**Call to Order:** President **Gary Fredricks** called the General Membership Dinner Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on 21 October 2004 at the Sunshine Hotel. Chaplain **Robert. Rutherford** gave the Invocation and President **Gary Fredricks** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Officers, General Members, and Guests. Total members and guests present: 55.

Minutes: The reading of the last General and Board of Directors meeting minutes was waived; copies were available on each table.

Oktoberfest Dinner was served and enjoyed by all.

#### **Board of Directors Reports:**

## **Legislative: (Dan Conway)**

- \*National Level Dan Conway reported on current status of the SBP efforts and stated the SBP revision had passed the legislature and the plan was now on a 3 ½ year phase-in. He gave specifics on the new plan.
- \* Additional Topics it was noted that the Arizona Veteran's Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon would be held at the Shriner's Auditorium at 11:30 a.m. on 4 November. While the AZ Chapter has no members being inducted into the Hall of Fame this year, several AZ Chapter members will be in attendance at the luncheon. Dan Conway solicited additional items for the December Silent Auction.

#### **Old/Unfinished Business**

None

# New Business

### **Coming Activities for 2004:**

- \*The President reminded members of the 30 Oct Golf event at Rolling Hills Golf Course.
- \*The Personal Affairs Officer Bernie Conway advised members to watch for his article on Personal Affairs in the November Sentinel.

The **Chapter 50/50 raffle** was held with \$75 being paid out and \$76 deposited into the Scholarship fund account. Winners were: Debbie Minor, Elizabeth Rast, Doug Gray and MaryKay Worthington.

With the completion of the business portion of the meeting, all members and guests were invited to enjoy Oktoberfest listening and dancing to the music of the Arizona Button Accordion Band.

The meeting adjourned at the member's leisure.

Submitted: Terry Tassin, Chapter Secretary