



# News Release

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## **SWVA Chapter represents MOAA at Roanoke, 2015 Virginia Veterans Day Parade**

Despite light rain throughout Saturday morning on November 7, the 2015 Virginia Veterans Parade still proceeded with enthusiastic crowds lining the streets of downtown Roanoke, Virginia. The annual parade, with its marching bands, military vehicles and marching veterans honors U.S. military veterans throughout the region. Supporting this event were members of the Southwest Virginia Chapter of the Military Officer's Association of America riding appropriately enough in a vintage 1948 Navy Shore Patrol Jeep. Chapter members COL Tom Dazell, USMC (Ret), LTC John Wagner, USA (Ret) and CAPT Gary Powers, USN (Ret) were honored by the appreciative flag-waving crowds while small children rendered heartfelt salutes. The televised event also offered the opportunity to highlight the local and national MOAA organization and its dedication to protecting the rights of military service members and their families.



*Participating in the 2015 Virginia Veterans Day Parade were COL Tom Dazell, USMC (Ret), LTC John Wagner, USA (Ret) and CAPT Gary Powers, USN (Ret) riding in a vintage 1948 Navy Shore Patrol Jeep*