



AMMO Chiefs Association, Mid-Atlantic Chapter 2016 Annual Report



The AMMO Chiefs Association Mid-Atlantic Chapter (ACAMC) submits the following 2016 Annual Report to the ACA for review and filing in historical records:

2016 was another banner year for the ACAMC. We held three meetings during the year followed by social events. Each meeting reached a quorum with the proxies from absent members. Additionally, some of our members participated in two fundraising events at the Richmond International Raceway (RIR) in April and September. The Joint Base Langley-Eustis, VA Ammo Morale Team (AMT) assisted us at RIR and we donated a substantial portion of the RIR proceeds to them to assist with their programs. To maximize participation at meetings, we varied our meeting locations to optimize travel for our regional members. This year we held our March meeting at the HQ ACC Munitions Directorate and our September meeting took place at Captain Billy's Seafood Restaurant in Newburg, MD. We finished out the year at Bill McCullough's house in Fredericksburg, VA for our December meeting. We had to cancel our June meeting due to lack of participation.

Our main efforts continued to focus on supporting personnel initiatives such as the Ammo Troops-in- Need program during the Christmas holiday season, recognition of Quarterly/Annual Award winners, recognizing Sharp Ammo Troops, taking care of our Ammo family in our area of responsibility, and Care Packages for the Ammo troops in austere locations. This year we received donations from the ACA, outside organizations, and individuals for the Care Package program for our Ammo troops stationed in four remote areas of Southwest Asia. Jackie Miller put together packages comprised of over \$1,050.00 in June and \$1,850.00 in December worth of goodies (including postage) for the Ammo troops. We received "Thank You" e-mails from a couple of the recipients and they were extremely pleased with the content of the packages. We appreciate all of the support we received for this ACAMC program! A special thanks again goes out to Jackie Miller for gathering, packaging, and shipping all of the items.

Our First Term Sharp Ammo Troop this year was selected from three packages. The winner was SrA Jonathan Schwartz from the NJ Air National Guard. Jack got the \$50.00 Visa card, Chapter coin, and certificate to him.

The Chapter evaluated seven Ammo Troops-in-Need packages and determined four were worthy of our help. Our program helped troops at Langley, Shaw, Charleston, and Seymour-Johnson AFBs. Each troop was treated to a shopping trip valued at over \$285.00.

2016 was not the healthiest year for our members and families. Frank Waterman and George Heinlein are recovering from back surgery. Bill McCullough and Yvonne Watts both had hip issues that took them out of commission for awhile. Bill had his left hip replaced in October and is fully recovered. Angela Nye had complications from her appendix removal and had to be readmitted to the hospital.

Our membership remains at 22 voting members. In addition, we welcomed Bob Yeager as our newest Associate member bringing our total to five Associates.

Our fundraising consisted of Chapter dues, coin and hat sales, donations from chapter members, the RIR, and raffles of a White House Christmas ornament and two Ammo belt buckles (donated by John Matthews). \$150.00 was raised from the raffles which solely supported the Ammo Troops-in-Need program.

During the December meeting, we voted to hold a special election for the office of Chapter Vice President. This election was needed to get us back into sync of having the President and Vice President elected on alternating years to provide continuity of leadership. Nominations were gathered and the voting ensued. Dave Nixon was elected Vice President. Our thanks go out to Yvonne Watts for serving as Vice President in 2016.

Rich and Sue Pennington encased a flag flown over Bagram Air Base as thanks for the Care Package last year. The flag will be displayed at the 1FW Ammo Flight.

Our events calendar for 2017 indicates another busy year. We will do our best to accept the challenges that we will face and shall continue to meet, socialize, and accomplish our Chapter goals. The ACAMC remains at the forefront of taking care of the troops and keeping the Ammo spirit alive!

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