



THE ARIZONA CHAPTER
Military Officers Association of America
Arizona's First Chapter



Minutes of December 15, 2012 General Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA

A luncheon meeting of the General Membership was held on Saturday, December 15, 2012 at McCormick Ranch Golf Club. President John Ady called the meeting to order at 1145 hours and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a minute of silence for the victims of the CT school massacre and an invocation. A special toast was given to honor the President, Members of the Armed Forces, Fallen Heroes and all the ladies present.

Members Present: President John Ady welcomed all present; members, invited guests, new members and eight special Auxiliary members. Total present: 72.

Annual Meritorious Service Award: Jim Cullison, Nominating Committee Chair, presented Lt Ron Green with his award. Ron delivered over 500 cases of water to the Veterans Outreach Program of Phoenix helping our homeless veterans stay hydrated during the long, hot summer months. Ron is a longtime volunteer and advocate for homeless veterans.

Special Recognition: President John Ady offered special thanks to Marie Fredricks for her past 7 years of service as our Arrangement Chairman. Marie scheduled and planned our monthly luncheon functions at McCormick Ranch, our October picnic and other group social events. John presented Marie with a \$100.00 Visa gift card on behalf of a very grateful Chapter.

December 7th, Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance: Rob Welch and Frank Hoak presented the Chapter's commemorative wreath at the USS Arizona Memorial during the day's ceremony. The state is in the process of refurbishing and eventually displaying a gun from each of the USS ARIZONA and the USS MISSOURI, symbolizing the beginning and the end of World War II. Special guests at this year's ceremony included seven Pearl Harbor survivors.

Happy 376th Birthday: John Ady recognized the December 13, 1636 birthday of the National Guard.

Holiday Festivities: Our holiday luncheon was served, followed by lively entertainment provided by the Carefree Christmas Chorus. The grand finale was the annual Chinese auction; where oh where did the silver vodka gift go?! A total of \$336.00 in auction raffle tickets was sold with 100% being donated to the Scholarship Fund.

Reminder: Next Board of Director Meeting is Thursday, January 3, 2013.
Next Chapter Meeting is Saturday, January 19, 2013.

Closing Remarks: On behalf of your Officers and Board of Directors, we wish you and your families the very best of this wonderful season and look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Adjournment: 1400 hours

Respectfully submitted,
Leonore K. Hoak
Secretary