



THE ARIZONA CHAPTER
Military Officers Association of America
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Minutes of the May 21, 2016 Arizona Chapter of MOAA General Meeting

McCormick Ranch Golf Club Scottsdale Arizona.

The May 2016 meeting and luncheon of the general membership of the Arizona Chapter of MOAA was held on Saturday, May 21 2016 at McCormick Ranch Golf Club, Scottsdale Arizona.

President Lee Lange opened the meeting at 11:50 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an invocation.

Members present: 57 people attended the luncheon today. All guests and new members were introduced. Lee Lange introduced the Chapters newest member, Col Tom Sheets USMC Ret, and his wife Lisa. He also introduced his guest Daniel Butler COL, USA Ret, a former Army Chaplain now serving as the VA Medical Center as Chaplain. Dave Price introduced his guest, CDR Steve Sweeney, USN, XO of the ASU NROTC unit. Jon Shawl introduced his guest Jim Paxton, a former Marine Captain and now a financial planner. .

Treasurer's report: Charlie Bitner, Treasurer, reported the Scholarship Fund is currently at \$17,229.21 General Fund at \$6,943.90 including \$200 in petty cash for making change for raffle tickets & lunch, for a total of \$24,373.11. Net total for raffle for the day was \$57 which will go to the Scholarship Fund.

President's Announcements:

- April 21 was our Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament organized by Pat Dale. We netted over \$2600 for our Scholarship Fund. Thanks to Pat and all the chapter members who played or supported the event.
- Memorial Day Ceremony at the National Cemetery in Cave Creek will be 8:00 AM Monday May 30. Our chapter will have a color guard at the event and we will also do a wreath-laying.
- Join us June 16 for a Chapter Scholarship Fundraising Event at Paradise Bakery, Scottsdale Road and Mayo Blvd from 4 – 8 PM. Flyers are on the tables. Bring the flyer with you and have dinner, buy something to go or just hang out and help the Scholarship Fund.
- Jim Cullison is organizing a chapter group for the Diamondbacks game July 17 vs. the LA Dodgers. You have received the flyer so mail your check to Jim by June 28. Tickets are \$29.

Lunch was served at 12:00 PM.



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CHAPTER MEETING
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Program started at 1:00PM

Report by Ron Perkins

Ron, chapter member and President of the Arizona Council of Chapters reported on his Storming the Hill trip to Washington, D.C., April 11-15. There were two main issues:

1. A request for Congress to reject unfair and excessive TRICARE fee increased proposed by DoD.
2. A request for Congress to care for survivors by repealing the SBP-DIC offset.

Program;

Chair Bruce Kosaveach introduced the guest speaker, our own Frank Hoak, CAPT, USN Ret. Frank was a career Naval intelligence officer. He gave an excellent presentation, including photographs, of his trip to North Korea in April of 2015. He detailed his experiences and provided insight into the life in this most secretive and repressive society.

Adjournment: President Lee Lange adjourned the meeting at 1:45 PM. The next Chapter meeting will be in the fall on September 17, 2016

Respectively submitted: Paul Schnur, Secretary and Lee Lange, President.

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Edited by Lee Lange

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