



THE ARIZONA CHAPTER
Military Officers Association of America
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Minutes of the September 17, 2016 Arizona Chapter of MOAA General Meeting

McCormick Ranch Golf Club Scottsdale Arizona.

The September 2016 meeting and luncheon of the general membership of the Arizona Chapter of MOAA was held on Saturday, September 17, 2016 at McCormick Ranch Golf Club, Scottsdale Arizona.

President Lee Lange opened the meeting at 11:47 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an invocation.

Members present: All guests and a new member Col Tom Blain USA Ret. and wife Anita were introduced.

Treasurer's report: Charlie Bitner, Treasurer, reported the Scholarship Fund is currently at \$17,620.56 General Fund at \$7,091.90 including \$200 in petty cash for making change for raffle tickets & lunch, for a total of \$24,912.46. Net total for raffle after the payout was \$75 which will go to the Scholarship Fund.

President's Announcements:

- President Lee announced that the speaker has cancelled today's presentation for medical reasons.
- The chapter will receive two awards, a 5-star award for the Web Page and a 4-star award for the News Letter. Rob Welch was congratulated for his work on the Web Page and Jim Cullison for his work on the News Letter
- Ron Perkins announced that all nine MOAA Chapters in Arizona received 5 star awards due in part to our Chapters leadership and encouragement of the Chapters to apply for the award.
- Lee announced that two members of our Chapter were accepted into the 2016 class of the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame. The members are Rob Welch and ??.
- The revised scholarship program will present three \$2000 scholarships per year, one each to an Army, Navy and Air Force cadet at ASU. The goal for this year is to raise \$10,000 for the scholarship fund. President Lee pledged \$500 to the fund and Rob Welch pledged \$250. There will be a fund raising event at Habit Burger Grill this Tuesday. This was set up by Beth Cullison. There will be a wine tasting event in November, more information to follow.
- Ron Perkins gave the legislative report. It has been detailed in the previous News Letter. The main issues are.



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CHAPTER MEETING

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Need for adequate pay raise for active duty personnel
Block an attempt to cut housing allowance.
Increase in Tri-Care fees.

- Chapter membership.
 - At the present time our membership has 114 regular members, 24 auxiliary members for a total of 138 members. To help increase membership notices have been sent to all the members that did not renew in the past year requesting that they renew. In addition, national MOAA will send out information to all national members living in our area via email on how to join our chapter. Last year we acquired several members from this message.

Lunch was served at 12:00 PM.

Program;

The program on the Scottsdale Police Department 9-1-1 center was cancelled due to the illness of the presenter.

Adjournment: President Lee Lange adjourned the meeting at 1:19 PM. The next Chapter meeting will be the annual picnic at McCormick Railroad Park October 15, 2016

Respectively submitted: Paul Schnur, Secretary

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