



THE ARIZONA CHAPTER
Military Officers Association of America
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Membership Meeting Agenda – Saturday, February 17, 2024

11:00 a.m., McCormick Ranch Golf Club, Scottsdale, Arizona

CALL TO ORDER President Bruce Kosaveach called the meeting to order at 11:47 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Bruce led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION The invocation was given by the Chaplain Miriam Rosa-Cummo.

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Bruce thanked Lee Lange for submitting the LOE, Communications and Website awards to National MOAA.

Bruce talked about our Surviving Spouses and their engaged level of participation. While thanking Susan Farrell, he asked that all surviving spouses stand as they received a round of the applause. Each quarter the Sentinel will now have an article highlighting one of our surviving spouses.

An excel file listing current AZ MOAA Committee opportunities within our chapter was displayed as Bruce talked about these opportunities, encouraging members to volunteer for an opportunity to work with the local chapter. Additionally, copies of the Committee List were placed at each table. The end goal is a more active and involved AZ MOAA!

Bruce reminded the audience that local annual dues of \$20 are due by next month, payable to Charlie Bitner.

NEW MEMBERS & GUESTS RECOGNITION

Five new guests were welcomed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Charlie reported the general fund balance of \$ 8,363.03; scholarship fund balance of \$ 20,314.37.

Charlie asked the members to only book online one month's meal at a time. If a single member orders 2 meals, from the backend of the website it is viewed as 2 meals for the current month as the website does not currently have the capability of reserving for additional months ahead. When this occurs, it skews the total number of meal reservations that Charlie books. They are working on a fix to the website fix to allow only one reservation per month.



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FUNDRAISING

From the Super Bowl football pool, co-sponsored with the SW Veterans Chamber, Tom Sheet presented Charlie with a \$400 check for the Scholarship Fund. Lee Lange was the big winner of this pool, winning 3 quarters!

LUNCH SERVED

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER

Dr Andrew Kaplan is a board-certified cardiologist at Phoenix Heart with expertise in Electrophysiology. Dr Kaplan studied medicine at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School and completed his residency in internal medicine at Duke University Medical Center. After his residency, Dr. Kaplan continued his training with two fellowships in cardiovascular disease and cardiac electrophysiology at Emory University of Medicine. In addition, he completed his Chief Residency in internal medicine at Grady Memorial/Emory University School of Medicine. On top of this extensive training, Dr Kalan's expertise and commitment to excellence have earned him certifications by the American Board of Internal Medicine, with special focus on cardiovascular disease and cardiac electrophysiology. Dr Kaplan also serves as a reservist medical corps officer with the US Navy and enjoys being able to focus there as a leader and advocate for military health care. Dr Kaplan talked about the different modalities of heart care both pre and post heart attack and of the Navy IRT outreach event he led in Kodiak, Alaska.

RAFFLE DRAWING

Today the scholarship raffle had two award winners of \$40 each.

GOOD OF THE ORDER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

February 29th Happy Hour:

Feb 29th Happy Hour will be hosted at Macayo's on East Shea Blvd from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Cost will be \$15 per person, payable at the door,

Spring Training Games ticket auction results:

Carole Litten won the tickets offered by Jeff Young and Lee Lange won two seats offered by John Ady.

NEXT MEETING

March 16, 2024 McCormick Ranch

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

Carole Litten, Secretary