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Military volunteers to be honored by Chamber of Commerce

NORFOLK, Va. – (CNRMA) The Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce-Norfolk Division Armed Forces Committee will honor area service members during their annual Samuel T. Northern Military Citizen of the Year (MCOY) luncheon at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott tomorrow. The event is a continuation of Fleet Week Hampton Roads, running Oct. 4-20.

The MCOY award is named after Northern, a local businessman who devoted most of his life to strengthening the relationship between the local community and the military. Since 1955, the MCOY award has been given annually to recognize a military citizen who has made the most significant contribution in the area of community service.

The award is presented to a military individual whose personal and public contributions have had a positive impact on the Hampton Roads community. This year, there are 37 nominees representing Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Army commands in the Hampton Roads area. The winner will be announced at the luncheon. The event will be attended by members of the business community, the nominees, their family guests, and command leadership.

This year's guest speaker is Congressman Randy Forbes, the U.S. Representative for Virginia's 4th congressional district.

Fleet Week Hampton Roads, held in conjunction with the Navy's 239th birthday, celebrates and recognizes the sacrifices and contributions of our sea services, past and present, made by our Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen.

Media interested in covering the Military Citizen of the Year luncheon should contact the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce at (757) 622-2312.

To view the entire Fleet Week 2014 schedule of events, visit www.cnic.navy.mil/cnrma, "Like" www.facebook.com/CNRMA.PAO, and "Follow" @CNRMA on Twitter. Join the conversation on social media by using #FleetWeekHR.

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