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From National MOAA:

Due to the "Storming the Hill" event, there is no MOAA National news this month.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we approach the final Spring 2019 agenda just allow me a few words about functions past and upcoming.

I am sure you are all aware of the JROTC Scholarship Dinner Meeting to be held on May 1st at Quail Creek. If you haven't made your reservations yet, please do so. Last month we had a successful Mix and Mingle and hopefully the attendees were able to meet and spend some time with other members.

There will be a Memorial Day wreath laying service at the Green Valley Mortuary and Cemetery in Sahuarita on Monday, May 27. Your MOAA Chapter will be represented by Board of Director members and all of our membership are invited to this memorial celebration.

Our next fall chapter membership meeting will be held Sept 18th at Quail Creek. This will be a luncheon. Details will be in the relevant newsletter.

Again, a reminder that the Green Valley Chapter will host the AZ Council of Chapters regional meeting on November 1st to be held at the Wyndham Canoa Resort in Green Valley. All members are cordially invited.

Finally, I want to wish our snowbird membership a safe trip home, and a happy summer.

Joseph Longo, 1LT USA (Former)
2019 Chapter President
Green Valley Chapter, MOAA

Never Stop Serving

CHAPTER WILL ANNOUNCE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS IN MAY

Contributor: Peggy McGee



Your Chapter is proud to announce that we will be awarding scholarships at an awards dinner at 5:30 p.m. on May 1 in the Crystal Ballroom at

Quail Creek. Three \$1500 scholarships will be awarded to JROTC cadets from the Nogales, Rio Rico and Sahuarita school districts. Students from both Walden Grove and Sahuarita High Schools participate in the Naval JROTC program that meets at Sahuarita High School.

The menu for the dinner includes a choice of Prime Rib with mashed potatoes, gravy and seasonal vegetables or sautéed chicken breast with rice pilaf and seasonal vegetables. Dessert will be Mud Pie with mocha crème and chocolate swirls. Please complete the reservation form on the next page and mail it along with your check.

Cost for the dinner is \$26. If you cannot get your reservation mailed on time, please contact Peggy McGee no later than April 22 at 207-6188 or positivelypeggygv@gmail.com to ensure you can get your menu choice.

This will be the last MOAA event until September.

2019 QUAIL CREEK NAVY BIRTHDAY

Contributor: John Chernoski

Calling all Quail Creek U.S. Navy & Coast Guard veterans, reservists, retirees, family, and friends to join together for an afternoon of fellowship on Friday, May 3, at the Kino Conference Center from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and to assess the interest in organizing a 2019 Navy Ball celebrating the Navy Birthday in October. The Meet and Greet is also an effort to organize Quail Creek Navy veterans and friends of the sea services to occasionally come together as a group to make a positive contribution to our community. Mark your calendar for May 3. For further information, please contact John Chernoski at jchernoski@cox.net.



MEMORIAL DAY HAPPENINGS

Contributor: Peggy McGee

The annual wreath laying ceremony will take place at 9 a.m.



on May 27 at the Green Valley Mortuary and Cemetery, 18751 S. La Canada Drive, Sahuarita.

This is a great opportunity to pay tribute to all veterans, but especially those who have gone before us. It is through their sacrifices as well as yours that we are the great and militarily strong Nation that we are today.

Please give an hour of your time to honor our veterans.

Military Officers Association of America

Green Valley Chapter · Desert Duster Newsletter · MAY 2019 issue



May 1, 2019 · Social: 5:00pm · Dinner: 5:30pm Quail Creek Madera Clubhouse – Crystal Ballroom

Please make your reservations by April 22nd

Please reserve _____ places.

Cost: \$ _____ (\$26 per person)

Select Entrée choice:

- (#1) Prime Rib, potatoes and gravy, seasonal vegetables
 (#2) Sautéed Chicken Breast with rice pilaf, seasonal vegetables

Dessert, included: Mud Pie with mocha crème and chocolate swirls

Check # _____

Attn: GV MOA Reservation

Mail your check and this reservation form to:

MOA of Green Valley, PO Box 1535 · Green Valley, AZ 85622-1535

Rank: _____ Name: (please print) _____

I am bringing guest(s) whose name(s) is/are:

Entree Choice: #1 or #2

GUEST 1 _____

GUEST 2 _____

GUEST 3 _____

GUEST 4 _____

If you require a ride to the meeting, program or event, please check here:

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If you cannot get your reservation and check mailed timely, or **if you have made a reservation and find you cannot attend PLEASE CALL PEGGY McGEE (520-207-6188). Your chapter is charged for all ordered meals even if they aren't served.** Please bring a check or exact cash amount to the meeting.

Hearing Aid Assist Device at Quail Creek ⇨ If you are a member with Hearing Aids who still has difficulty hearing the speakers at the meal-plated meetings, Quail Creek does offer a Hearing Aid Assist Loop device. The Hearing Aid Assist is a loop system in the meeting room and can be turned on and individuals would wear a device around their neck which helps amplify the sound through their hearing aids. In order for this assist device to work the individual must have a Hearing Aid or Cochlear Implants with TeleCoil (T-Coil) capability. This device only works with hearing aids with this capability and will not work on individuals with no hearing aid at all.

If you or a guest would like to utilize this service at Quail Creek for future meetings, I ask that you notify us in advance so we can have it available for you. You can notify us by writing your request on your meeting reservation form or contact Peggy McGee **207-6188** or **positivelypeggygv@gmail.com**.



CHAPTER DUES ARE DUE

Please get your 2019 dues to Myra McCune as soon as possible, or you may pay your dues at the May dinner meeting.



Military Officers Association of America
Green Valley, Arizona Chapter
P.O. Box 1535
Green Valley, AZ 85622-1535

2019 Chapter Membership Dues

Chapter Dues: (Regular-\$25; Auxiliary-\$15)

Membership Dues \$ _____

Make check payable to: Military Officers Association of Green Valley or GV MOAA.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE INFORMATION BELOW:

Name: _____ New _____ Renewal _____

Rank: _____ Branch of Service: _____ National # _____

Auxiliary _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

DOB _____ (Month/Day/Year)

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Scholarship & Military Assistance Fund \$ _____ Donation.

Make check payable to: Green Valley MOAA Scholarship and Military Assistance Fund or
GV MOAA S&MA Fund.

**Dues may be paid at any meeting or mailed to Military Officers Association of
America, Green Valley, Arizona Chapter, P.O. Box 1535, Green Valley, AZ 85622-1535.**

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: Get to Know Your Members

Contributor: Peggy McGee

New member, LT Philip Lamb USCG, grew up in New Bedford, Massachusetts. He graduated from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst with a degree in Fisheries and Wildlife Biology. After graduation he was accepted to Coast Guard OCS, Yorktown, Virginia, graduated and was commissioned an Ensign. Soon after, he and his college sweetheart, Evelyn, were married and immediately moved to Portland, Maine where he was assigned as a deck officer on the USCGC Humboldt, a 311-foot former Navy seaplane tender converted to ocean station duty. The next 18 months were mostly spent on station in the North Atlantic. The Humboldt carried a crew of 150 including 15 officers. Phil first served as Gunnery Officer, then First Lieutenant.



After promotion to LTjg, Phil received orders to Vietnam. Training, including SERE and weapons, followed and Phil reported to Coast Guard Squadron One, (RONONE) Division 12 in Danang. Phil first served as XO of the Point Welcome, an 82-foot WPB and later was division Operations Officer. Phil received the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat V.

It is a little-known fact that more than 8,000 Coast Guardsmen served in Vietnam. Larger cutters were deployed with the Coastal Surveillance Forces and 26 Point Class 82-foot patrol boats were an integral part of Operation Market Time. Coast Guardsmen were also involved in port security and explosives loading, aids to navigation, LORAN stations, and as HH3 helicopter pilots. RONONE WPBs cruised over 4 million miles, boarded more than 280,000 vessels, and participated in 6,000 naval gunfire support missions.

After returning from Vietnam, Phil and Evie settled in Massachusetts, raising three children. Phil embarked on a 40-year career in banking thanks to a bank CEO, a former WWII bomber pilot and POW, who believed in hiring veterans. Phil earned an MBA with help from the VA and graduated from the Program for Management Development at Harvard Business School. The Lambs later moved to Portland, then Bend, Oregon after retirement and finally to Quail Creek in 2018, seeking warmth.

CLOTHING NEEDED FOR TODDLER

Contributor: Peggy McGee



The VA advised us that a low-income veteran was just awarded guardianship for his 17-month old grandson. If anyone has clothing in sizes 24 months, 2T or 3T that your grandson left behind that no longer fits, please consider donating it to the VA. Diapers in sizes 4 and 5 are also needed.

Items can be brought to the meeting on May 1 or dropped at the McGee's at 1908 E. Longspur Place. That's the 4th house up from the waterfall in Quail Creek.

POLO SHIRT ORDERS AT THE MAY MEETING

Contributor: Peggy McGee

We will be taking orders for MOAA polo shirts at the May 1 meeting. Available in red, white or navy with the MOAA emblem, the shirts come in both men's and women's styles.

The cost will be between \$21 and \$25 depending on whether we get enough orders to qualify for a quantity discount.

Order now and pay when delivered.

NAME TAGS

Contributor: Peggy McGee



We apologize for the unexpected delay in getting name tags ordered. If you have not yet gotten your name tag, please contact Peggy McGee at positivelypeggygv@gmail.com and give her the following information:

NAME - Your name as you want it to appear on your name tag.

Nicknames are okay.

RANK

STATUS - retired, active, former, Reserve, National Guard

BRANCH OF SERVICE - Indicate if you want it (USN or US Navy, etc.)

There is no charge for the initial name tag for the military member or spouse but if it is lost, there is a replacement charge.

HOMELESS & HOSITALIZED VETERANS NEED OUR HELP DURING SUMMER

Contributor: Peggy McGee

With warm weather upon us after our unusually cold winter, it's time to think about what we can do to make living on the streets a little more comfortable for the homeless veterans in the Tucson region. Sunscreen, Chapstick, hats and visors, snack items and bottled water are at the top of their list. New lighter weight socks and underwear for both men and women, especially in small and medium for men and medium and large for women, are always in demand. If your Bermuda shorts and short sleeved polo shirts no longer fit you, rather than leaving them in your closet hoping they will fit again, please consider donating them to the VA.



If you hosted St Patrick's Day or Easter parties and have leftover napkins, plates or cutlery, please save them for the homeless veterans and bring them to the May 1 dinner along with unopened travel-sized toiletries. And yes, the VA is still accepting 2019 calendars in both pocket and wall styles as well as greeting cards, note cards, and note pads (those things you get in the mail from one organization or another), puzzle books.

The Women Warriors would also appreciate donations of women's summer weight clothing and clothing for infants and toddlers as well as diapers in a variety of sizes.

If you remain here during the summer and find you have items that would be appropriate for the homeless and hospitalized veterans, you may drop them at the McGee's at 1908 E Longspur Place. That's the 4th house up from the Quail Creek waterfall. All donations will be personally delivered to the VA and Women Warriors. If you leave items, please indicate if you want a receipt for tax purposes along with your name, address, phone number and approximate value of your donation.

2019 EVENTS SCHEDULE

January 16 – Luncheon Meeting: 11:30am Social Luncheon: 12pm. Location: Quail Creek Clubhouse Ballroom #1.

January 18 – Annual Massing of the Colors at 12pm in the Sahuarita Unified School District Auditorium, 350 W. Sahuarita Road

March 19 – “Mix & Mingle”: 4:30-6:30pm. Location: Quail Creek Clubhouse Lounge & Gold Room.

May 1 – JROTC Scholarship Dinner: Social: 5pm · Dinner: 5:30pm. Location: Quail Creek Clubhouse Ballroom 1 & 2.

September 18 – Luncheon Meeting: 11:30am · Social: 12pm. Location: Quail Creek Clubhouse Ballroom #3

November 13 – Dinner Meeting: Social: 5pm · Dinner: 5:30pm. Location: Quail Creek Clubhouse Ballroom #1.

December 10 – Holiday Dinner: Social: 5pm · Dinner: 5:30pm. Location: Quail Creek Clubhouse Ballroom # 1 & 2.



The Board of Directors meeting is the 1st Wednesday of each month 8:30-10am at the Friends in Deed Building, Green Valley.

Members are welcomed to attend... join us!

There will be no Board meetings in June, July or August.

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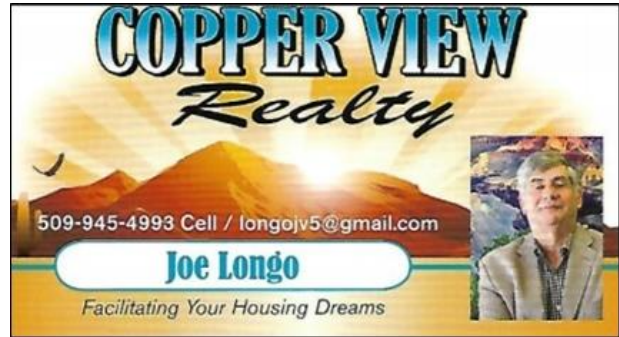


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