted the MG Robert G. Moorehead National Guard / Army Reserve Breakfast during the 2017 AUSA Annual Meeting & Exposition held in the Walter E Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC. The Guest Speaker was GEN Robert B. Abrams, Commanding General of the US Army Forces Command. COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President, was presented with the AUSA “Greatest Reserve Component Increase - 2017” Streamer.



L to R: GEN Robert B. Abrams, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, LTG (R) Jack Stultz

AUSA "2017 Major General Anthony J. Drexel Biddle Medal" Presentation October 9, 2017

Over 5,000 AUSA members and guests attended the Opening Ceremony of the 2017 AUSA Annual Meeting & Exposition at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC which was hosted and emceed by GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, AUSA President & CEO. During the ceremony, Mrs Catherine "Kit" Roache, AUSA Monmouth Chapter VP Programs and Community Partner was awarded the AUSA 2017 Major General Anthony J. Drexel Biddle Medal. This medal is awarded annually to the individual who has contributed most significantly to the advancement and mission of AUSA for the year. Presenting the award were GEN (R) Carter F. Ham and LTG (R) Patricia McQuiston, VP Membership & Meetings.



L to R: GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, Kit Roache, LTG (R) Patricia McQuiston

AUSA "Best Chapter 2017" Banner Presentation October 9, 2017

During the Opening Ceremony of the 2017 AUSA Annual Meeting & Exposition at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC, the AUSA Monmouth Chapter was recognized as the AUSA Best Chapter for 2017. Presenting the "Best Chapter 2017" Banner were GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, AUSA President & CEO and LTG (R) Patricia McQuiston, VP Membership & Meetings. Accepting the Banner were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President, Mrs Ellie Smith, AUSA Monmouth Chapter Secretary, and Mr Frank Brogna, NJ Monmouth County Sheriff's Office.

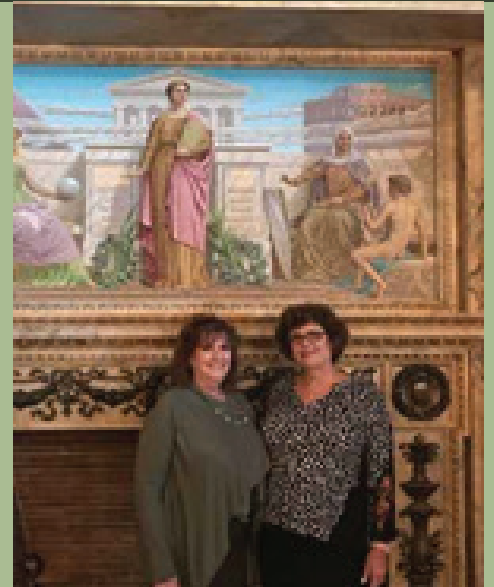


L to R: GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Ellie Smith, Frank Brogna, LTG (R) Patricia McQuiston



VIP Tour of the Library of Congress *October 10, 2017*

AUSA Monmouth Chapter Board Members Kit Roache, VP Programs, and Ellie Smith, Secretary, received a VIP Tour of "The Veterans History Project of the American Folklife Center" in the Library of Congress, Washington, DC. During the tour, they donated letters from a family of three brothers serving overseas during World War I that they found in their godmother's attic. The Veterans History Project collects, preserves, and makes accessible the personal accounts of American War Veterans so that future generations may hear directly from Veterans and better understand the realities of war.



AUSA 2017 George Catlett Marshall Memorial VIP Reception and Dinner *October 11, 2017*

Over 5,000 AUSA members and guests attended the George Catlett Marshall Dinner at the 2017 AUSA Annual Meeting & Exposition at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC which was hosted and emceed by GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, AUSA President & CEO. At the dinner, Mr Gary Sinise, actor, director, musician and founder of the Gary Sinise Foundation, was presented with the George Catlett Marshall Medal, AUSA's most prestigious award, which is awarded annually for selfless service to the United States of America. AUSA Monmouth Chapter board members Mrs Catherine "Kit" Roache, VP Programs, and Mrs Ellie Smith, Secretary were honored with invitations to attend the the pre-dinner Memorial VIP Reception during which they met Gary Sinise, GEN Mark A Milley, Chief of Staff of the Army and MG (R) Richard A. Cody, former Vice Chief of Staff of the Army and current National Chairman for "Homes for Our Troops". MG Cody, Kit and Ellie discussed the possibility of a home-build in Monmouth or Ocean County NJ. Gary Sinise graciously autographed DVDs for inclusion in the 2017 annual Gingerbread Ball "silent auction" fund raiser sponsored by the AUSA Monmouth Chapter to support the Fisher House Foundation. Attendees at the dinner were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President, Mrs Catherine "Kit" Roache, VP Programs, Mrs Ellie Smith, Secretary and Mr Charles Seal, Board Member.



*L to R: Kit Roache,
Gary Sinise,
Ellie Smith*



*L to R: Ellie Smith, GEN Mark A Milley,
Kit Roache*



Visit to NJ Congressman Chris Smith's Office

October 12, 2017

Charles Seal, AUSA Monmouth Chapter Board Member, visited NJ Congressman Chris Smith's Office, 2373 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. In accordance with AUSA's 2017 Member Advocacy Program, the objective of this visit was to discuss the 2011 Budget Control Act (BCA) and to urge Congressman Smith to work with fellow Members of Congress to repeal it, including eliminating sequestration and the caps on discretionary defense spending. As Congressman Smith was away at another function, Mr Seal provided his staff with a personal letter to be given to Congressman Smith outlining the reasons for repealing the 2011 BCA. The following are two paragraphs from this letter: *"Over the past five years, the budget caps of sequestration and the across-the-board budget cuts have prevented the Department of Defense (DoD) from receiving adequate and predictable funding. This puts our forces, and our Nation, at great risk by eroding readiness and seriously hindering maintenance and modernization efforts."* *"Again, I urge you to work together with your fellow Members of Congress to find a better way than sequestration to solve America's budget problems. We can, and must, keep the American people safe."*

Quarterly Veterans Service Council Meeting

October 17, 2017

Mr Frank Brogna, Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, Monmouth County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) hosted the Quarterly Veterans Service Council Meeting at the Public Safety Center, Freehold, NJ. Discussed were strategies for achieving goals and objectives. In attendance was COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President.

Gingerbread Ball "silent auction" Donation Pickup

October 20, 2017

Mrs Ellie Smith, AUSA Monmouth Chapter Secretary and Mrs Marianne Moran (Gingerbread Ball Committee members) picked up donated items for inclusion in beautifully packaged/decorated gift baskets to be displayed at the annual Gingerbread Ball for the "silent auction" the proceeds from which go to support the Fisher House Foundation. The YMCA Togetherhood Group (Chair Alka Rinkus, Co- chair Marianne Moran, YMCA Advisor Crystal Rubins) set up a Gingerbread Ball display and collection area at the Community YMCA, Red Bank, NJ.



Marianne Moran

404th Civil Affairs Battalion (Airborne), Change of Command Ceremony

October 22, 2017

The 404th Civil Affairs Battalion (Airborne) hosted a Change of Command Ceremony at the Jonah E. Kelley US Army Reserve Center, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ. The Guest Speaker was COL Jeffery M. Farris, Commander, 304th Civil Affairs Brigade, Bristol, PA. Following the official Change of Command Ceremony, remarks were provided by outgoing Commander LTC Antonio Martinez and incoming Commander LTC Paul R. Ferreira. AUSA Monmouth Chapter attendees were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President and Charles Seal, Board Member. Also attending was CSM (R) Arthur Maggs, AUSA Dix Chapter President.



L to R: CSM (R) Arthur Maggs, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco LTC Paul R. Ferreira, COL Jeffery M. Farris

Association of Old Crows (AOC), Garden State Chapter, Fall Membership Mixer

October 26, 2017

The Association of Old Crows (AOC), Garden State Chapter, held their Fall Membership Mixer at the InfoAge at Camp Evans, Wall, NJ. This Chapter of the AOC is a Community Partner of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter. All 20+ attendees provided a brief BIO of themselves to assist in the networking objective of the event. Myles Murphy, President AOC Garden State Chapter, provided an overview of the AOC mission/functions and an update of recent activities. Attendees from the AUSA Monmouth Chapter were Kit Roache (VP Programs), Ellie Smith (Secretary), Jan Moren and Charles Seal (Board Members). A tour of the InfoAge facilities was provided by AOC members.



L to R: Charles Seal, Nicole Zaretski, Myles Murphy, Jan Moren



L to R: Gale Grant, Nicole Zaretski, Ellie Smith, Kit Roache

Liberty Gala to Help Us Honor the Armed Forces

October 26, 2017

The NJ Chamber of Commerce hosted a Liberty Gala to Help Us Honor the Armed Forces in New Jersey at the Park Chateau Estate, East Brunswick, NJ. Honorees included Colonel (R) Jack H. Jacobs, US Army Vietnam Veteran and recipient of three Bronze Stars, two Silver Stars, two Purple Hearts and the Medal of Honor for his heroic actions on Mar 9, 1968 during the Vietnam War. The following is an excerpt from his official Medal of Honor citation: ***"...Capt. Jacobs (then 1st Lt.), Infantry,...Although wounded by mortar fragments,...Despite profuse bleeding from head wounds which impaired his vision,...with complete disregard for his safety,...under intense fire...evacuate a seriously wounded adviser...he administered lifesaving first aid. He then returned through heavy automatic weapons fire to evacuate the wounded company commander. Capt. Jacobs made repeated trips across the fire-swept open rice paddies evacuating wounded and their weapons. On three separate occasions, Capt. Jacobs...drove off Viet Cong squads...single-handedly killing three and wounding several others..."*** Attending as guests of Mr Don Tretola, State Chair, NJ Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), were AUSA NJ Chapter Presidents COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Monmouth Chapter, CSM (R) Arthur Maggs, Dix Chapter and Mr Nick Pugliese, Picatinney Arsenal Chapter.



L to R: Medal of Honor Recipient COL (R) Jack H. Jacobs, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco



L to R: CSM (R) Arthur Maggs, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Nick Pugliese

Veteran "Honorary Captains"

October 27, 2017

Community Partner of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, Saint John Vianney High School (SVJHS) hosted 10 Veterans from the NJ Veterans Memorial Home-Menlo Park, Edison, NJ as Veteran "Honorary Captains" during the SVJHS vs Middletown South Varsity Football Game. Attendees included COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President plus 2 SVJHS Faculty Members.



Ken Burns – America's Stories

October 27, 2017



Charles Seal, AUSA Monmouth Chapter Board Member attended Brookdale Community College's 2017 Jack W. Needle Annual History Lecture featuring 15 Emmy Award winner and documentary film maker, Ken Burns, at the Robert Collins Arena, Brookdale Community College, Lincroft, NJ. Attendance in the 2000 seat arena was sold out. Introductory remarks were presented by Brookdale's retired History Professor Jack W. Needle which was followed by a video retrospective of Mr. Burns' 40 years of film making. The segments in this video were chosen by Mr. Burns as his most favorite and significant work. The remainder of the event was an arm chair, one-on-one, Q&A and discussion session hosted by Brookdale's

current History Professor Jess LeVine. Mr. Burns' answers/discussion were very informative and illustrated the exceptional knowledge, insight and perspective that he possesses concerning the subject matter of his films to include his opinions concerning past and current events that have formed our American history. Mr. Burns autographed the DVDs of his latest documentary "The Vietnam War" which were included in the silent auction of the Monmouth Chapter's Dec 2017 fundraising Holiday Gala, "The Gingerbread Ball", to benefit the Fisher House Foundation. The Monmouth Chapter presented Mr. Burns with a complimentary invitation to attend the Gingerbread Ball.

Fall 2017 Scarlet Knight Battalion ROTC Muster

November 1, 2017



Charles Seal, Monmouth Chapter Board Member, attended the Fall 2017 Scarlet Knight Battalion ROTC Muster, hosted by the Northern NJ Chapter at the Rutgers Club, Livingston Commons, Rutgers University,

Piscataway, NJ. Attendance topped 100 including 24 Rutgers ROTC seniors in the Rutgers ROTC Scarlet Knight BN. COL (R) Dennis Dougherty, Northern NJ Chapter President and First Region President, provided the opening remarks and set the tone for the evening – How the mission of the Army ROTC develops the future leaders of the US Army. Guest speakers included LTG (R) Guy Swan, AUSA National VP for Education, MAJ Kevin Siegrist, Rutgers University Professor of Military Science and Cadet LTC Stephen Morancie, Commander of the ROTC Scarlet Knight BN.

The Northern NJ Chapter presented the AUSA Award for Distinguished Service to three recipients: COL (R) Michael L. Warner, President and founder of SMH International, a Service Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB); SGT (R) Robert W. Looby, Veterans Service Council member of the State of NJ Governor's Office and the family of the late COL Stanley L. Lapidow. The Lapidow Scholarship Fund provides 100% of donated funds to the Rutgers ROTC Scarlet Knight BN. The Lapidow family presented its annual COL Stanley L. Lapidow Outstanding Achievement Award to a deserving Cadet.

Veterans Administration Semi-Annual Veterans Service Organizations (VSO) Training Seminar

November 2, 2017

AUSA Monmouth Chapter members COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President; Kit Roache, VP Programs; Ellie Smith, Secretary; CPT Robert Roma, National Guard Liaison and LTC (R) Joe Bucco, Board Member attended the Veterans Administration Semi-Annual VSO Training Seminar at the 254th National Guard Training Center, Sea Girt, NJ. The Guest Speaker was Mr Vincent Immitti, Director of the VA NJ Health Care System (VANJHCS). Ellie Smith and Mr Immitti began a dialogue aimed at establishing a support mission for AUSA to assist in the beginning phases of a possible Fisher House build at the East Orange Campus of the VANJHCS. Mr Immitti and AUSA are greatly interested in pursuing this endeavor and pledged to establish follow-on meetings.



L to R: Vincent Immitti, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco

Retirement Party

November 3, 2017

AUSA Monmouth Chapter Community Partner New Jersey Vietnam Veterans Memorial Foundation (NJVVMF) and Ms Sarah Taggart, Executive Director hosted a surprise Retirement Party for Mr Bill Linderman, outgoing Executive Director. Attendance included Ms Susan Divila, AUSA NJ State President and COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President. In behalf of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, COL (R) Fuoco presented Mr Linderman with a Wine Bottle Gift Set.



L to R: COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Susan Divila, Bill Linderman



Presentation of Wine Bottle Gift Set

Athena Awards Luncheon

November 3, 2017

The Monmouth Regional Chamber of Commerce hosted the Athena Awards Luncheon at the Battleground Country Club, Matawan, NJ. Representing the AUSA Monmouth Chapter were Kit Roache, VP Programs, Ellie Smith, Secretary and Terry Madden, Board Member. The Speaker was Mr David Salkin, Executive Director of the Monmouth Regional Chamber of Commerce. The ATHENA award honors an individual for business or professional accomplishments, for community service and especially for mentoring others and providing a role model to encourage women to achieve their full leadership potential. The AUSA representatives networked with "iPlay America" representatives who donated a gift basket for AUSA Gingerbread Ball silent auction benefiting the Fisher House Foundation. "iPlay America", in Freehold, NJ, is a 4 acre indoor entertainment facility that offers eleven indoor rides, exciting attractions, over 200 arcade games, party rooms and multiple concessions and is the perfect place to host a Sweet Sixteen, Bar or Bat Mitzvah, Prom, Holiday Party, or Corporate Team Building. The Battleground Country Club also donated a gift basket for the AUSA silent auction.

2017 Philadelphia Veterans Parade

November 5, 2017

Charles Seal, Monmouth Chapter Board Member attended the 2017 Philadelphia Veterans Parade in Philadelphia, PA. More than 150 organizations, including 34 Veteran Service Organizations (VSOs) and over 3,000 individuals participated in the 2017 Philadelphia Veterans Parade to honor the sacrifices of our Veterans in the tri-state region. The parade kicked off at 12:30 pm from JFK Blvd and North 16th Street, continued around City Hall, heading east on Market Street and ended at North 5th Street.

Following the parade was the Veterans Festival on Market street between North 5th Street and North 2nd Street. The festival featured live entertainment, a beer garden, food trucks, a rock-climbing wall, face painting, balloon artists and more. VSOs set up tables to provide information/opportunities to both veterans and the public. Notable attendees included United States Secretary of Veterans Affairs, David Shulkin; Grand Marshal, COL (R) Walter J. Marm, Jr, the only living Medal of Honor recipient from Pennsylvania; 2016 Grand Marshal, Tuskegee Airman Gene Richardson; Philadelphia Mayor, Jim Kenney; Congressman Bob Brady; Congressman Dwight Evans; City Council President Darrell L. Clarke and the President of the Philadelphia Veterans Parade, Anthony Murphy.



WWII Battle of the Bulge SSGT Norbert J McGettigan & family



Medal Of Honor Recipient COL (R) Walter J. Marm, Jr

CNHS Naval Junior ROTC (NJROTC) Collection Drive November 6, 2017

The Naval Junior ROTC (NJROTC) Academy of Colts Neck High School (CNHS), NJ collected 600+ lbs of much needed and appreciated supplies for our Overseas Troops during their Soldier Support Club Collection Drive. These supplies were subsequently shipped overseas via the American Recreational Military Services (ARMS). Pictured with COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President (far left) and Major (R) Gregory Penczak USMC, CNHS NJROTC Senior Naval Science Instructor (far right) are CNHS NJROTC Cadets and Soldier Support Club Members.



High School National Honor Society Students "Served those who Served" November 8, 2017

The NJ Veterans Memorial Home-Menlo Park, a Community Partner of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, hosted the National Honor Society Students of Saint John Vianney High School (SJVHS), also a Monmouth Chapter Community Partner. The students assisted the staff in transporting residents to and from their daily activities of trivia games, exercises and bowling. In addition, the students were "there for the residents" treating them with dignity, respect and love while brightening their day. Monmouth Chapter President COL (R) Samuel Fuoco and SJVHS Assistant Athletic Director Pat Smith presided over this event.



Veterans Day Celebration

November 9, 2017

The Eaton Power Management Corporation and Ms Jane Buonocore, Sr Human Resources Business Partner hosted a Veterans Day Celebration at their facility in Long Branch, NJ. Invited as Guest Speaker was COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President who presented Certificates to all Veterans employed by Eaton. Accompanying COL Fuoco were Mrs Kit Roache, VP Progams and Mrs Ellie Smith, Secretary of AUSA Monmouth Chapter. Eaton is dedicated to improving people's lives and the environment with power management technologies that are more reliable, efficient, safe and sustainable and does business in more than 175 countries with over 96,000 employees.



L to R: Jane Buonocore, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Kit Roache, Ellie Smith



Veterans Day & Wreath Laying Ceremony

November 11, 2017

As part of the NJ Vietnam Veterans Memorial Foundation Veterans Day & Wreath Laying Ceremony, the AUSA Monmouth Chapter presented a Wreath at the NJ Vietnam Veterans Memorial (NJVVM) in Holmdel Township, NJ. The Wreath Laying representatives were Monmouth Chapter President COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Vietnam Veteran and Chapter Board Member Jan Moren and US Army Recruiting Station - Tinton Falls, NJ SFC Stephen Baltazar. The Guest Speaker was NJ Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno. The NJVVM honors those from NJ who served in the Vietnam War, especially the 1,562 men and one woman who were killed or missing in action.



L to R: Jan Moren, NJ LT Gov Kim Guadagno, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, SFC Stephen Baltazar

Dedication Ceremony and Unveiling of the Korea Defense Veterans Memorial

November 11, 2017

Attending the Dedication Ceremony and unveiling of the Korea Defense Veterans Memorial from the AUSA Monmouth Chapter was Charles Seal, Chapter Board Member. The Dedication Ceremony took place at the NJ Korean War Memorial, Atlantic City, NJ. There were 50+ attendees including Korean War Veterans, Korea Defense Veterans, NJ State and Atlantic City Officials, 2nd Infantry Division Association members, the Harmonics Quartet and guests. Opening remarks were provided by Thomas McHugh, National Director of the Korean War Veterans Association.

Guest speakers were BG Edward J. Chrystal, Jr, Deputy Adjutant General for the NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and Colonel (R) Michael L. Davino, past National President of the 2nd Infantry Division Association. Their remarks included many examples of the under-reported incidents of lives lost due to hostile attacks by North Korea since the 1953 signing of the Korean Armistice Agreement. Since 1953, over 1243 American Military and 2400 Korean Military have died in Korea and thousands more have served. It is thus fitting and proper to recognize and honor all who served and all who died since the Armistice. The Korea Defense Veterans Memorial is that recognition. The Memorial Unveiling was accompanied with a Wreath presentation. The Dedication Ceremony ended with a picture taking session.



Korea Defense Veterans Memorial

LT Dennis W. Zilinski II Memorial Fund Run/Walk

November 12, 2017

The LT Dennis W. Zilinski II Memorial Fund, Community Partner of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, hosted a 3.5 Mile Run/2 Mile Walk at PNC Bank Arts Center, Holmdel, NJ. Guest Speakers were Dennis & Marion Zilinski. Representing the AUSA Monmouth Chapter were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Chapter President, and Kit Roache, VP Programs. First LT Dennis W. Zilinski, II died on November 19, 2005 during combat operations in Iraq, while serving with the 101st Airborne Division. To honor his memory, his parents, Dennis & Marion Zilinski, created the Lt. Dennis W. Zilinski II Memorial Fund in 2006. The Fund provides support to improve the morale and welfare of members of the United States Armed Forces and their families, to include providing scholarships and sponsoring service dogs for Warriors.



GI GO Fund Veterans Networking Gala

November 17, 2017

The GI GO Fund and Mr Jack Fanous, GI GO Fund Co-Founder and Executive Director hosted the Veterans Networking Gala at the Hilton Newark Penn Station, Newark, NJ to Meet, Greet, Network and Build Business Relationships with Corporate Professionals and Fellow Military Veterans. The GI Go Fund is a nonprofit charitable organization that provides assistance to all Military Veterans with a focus on Veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan by helping them find employment, access to housing, and assisting to secure their educational, financial and health benefit interests. Attendees included COL (R) Dennis Dougherty, AUSA First Region President; COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President and CSM (R) Arthur Maggs, AUSA Dix Chapter President.



VFW Post 2226 Monthly Meeting

November 21, 2017

COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, attended the monthly meeting of VFW Post 2226 at Oakhurst, NJ during which he briefed the mission of AUSA, "Voice for the Army - Support for the Soldier", and the Collection Drive for Troops Overseas.

"Christmas with the First Ladies" Book Signing

November 26, 2017

The Friends of Washington Crossing Park sponsored a "Coffee with Coleen – meet-and-greet" Book Signing event at the Washington Crossing Historic Park Visitor Center and Museum, Washington Crossing, PA. Over 100 interested individuals attended the Book Signing by holiday designer and author, Coleen Christian Burke concerning her book "Christmas with the First Ladies". Following the signing session, Coleen discussed her book which illustrates the White House Christmas decorating styles of the ten First Ladies from Jackie Kennedy through Michelle Obama. Coleen also revealed many of her own personal experiences while being on the White House decorating team for 3 years with Laura Bush and Michelle Obama. In attendance was Charles Seal, AUSA Monmouth Chapter Board Member, who obtained a donation (signed book and ceramic collectible from the new "Coleen Christian Burke First Ladies Collection" by Fritz & Floyd) from Ms Burke. This donation was included in the Silent Auction of the Monmouth Chapter's Dec 2017 fundraising Holiday Gala, "The Gingerbread Ball", to benefit the Fisher House Foundation.



L to R: Coleen Christian Burke, Charles Seal

High School Boys Soccer Team "Served those who Served"

November 29, 2017

The NJ Veterans Memorial Home-Menlo Park, a Community Partner of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, hosted the High School Boys Soccer Team of Saint John Vianney High School (SVJHS), also a Monmouth Chapter Community Partner. The students assisted the staff in transporting residents to and from their daily activities of exercises, bowling and shuffleboard. In addition, the students were "there for the residents" treating them with dignity, respect and love while brightening their day. Monmouth Chapter President COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Dean of Students Mr Brian Grimm and Athletic Director Mr Pat Smith presided over this event.



“LIFTING THE CLOUDS OF WAR: Music of World War II” Show

November 29, 2017

Over 50 individuals attended the “Lifting the Clouds of War: Music of World War II” Show presented by “Down Melody Lane”, the musical duo of Barry Rosenzweig and Gilda Healy, at the Manalapan Public Library, Manalapan, NJ. In addition to singing a selection of songs from over 50 songs popular during the WWII Era, the duo provided many interesting facts about the music and its impact on the lives of both Soldiers and Civilians during WWII. Representing the AUSA Monmouth Chapter were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President and Charles Seal, Board Member.



L to R: Barry Rosenzweig, Gilda Healy, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco



Seminar on “Veteran Services”

November 30, 2017

AUSA Monmouth Chapter Community Partner Codacovi & Associates and the New Jersey Community Bank sponsored a "Seminar on Veteran Services" event at the New Jersey Community Bank in Freehold, NJ. Introductory remarks were given by Ms Maria Ricciardi of Codacovi & Associates and Mr Scott Codacovi, Financial Advisor & Managing Partner of Codacovi & Associates provided additional remarks including an announcement that the first Veterans Chamber of Commerce has been formed. The Guest Speaker for the event was Freeholder John P Curley, Monmouth County Board of Freeholders. Attending from the AUSA Monmouth Chapter were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President and Charles Seal, Board Member.



*L to R: COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, John P Curley,
Scott Codacovi, Maria Ricciardi*

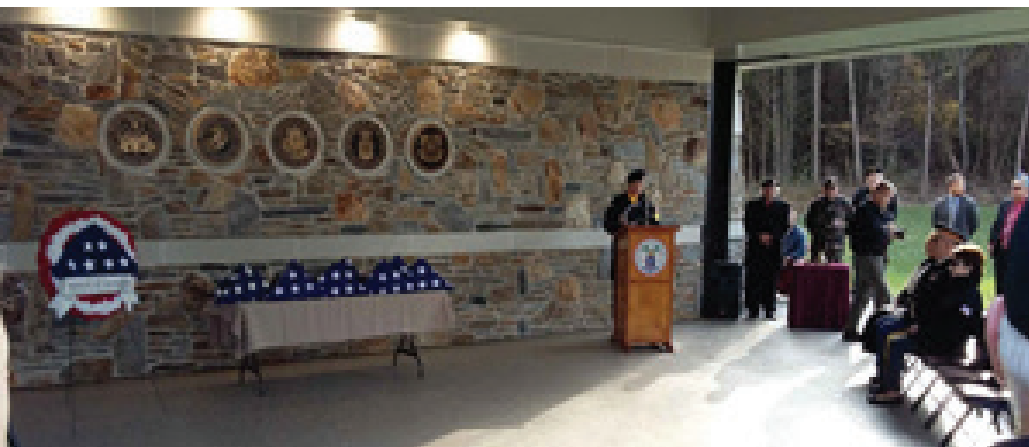


NJ's Mission Of Honor (NJMOH)

26th Committal Ceremony

November 30, 2017

Over 150 Veteran Supporters, including a large turnout of American Legion members, came to the BG William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Wrightstown, NJ to witness NJ's Mission Of Honor (NJMOH) 26th Committal Ceremony. Dignitaries included Kim Guadagno, NJ Lieutenant Governor and COL William L. Peace, Sr, Resource Manager, Joint Force Headquarters, NJ National Guard. During this 26th Committal Ceremony, the remains of nine abandoned Veterans (one abandoned for 35 years) were laid to rest with Military Honors. The mission of NJMOH is locate, identify and inter the unclaimed, orphaned or abandoned remains of American Veterans in order to provide honor and respect to those who have served this Country in time of peace and conflict. Representing the AUSA Monmouth Chapter was Charles Seal, Board Member.



Gingerbread Ball

December 2, 2017

The AUSA Monmouth Chapter co-hosted the Gingerbread Ball at the Ocean Place Resort and Spa (a Monmouth Chapter Community Partner), Long Branch, NJ. The other four co-hosts were the Garden State Chapter of the Association of Old Crows (AOC) (a Monmouth Chapter Community Partner), the Greater Monmouth Chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA), the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the Army Aviation Association of America (AAAA) and the New Jersey Bakers Board of Trade (NJBBT) who has agreed to become a Community Partner of the Monmouth Chapter. This event, **the "Jewel in the Crown" of the Monmouth Chapter Program**, attracted over 235 attendees including Miss New Jersey 2017, Kaitlyn Schoeffel, as a special guest who was available for photos with Gingerbread Ball attendees throughout the evening. All proceeds from the event (over \$65,000) were donated to the Fisher House Foundation, a 501(c)3 Not For Profit Organization. A Fisher House is a "Home Away From Home" for the families of Military and Veterans who are receiving medical care at major Military and VA Medical Centers of Excellence. There are 75 Fisher Houses located in the United States, Germany and United Kingdom located within walking distances of the Medical Centers or have transportation available. Since 1990, the Fisher House Foundation has served over 305, 000 families and provided over \$400M in free lodging costs and 7M days of free lodging. The Gingerbread Ball featured a Gingerbread House Competition with a Village Display complete with a running locomotive and train, a VIP Reception, a cocktail hour with Hors D'oeuvres, dinner, dancing and live music by the Jazz Lobsters. Also featured throughout the evening was a Silent Auction of 85 decorated Holiday Gift Baskets containing donated items that were complemented with a variety of professional sports and celebrity memorabilia. Total auction sales netted \$7,000. Guest Speakers were GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, AUSA President and CEO, and Mr. Brian Gawne, VP of Community Affairs, Fisher House Foundation. All 4 of the NJ AUSA Chapter Presidents attended as well as the AUSA First Region President, COL (R) Dennis Dougherty, and the AUSA NJ State President, Sue Divila. NJ Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling presented the Monmouth Chapter with a New Jersey State Resolution commending the Monmouth Chapter for their outstanding community assistance to NJ Soldiers, Veterans and their Families. Also Assemblyman Houghtaling presented a New Jersey State Resolution to Mrs Catherine "Kit" Roache, AUSA Monmouth Chapter VP Programs and Community Partner, recognizing her as the 2017 recipient of the AUSA Major General Anthony J. Drexel Biddle Medal. This Resolution also commends Ms Roache and the Fisher House Foundation for their dedication to our Military, our Veterans and their Families. A Special Thanks goes out from the Monmouth Chapter to all its Individual Members, Board Members and Community Partners and other associations who generously participated with sponsorships, underwriting, ads, donations and their time to make this Gingerbread Ball a highly successful event that was enjoyed by all participants.



Gingerbread House Competition and Village Display. L to R: Robert Crenshaw III (Judge & AVP of Inspired Foods, LLC), Dale Biles (Judge & President of NJBBT), Ken Downey (Judge & former President of NJBBT), Kit Roache (Gingerbread Ball Committee Chair), Yvonne Bova & Charles Seal (Gingerbread Ball Committee)



L to R: COL (R) Samuel Fuoco with wife Frances, Kit Roache, GEN (R) Carter F. Ham



NJ Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling presents COL (R) Samuel Fuoco (President of AUSA Monmouth Chapter) with a New Jersey State Resolution commending the Monmouth Chapter for their outstanding community assistance to NJ Soldiers, Veterans and their Families. L to R: COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, Eric Houghtaling, Kaitlyn Schoeffel (Miss New Jersey 2017), Brian Gawne (VP of Community Relations, Fisher House Foundation)

Gingerbread Ball



NJ Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling presents Kit Roache (Monmouth Chapter VP of Programs and Gingerbread Ball Chair) and Brian Gawne (VP of Community Relations, Fisher House Foundation) with a New Jersey State Resolution commending their dedication to our Military, our Veterans and their Families. In particular, the Resolution recognizes Ms Roache as the 2017 recipient of the AUSA Major General Anthony J. Drexel Biddle Medal. L to R: Eric Houghtaling, Kit Roache, Brian Gawne, Kaitlyn Schoeffel (Miss New Jersey 2017)



Monmouth Chapter Presentation (Valet with Battle of Monmouth Picture Inlay) to GEN Ham L to R: Kit Roache, GEN (R) Carter F. Ham, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco



Donation Presentation to Fisher House Foundation

L to R: Kit Roache (Monmouth Chapter VP of Programs and Gingerbread Ball Chair), Brian Gawne (VP of Community Relations, Fisher House Foundation), COL (R) Myles Murphy (President of AOC Garden State Chapter), Ms Donna Petro (President of AFCEA Greater Monmouth Chapter), COL (R) Samuel Fuoco (President of AUSA Monmouth Chapter)

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254th Regiment, New Jersey Army National Guard (NJANG) Holiday Party

December 3, 2017

COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, attended a Holiday Party hosted by the 254th Regiment of the NJANG at the Joint Training and Training Development Center (JT2DC), Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst (JBMDL), NJ. Welcoming remarks were provided by COL John K Petrera, Commander of the 254th Regiment. The Monmouth Chapter donated 21 Gingerbread Houses valued at \$1050 which were raffled off to family members. The 254th Regiment trains Soldiers in response to the Army's current needs and Operational Environment (OE). Additionally, the 254th Regiment provides administrative, logistical, resource management and operational support, as required, to accomplish the mission to safely train the Army Warrior.



*L to R: SFC Matthew D Sams, COL (R) Samuel Fuoco,
COL John K Petrera*

"Rochambeau at Princeton" Lecture

December 6, 2017



L to R: Dr Robert A Selig, Kip Cherry

The Princeton Public Library, Princeton, NJ sponsored a "Rochambeau at Princeton" Lecture along with co-sponsors from several historical societies and associations. At the invitation of Kip Cherry, VP of the Princeton Battlefield Society, the AUSA Monmouth Chapter Board Member Charles Seal attended. Before a gathering of over 125 history enthusiasts, Dr Robert A Selig, Historical Consultant and expert on Comte de Rochambeau, presented the sequence of events in the last months of the Revolutionary War that led to the British surrender. He outlined how George Washington and Comte de Rochambeau collaborated, out-witted and out-maneuvered two British Generals, Sir Henry Clinton in New York City and Charles Cornwallis in Yorktown, VA. On August 19, 1781, Rochambeau's French Expeditionary Force joined Washington's Continental Army near Princeton, NJ and

began a 41 day allied march to Yorktown, VA. The route was officially designated the "Washington-Rochambeau National Historic Trail" in 2009. On Sep 28, 1781, the Battle of Yorktown began and after three weeks of allied non-stop bombardment, both day and night, from cannon and artillery, Cornwallis surrendered to Washington on Oct 17, 1781 which effectively ended the American's War for Independence with Victory. It is interesting to note that there has not been any conclusive explanation of why British General Sir Henry Clinton, with a superior force in New York City, did not launch an attack in the fall of 1780 on the inferior forces of the combined Continental and French Armies which, some say, could have reversed the outcome of the Revolutionary War.

Monmouth Regional Chamber of Commerce (MRCC), Holiday Party

December 7, 2017

The MRCC hosted a Holiday Party at the Bella Vista Country Club, Marlboro, NJ. Attending from the AUSA Monmouth Chapter with a Table of 10 sponsorship were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President with wife Frances; Mrs Kit Roache, VP Programs with husband Peter; Mr Jan Moren, Board Member with Ms Carrie Young; LTC (R) Richard Gaudio, Treasurer with wife Laurel and Mr Charles Seal, Board Member with wife Eileen. Also attending were two AUSA Monmouth Chapter Community Partners, Lotus Blossom Psychotherapy and Eatontown Industrial Parks Association.



AUSA Monmouth Chapter Table



MRCC Executive Table

OceanFirst Foundation Non Profit Leadership Meeting

December 8, 2017

The OceanFirst Foundation hosted a by-invitation-only Non Profit Leadership Meeting at the Manasquan Golf Club, Brielle, NJ. Over 300 non-profit organizations from Monmouth and Ocean Counties attended this breakfast venue event. Representing AUSA Monmouth Chapter was Kit Roache, VP Programs. The OceanFirst Foundation provides grants that help families, organizations, schools and communities in central and southern NJ. OceanFirst presented their 2018 Grant Opportunities. The Monmouth Chapter identified the following grants to apply for: Good Neighbor Grants Event and Program Support, Home Runs for Heroes focusing on Active Duty Military and Veterans, Major Grants and Scholarship Program Grants. This networking event yielded a prospective Community Partner for the Monmouth Chapter - the Kiely Family of Companies headquartered in Tinton Falls, NJ.

65th Annual Crossing Reenactment of George Washington Crossing the Delaware December 10, 2017

Representing the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, Board Member Charles Seal attended the 65th Annual Reenactment of George Washington's historic crossing of the Delaware River from PA into NJ. The reenactment was hosted by the Washington Crossing Foundation at the Washington Crossing Historic Park, Washington Crossing, NJ. A crowd of over 400 watched as about 200 reenactors, dressed in Continental Army uniforms, reenacted the Crossing of the Delaware. Serving as Guest Narrator was MG Troy D. Kok, Commanding General of the 99th Regional Support Command at Joint Base MDL, NJ. On the night of Christmas Eve, 1776, George Washington led America's Continental Army of 2,400 soldiers, several horses and 18 cannons across the 300 yard wide, ice filled Delaware River in below freezing temperatures, sleet and snow. At 4 AM on Christmas Day the Army marched 10 miles towards Trenton, NJ and at 8 AM engaged roughly 1,380 British paid Hessian soldiers which was the start of the Battle of Trenton. By noon, the Hessians had surrendered to Washington's force. This battle gave the Continental Congress a new confidence, as it proved colonial forces could defeat the British regulars. Many historians consider the Battle of Trenton to be a major turning point of the American Revolution which ended victoriously for the American's at the Battle of Yorktown in 1781.



"Crossing the Delaware" PA Site of Departure



MG Troy D. Kok, Guest Narrator



Crossing Reenactment



*George Washington Reenactor,
John Godzieba*



George Washington's Pre-Crossing Rallying Speech



L to R: Col (R) Larry Rubini, MG Troy D. Kok



*Continental Army
Preparation for Crossing*

Washington Crossing Historic Park (WCHP) Centennial Awards Ceremony

December 10, 2017

Representing the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, Board Member Charles Seal attended the WCHP Centennial Awards Ceremony to honor individuals who have contributed to the development and operation of WCHP. This ceremony was hosted by The Friends of Washington Crossing Park and held in the WCHP Visitor Center, Washington Crossing, NJ. Several of 75+ attendees also participated in the 65th Annual Crossing Reenactment held earlier in the day and were thus dressed in authentic Continental Army uniforms. Five awardees were recognized for their outstanding contributions and years of dedicated service to the WCHP. Among the recipients was COL (R) Daniel "Larry" Rubini who was presented with the Patriot Award. COL Rubini is the Army Reserve Ambassador for PA, AUSA member, member of the Washington Crossing Re-enactors Society and the chair of The Friends of Washington Crossing Park Reenactors Operations Committee. Presenting the award to COL Rubini was the reenactor who played George Washington, John Godzieba, chief of the Langhorne, PA Police Department.



COL (R) Daniel "Larry" Rubini



L to R: Dalia Valentine (First Chair, NJ Republican Organization), John Godzieba (George Washington Reenactor), Charles Seal (AUSA Monmouth Chapter Board Member)

10th Annual 77th Sustainment Brigade Holiday Event

December 10, 2017

COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, attended the 10th Annual Holiday Event hosted by the 77th Sustainment Brigade, US Army Reserves (USAR) at the Major John Pryor USAR Center, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst (JBMDL), NJ. Welcoming remarks were provided by COL Pamela L McGaha, Commander, 77th Sustainment Brigade. The Monmouth Chapter donated two Holiday Gift Baskets valued at \$175 which were raffled off to family members. The 77th Sustainment Brigade inherited the lineage and honors of the 77th Infantry Division and its soldiers wear the "Statue of Liberty" patch, which has been associated with the 77th since it was first organized at the time of World War I.



L to R: LTC Thomas P Sullivan, CSM Brian Ladlee, COL Pamela L McGaha



L to R: COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, COL Pamela L McGaha



High school Girls Basketball Team “Serve God's Children” *December 11, 2017*

The Girls Basketball Team of Saint John Vianney High School (SJVHS), a Monmouth Chapter Community Partner, went on a field trip to the "Feeding ALL of God's Children" Soup Kitchen in Freehold, NJ. They collected, transported and helped serve food to a much appreciated group of over 60 people, many of whom were homeless. Accompanying the girls were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, AUSA Monmouth Chapter President, and SJVHS basketball coaches.



Eatontown Industrial Parks Association Holiday Party *December 12, 2017*

The Eatontown Industrial Parks Association (EIPA), hosted its Holiday Party at the Sheraton Eatontown Hotel, Eatontown, NJ. Both EIPA and the Sheraton Eatontown Hotel are Community Partners of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter. Attending from the Monmouth Chapter were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President; Kit Roache, VP Programs; Ellie Smith, Secretary and LTC (R) Rich Gaudio, Treasurer. A Monmouth Chapter vendor table was set up to highlight AUSA Membership opportunities and display, for sale, Holiday Gift Baskets. A total of 4 baskets were sold and the proceeds donated to the Fisher House Foundation. Joining AUSA as a Monmouth Chapter Community Partner was the “Caring Tree”, a new Eatontown business. Caring Tree is an Adult Medical Daycare facility that is dedicated to bettering the lives of Seniors by providing them with care, security and socialization in a home environment feeling.



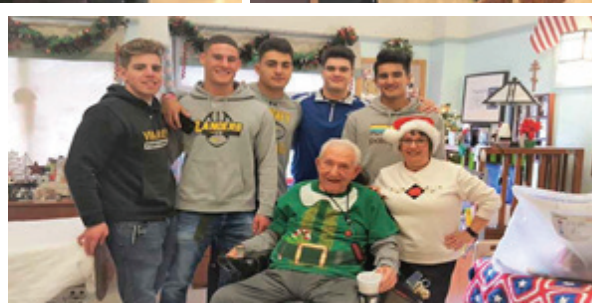
*L to R: Kit Roache, COL
(R) Samuel Fuoco, Ellie
Smith*

Monmouth Regional Chamber of Commerce Weekly Perkolator Breakfast Meeting December 15, 2017

The Monmouth Regional Chamber of Commerce (MRCC) hosted its weekly Perkolator Breakfast Meeting at the All Seasons Diner, Eatontown, NJ. Both MRCC and the All Seasons Diner are AUSA Monmouth Chapter Community Partners. Attending from the Monmouth Chapter were COL (R) Samuel Fuoco, President; Kit Roache, VP Programs and Ellie Smith, Secretary. Also in attendance was Kim Guadagno, New Jersey LT Governor, who discussed her continued support to AUSA in the future. COL Fuoco gave a 5 minute brief covering the AUSA mission of "Voice for the Army - Support for the Soldier" which was followed by an after-action report by Kit Roache concerning the Gingerbread Ball held on Dec 02, 2017. Joining AUSA as a Monmouth Chapter Community Partner was Jackie Berman, an Independent Associate of LegalShield/IDShield in Manalapan, NJ that provides affordable legal services through LegalShield and Identity Theft Monitoring and restoration through IDShield. AUSA was graciously allowed to sell chances for a Holiday Gift Basket from the Gingerbread Ball, with the proceeds donated to the Fisher House Foundation.

High School Boys Football Team "Served those who Served" December 20, 2017

The NJ Veterans Memorial Home-Menlo Park, a Community Partner of the AUSA Monmouth Chapter, hosted the High School Boys Football Team of Saint John Vianney High School (SJVHS), also a Monmouth Chapter Community Partner. The students delivered 300+ Christmas Gift Bags to the home's residents and then transported residents to and from activities. In addition to spreading Holiday Cheer throughout the home, the students displayed sincere compassion and respect and brightened the day for all residents by just being present. AUSA Monmouth Chapter President COL (R) Samuel Fuoco and SJVHS Assistant Athletic Director Pat Smith presided over this event.





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