



THE ARIZONA CHAPTER

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Minutes of May 17, 2014 General Meeting Arizona Chapter MOAA

A luncheon meeting of the General Membership was held on Saturday, May 17, 2014 at McCormick Ranch Golf Club. President Jim Cullison called the meeting to order at 1150 hours and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. He then expressed condolences to Arlene Day, whose brother passed away, and followed with an invocation.

Members Present: President Jim Cullison welcomed all present. All guests including the scholarship winners and their families were recognized with a brief personal introduction. The total attendance was 42.

Chapter Polo Shirts: Rob Welch is taking orders for the new polo shirt with our chapter logo. It is a high quality shirt with a discounted price of \$32.

United Arizona Veterans: A Veterans Town Hall Meeting with Gubernatorial candidates is scheduled for June 7, 2014. Rob Welch invited all to attend and register early as seating is limited to 250 seats. Register by sending an email to secretary@azuav.org no later than Saturday, May 31, 2014.

Scholarship Presentations: Rob Welch recapped Bill Roscher's military career and Bill presented the first \$2,500 scholarship to **Emily Molina**, North High School Army JROTC. She earned an unadjusted GPA of 4.3 and ranked 28 out of a class of 506. Her numerous achievements and extra-curricular activities were summarized. Emily plans to attend Arizona State University where she will be enrolled in the Army ROTC Program and pursue a degree in criminology.

Rob summarized Terry Tassin's military career and Terry presented the second \$2,500 scholarship to **Megan Villandre** from Anthem Preparatory Academy. Megan is the daughter of two Army Officers who are also members of MOAA. Megan has a 3.96 GPA and many outstanding achievements, not the least playing on both the Boys & Girls basketball teams while serving as Captain on both. Megan selected the Naval ROTC program at the University of Notre Dame. She plans a career in the Navy as a Nuclear Surface Warfare Officer.

Jim Cullison closed the scholarship presentations with a joke on how these recipients could prepare for the mental and physical rigors of military service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Treasurer's Report: Bill Roscher reported \$7,130.68 in the General Fund, \$18,716.68 in the Scholarship Fund and \$100.00 in Petty Cash for a total of \$25,947.36. He also announced the golf tournament made \$2,474.35 for the scholarship fund. Pat and Patricia Dale were thanked for all their planning and hard work to make the golf tournament a fantastic success.



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Organ Stop Pizza: Jim Cullison reminded everyone to let Arlene Day know if they will attend the summer outing to Organ Stop Pizza, Saturday, June 28, at 5:00pm. Please email Arlene Day by June 25th at ArleneBDay@gmail.com or call on 480-353-6400.

Memorial Day Commemoration: Jim Cullison said our Chapter plans to participate in the Memorial Day activities at the National Cemetery and asked for volunteers to participate in the color guard and wreath laying ceremony. Please contact Jim if you are willing to participate.

MOAA Baseball Outing: The Superstition Mountain Chapter is coordinating an outing for all Arizona MOAA chapters to attend a Diamondbacks game versus Chicago Cubs on Sunday, July 20, at 1:10 p.m.. The seats are on the second level and discounted to \$18 for veterans & active duty and \$36 for friends and family. Please contact Jim Cullison if you plan to attend.

50/50 Raffle: Bill Roscher awarded two \$22 raffle awards. Terry Tassin donated four tickets to Arizona Broadway Theatre's performance of *Young Frankenstein*. The tickets brought \$100 which will be added to the scholarship fund.

Jim Cullison reminded the next member luncheon will be September 20th.

Adjournment: 1328 hours

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Cullison, Temporary Substitute Secretary