## Minutes of the December 2008 General Meeting, Arizona Chapter MOAA

A luncheon meeting of the General Membership was held on December 20, 2008 at the McCormick Ranch Golf Club. President Terry Tassin called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. Chaplain Bob Rutherford gave the Invocation and Terry Tassin followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present**: Total people present: **69**; Several guests were introduced which included Barbara Creigen, Karl & Nati Lehman, Vi Toy, Ann Roland, Scott Fredricks and Carol Winkler.

**Special Entertainment:** Christmas music was provided by Don Ford **Treasurers Report:** Bill Roscher reported that the General Fund had a total of \$6596.11 and the Scholarship Fund had a total of \$9902.9 for a combined total of \$16499.01 **Presidents Report:** 

**Membership Renewal drive for 2009:** Terry Tassin reminded everyone that it was time to renew their membership for 2009 in December if possible. The dues remain the same: \$20 for regular membership and \$10 for Auxiliaries. The January Sentinel will contain a renewal form that you can use.

**Toys for Tots Program:** Several members donated toys for needy children. Today, Terry Tassin will deliver them to the appropriate location for collection by the USMC Reserves.

**January 17 Luncheon Program:** Everyone was reminded that the program for January would be at McCormick Ranch Golf Club. The guest speaker will be Bill Wolfe who will speak on WW II Aviation and Munitions. A Fountain Hills, AZ aviation historian and collector, Dr. William Wolfe, is the author of eight WWII aviation books. He has recently completed a definitive work (465 pages and 500+ photos, many color, and drawings) titled *The North American B-25 Mitchell: The Ultimate Look from Drawing Board to Flying Arsenal* published in early 2008. So plan on being there on January 17!

**Greeters for January:** Gary and Marie Fredricks **Lunch was served and enjoyed by all Program:** 

Meritorious Service Medal Presentations: MSM's were presented to: Gary Fredricks 3 OLC, Marie Fredricks 1 OLC, Ron Perkins 1 OLC, Terry Tassin 4 OLC, Fran Tassin, Chuck Schluter 4 OLC. Pat Dale and Patricia were absent and will receive their awards in January when the recently departed Bill Johnson's MSM will be presented to his wife Nina. President Tassin thanked all the recipients for their dedicated efforts to keep the AZ Chapter a vibrant chapter. The chapter could not function without their wonderful efforts.

**Chinese Auction:** A Christmas Chinese Auction was run by Ron Perkins where several gifts were chosen by the lucky raffle ticket holders. There was a great deal of fun had by everyone. All the gifts were donated by the board members with all the raffle ticket money, which amounted to \$278, going to the scholarship fund.

**Benediction:** Chaplain Bob Rutherford

**Motion to Adjourn** was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1420 hours.

Submitted: Ron Perkins, Secretary