

**Winter 2020**

February 1, 2020

**In this issue:** Our January meeting was a safari of information about saving wildlife right in our own backyard.

**And:** Our Chapter presented a check to the Coastal Georgia Honor Flight.

**Finally:** Plans for annual Installation of Officers.

# The MOAA Messenger

## January Meeting

Stephanie Rutan brought KBMOAA a fascinating program about how the White Oak Conservation Center works to propagate endangered species.



*Stephanie shares an illustrated story of various species of both domestic and exotic wildlife that are cared for at White Oak Conservation Center.*

One of Howard Gilman's lasting legacies was the establishment of a 17,000 acre conservation reserve in Northeast Florida on the banks of the St Marys River. This site evolved from a private reserve to a world renowned conservation center over the course of 80+ years. For those who want to visit White Oak, there are various ways to do so. By visiting their web site (link below) you can see different tours offered by the Center.

**For more information:** <http://www.whiteoakwildlife.org/>

**NEXT MEETING:** February 18, 2020, 5:30 PM Social hour, 6:30 Dinner and Program: General Robert Magnus and Installation of Officers  
Location: Osprey Cove, Morgan's Grill

## KBMOAA Makes Major Gift to Coastal Georgia Honor Flight



Thanks to two of our members, KBMOAA was able to increase this year's contribution to Coastal Georgia Honor Flight to \$1,100. Ron Ritchie and Len Scullion made generous gifts to KBMOAA to match our Chapter's donation to the program. Pictured here (L to R) are Ron Ritchie, Fred Boyles and James Vevenzio, who represents Coastal Georgia Honor Flight. If any members would like to contribute to Honor Flight or just to learn more about this wonderful program, follow the link below.

Here's the link: <https://www.coastalgeorgiahonorflight.org/>

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### Upcoming Programs:

- Feb 18 – General Robert Magnus and Installation of Officers
  - Mar 17 – Jessica Warren, Georgia State Extension Service
  - Apr 21 – K-9s for Warriors
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### Coming Up:

The February meeting is our annual Installation of Officers. As is traditional, military formal dress or service dress may be worn. We have had a change in the program as VADM Al Konetzni was scheduled to be our speaker but will not be able to do so. In his place, General Bob Magnus will be our speaker. A Marine Aviator, General Magnus retired as Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps with 38 years of service in 2008. Please mark this date on your calendar to hear from one of our own members say thank you to our officers stepping down and welcome those who are assuming new leadership roles in the Chapter.

**Semper fidelis**



