

Minutes of the October General Meeting, Arizona Chapter TROA

A Dinner Meeting of the General Membership was held on 25 October 2002 at the Best Western Executive Park Hotel. President **RON GREEN** called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. **ROBERT RUTHERFORD** gave the Invocation and **RON GREEN** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present: Officers, General Members, and Guests. Total people present: **62**.
New members and guests were introduced

Minutes of the last General meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was made by **BILL JOHNSON**:

Checking account	=	\$2166.45
Anniversary account	=	\$ 589.52
<u>Scholarship account</u>	=	<u>\$7661.66</u>
Total in Accounts	=	\$10417.63

Old Business included reports from various committee chairmen:

Dan Conway - Legislative & United Arizona Veterans - reported that the new National Cemetery in Sierra Vista, AZ would be dedicated on Saturday, 26 Oct 2002 and he and Chuck Schluter would attend. It was noted that proposed **changes to the Chapter By-Laws** would be listed in the November newsletter and then be voted on at the November General meeting.

Guest Speaker - The president introduced the honored speaker, CAPTAIN BUD SCHNEEWEIS USCG (Ret), TROA Deputy Director, Benefits Information Department. His very informative presentation covered several areas of interest including the upcoming TROA name change, the continuing efforts in Concurrent Receipt, proposed revisions to the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP), possible changes to the TRICARE For Life offset, and relief from Medicare Part "B" penalties. President RON GREEN presented a TROA flag desk set to the speaker as a memento of his presentation to the members of the Chapter.

New Business included a **Programs Report** by **JIM SEIDL** in which he told members the next general meeting, on 16 November, would be a Steak Sandwich luncheon meeting at McCormick Ranch Golf Club, Scottsdale, AZ. The Chapter will recognize past and present members with annual awards. He also noted that the Christmas meeting with auction is scheduled for 19 December.

PRESIDENT RON GREEN provided details of the 9 October golf tournament held at Luke AFB and noted he had retained the "Presidents Award" (*The Hat*) for the player with the highest score.

The **Chapter raffle** was held with \$73 being paid out and \$74 entered into the Scholarship account. Winners were: Pam O'Brien, Chuck Schluter, Frank Birtciel, and Betty Baumer.

BOB RUTHERFORD gave the Benediction.

Motion to adjourn was made (Bill Toy) and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:55PM.

Submitted: Terry Tassin, Chapter Secretary