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NOVEMBER MEETING NOTICE
Monday 08 November 2004 1800-1930
Michelangelo Ristorante Italiano – 420 W Magee Rd [at Oracle]

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THE CHIEF SAYS

It's a new month and a new term year for our Chapter. On 8 November, the new chapter officers will officially take office and be sworn in.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of the Chapter officers and members who made my year as your President the success that it has been. I especially want to thank Vinny for his great golf tournament that brought teams from through-out Arizona to play and to Joe who kept bugging me for my monthly articles.

Please join me in supporting Vinny and the new officers as we move along to the Thirty-Third Annual Meeting of the Members to be held here in Tucson 24-28 October 2005.

Once again, thank you for the honor of serving as your President. *Ron*

OUR DEPLOYED MEMBERS

Although IRR members are expecting to be called back to service there are still two of our Chapter members are still deployed. While they are deployed, our chapter is paying their USAWOA dues so they have one less thing to concern them.

Both are encouraged to email us on their *non-classified adventures* [the others can await for their return].

Please remember them in our daily prayers and write them on happenings here on the home front via email.

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

Membership Meeting-Officer Installation	8-Nov	Michelangelo Ristorante Italiano
Veterans Day	11-Nov	National Holiday
General George Patton's Birthday	11-Nov	1845-1945
Thanksgiving Day	25-Nov	National Holiday
Hanukkah	8-Dec	
Holiday Get-Together	TBD	Location TBD
Christmas Day	25-Dec	National Holiday
New Years Day	1-Jan	National Holiday
Membership Meeting	10-Jan	Michelangelo Ristorante Italiano
Membership Meeting	14-Feb	Michelangelo Ristorante Italiano
2005 Annual USAWOA Meeting	22-27 Oct	Double Tree Hotel, Tucson, AZ

[SUBJECT TO CHANGE]

CHANGES AT THE TOP

One of the many things we learned at the AMM is that due to our changing times, there are changes coming from USAWOA that are of interest to us.

Up to now, the Executive Director was also the editor of the Newsliner but running the day to day operation, interfacing with the Army-all components and headquarters-and the government. Now, as you will see later in this edition, we are trying to split the jobs. Be sure to go on-line to www.usawoa.org and check out the job descriptions for both. After doing so, if you have any viable candidates be sure to notify USAWOA.

Other changes that we will shortly see is our new Regional Director Harry Wilson who campaigned to re-start the Wild West Region by personally visiting every chapter at least once and to move forward with the establishment of more new chapters.

It also appears that the Regional Directors will be coming more involved in keeping Herndon up to date on happenings in their region by being asked to write at least two articles for the Newsliner each year.

HELP WANTED

USAWOA is seeking applicants for the position of Executive Director of the only association representing Army Warrant Officers and the families on a world-wide basis. We solicit all members' recommendations and ideas. We would like to look within our ranks to identify those individuals that would be good candidates to fill the position of Executive Director. There are many good candidates in the DC area that we will be contacting. What better person to represent Warrant Officers than a retired Warrant Officer who has "been there and done that"?

USAWOA is also seeking applicants for the position of an Editor with primary responsibility of producing the USAWOA "NEWSLINER" eleven times a year, seeking advertising, and as a consultant to the Board of Directors and its committees with regards to publicity, publications, etc.

Members with recommended candidates or individuals interested in seeking more information are requested to contact the USAWOA Home Office at 703-742-7727 or by email.

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ROTC MEDAL STATUS

Our supplier has notified us that the sample medals will finally be in their hands on Friday 05 November and we have invited them to send a representative, with the medal and ribbons to our dinner meeting on Monday 08 November. This will give us all a chance to see the medal and to meet our suppliers.

THE FUTURE OF THE EAGLE RISING

One of the underlying goals of the Warrant Officer Heritage Foundation is to keep alive the memory and importance to our Corps of the Eagle Rising. To accomplish this and the other objectives of the Foundation, it has been organized, administered, and operated exclusively to receive, administer and expend funds for among such other objectives and illustrative purposes only, and not by way of limitation, the following educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code as it may be amended from time to time.

The Foundation gains its funds through direct donation and in the near future members of USAWOA will be receiving a mailing from the Warrant Officers Heritage Foundation & Turner Publishing Company with information about Warrant Officer History Book Volume II and soliciting pictures and your biography. The History Book is also available to all Warrant Officers, active, guard, reserve, retired and former warrants to provide photos, bios and to purchase copies, without regard to membership in USAWOA.



Do you know how many military veterans live in Arizona? Well you are not alone as even the State of Arizona doesn't know for sure. One sure way to show the state is for all of us veterans to proudly display veteran plates on our cars.

When you purchase an Arizona Veterans License Plate, \$17 of the \$25 special plate fee goes to the Arizona Veterans Donation Fund, which is used in many ways to help Arizona's veteran community: health care, education, memorial cemeteries maintenance, and the State Veteran's Home – a skilled nursing center. By law, the fund is used only for Arizona's veteran programs and cannot be absorbed into the state's general fund. There is a \$25 initial application fee/ \$25 annual renewal, in addition to regular registration fees. Applicant must be a veteran and provide a copy of a DD214, 215, 2A, 2 (retired), 2 (reserve) or 1173; or provide an original statement of honorable service from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services (ADVS). \$17 of the initial and annual renewal fee goes to the Veterans Donation Fund. Plates may be personalized for an additional \$25 initial application fee/ \$25 annual renewal fee and may also be issued to the spouse, parent, child, brother, or sister of an eligible person who has been issued this plate.

WARRANT OFFICER HUMOR

If you can't laugh at yourself, somebody else will

5 MOST DANGEROUS THINGS IN THE ARMY

1. A Private saying, "I learned this in Basic..."
 2. A Sergeant saying, "Trust me, sir..."
 3. A Second Lieutenant saying, "Based upon my experience..."
 4. A Captain saying, "I was just thinking..."
 5. A Warrant Officer chuckling, "Watch this...!"
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Chief is So Old.....

...Chief's birth certificate says **EXPIRED!**

...When God said "Let There Be Light!," Chief flipped the switch.

...Chief's Oath of Office is in Roman Numerals.

...Chief reminisces about the good times they had during Sherman's March to the Sea.

...When Chief was in school there was no history class.

...Chief's Social Security Number is 1.

An Infantry General was visiting troops in Europe. Since he was a General officer, and thus very important, he was given a chopper with a warrant officer to fly it to ferry him from unit to unit. They had been visiting units most of the day and the General came back to the chopper only to see the engine torn apart and the warrant deep in the inner workings of the chopper. The general asked the warrant what was wrong and the warrant, as warrants do, launched into an extremely complex and detailed technical explanation of exactly what was wrong with the engine. The general listened to him for a couple of minutes and then said "Stop! Now Chief, you're paid for your technical expertise and skill, and it's obvious you have that, but the other thing you need to do is to be able to communicate to others what's wrong in terms they can understand. Now what I want you to do is to tell me what's wrong with that chopper in words I can understand". The warrant thought for a moment and then got a big grin on his face. "OK General", he said, "I think I can do that." Then the warrant officer turned around, pointed at the helicopter, and grunted "UGH, BROKE!"

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