

Minutes of the SEPTEMBER 2007 General Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA

A Luncheon Meeting of the General Membership was held on September 15, 2007, at the McCormick Ranch Golf Club. President **Terry Tassin** called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. **Robert Rutherford** gave the Invocation and the President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members and Guests Present: 32

Minutes: The last General Meeting Minutes were approved and accepted as distributed.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was accepted and approved as distributed.

President: Terry Tassin briefed on the following items:

a. 5 Star Level of Excellence Award: Terry Tassin reported that the chapter had received a Five Star Level of Excellence Award from the MOAA's Council and Chapter Affairs Committee. The chapter was recognized for its exemplary performance. The Five Star Streamer will be presented to the Chapter by VADM Ryan at the Tucson Chapter's 50th Anniversary celebration on October 27.

b. Golf Tournament 21 September: Terry Tassin and Pat Dale reported that 42 people had signed up for the golf tournament. They encouraged anyone who was interested to contact Pat Dale ASAP.

c. Sentinel Editor Position: We are still looking for a volunteer to be the editor of the Sentinel. Anyone interested please contact Terry Tassin

d. Board meeting location change: Board of directors has moved the board meeting location to the AZ Veteran's Home, room A107. The Home is located north of the intersection of Indian School Road and 3rd Street. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 1:30 PM, except the months of June thru August when the Chapter goes on summer break.

e. Proposed changes to Bylaws & Operating Instructions: All proposed changes/revisions to the Chapter bylaws and operating instructions will be published in the October Sentinel for membership review. Final approval vote will be done at the October General Meeting on 20 October.

f. Meritorious Service Award nominations. A committee made up of Ron Worthington as Chairman and with additional members Ron Perkins, Jim Seidl and Frank Birtciel is now in the process of gathering data to use in the selection of possible recipients for this year's Chapter Meritorious Service Awards. Nominated individuals should be submitted to Ron Perkins. Provide him with the name and any justifying information for the nomination. Awards will be presented at our November business meeting.

g. 2008 Staff Nominations: Terry Tassin reported that solicitation letters had been sent out by the nomination committee asking for staff nominations or volunteers. Staff nominations will be presented at the November General Meeting for voting upon by the general membership after members present have the opportunity to nominate candidates from the floor.

Lunch: was served.

Program:

Guest Speaker: The President introduced the guest speaker, MCPO, USN (Ret) Steve Marshall, who gave a very interesting presentation on his past job as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal specialist during Operation Desert Storm and his current position with Homeland Security developing emergency exercise scenarios for the state of Arizona. At the end of the presentation the President presented the speaker with a set of MOAA tumblers as a gift of appreciation.

Chapter 50/50 raffle was held with \$35 being paid out and \$35 entered into the Scholarship account.

Winners were:

\$15 prize won by **Chuck Schulter**

\$20 prize won by **Elizabeth Poulson**

Reminder: Members were reminded that the next general meeting would be held on October 20.

Motion to Adjourn was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1:35 PM.

Submitted:

Ronald Perkins, AZ Chap MOAA Secretary