



**THE ARIZONA CHAPTER**  
**Military Officers Association of America**  
*Arizona's First Chapter*



**Minutes of the October 19, 2013 General Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA**

The annual barbeque picnic of the General Membership was held on Saturday, October 19, 2013 at the McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park in Scottsdale. President Rob Welch called the meeting to order at 1200 hours and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation.

**Members Present:** President Rob Welch greeted all present to the annual event with a special welcome to our guests and new members; there was a record turnout of the Chapter's new members this year, out of 11 new members – 8 were able to attend with their spouses/significant others. Chapter Officers were introduced and recognized. Total present was 54.

**Special Recognition:** A special thank you to USAA and National MOAA for their sponsorship.

**Chapter Reports:** Waived for the month

**President's Report:** In lieu of a formal report due to the month's informal venue, President Welch gave a brief synopsis of the Chapter and its accomplishments; AZ Chapter MOAA is an active chapter that has monthly BOD and General meetings with excellent guest speakers; sponsors yearly JROTC scholarships and leadership awards for local high school students hoping to embark on military careers; participates in both state and national legislation impacting military veterans; has an award winning monthly newsletter *The Sentinel* as well as an award winning Chapter website and membership recruiting brochure.

**Arrangements:** Arlene Day did her magic again this year – a barbeque luncheon provided by Famous Dave's Restaurant and perfect weather allowed members to enjoy themselves and socialize with other Chapter members. Special thanks to Arlene for all her hard work!

**Entertainment:** Dave Karl, professional entertainer, local musician and Kenny Rogers songster, provided this year's talent. All were able to enjoy and sing along with Karl!

**Water for Homeless Veterans:** Ron Green continues to purchase and deliver water to our local homeless vets. Ron reports that the coffers are running low - please consider placing a monetary donation in the collection box to support his efforts!

**Scholarship Fund:** A member has donated (his) tickets to the ASU – Oregon Football Game; after a rousing auction, \$80.00 was added to the fund. This month's 50/50 raffle grossed \$141.00 with \$70.00 awarded by Bill Roscher and \$71.00 given to the Scholarship Fund.

**Monthly Luncheon Drawing:** This month's lucky winner of a complimentary luncheon at the November 9 Chapter Meeting was Sheila George.

**Reminder:** The November General Meeting will be on **Saturday, November 9** at McCormick Ranch – the date is due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

**Adjournment: 1340**

Respectfully submitted,

Leonore Kenefic Hoak, Secretary