

## OUR HONORED GUESTS TONIGHT

### General & Mrs. John Wickham

General Wickham's long and distinguished Army career includes:



Commander,  
5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 7<sup>th</sup> Cavalry,  
1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division

Commander,  
1<sup>st</sup> Brigade, 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division

Commander,  
101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division

Commander,  
8<sup>th</sup> United States Army

30<sup>th</sup> Chief of Staff  
United States Army

During General Wickham's stewardship of the Army, he secured creation of the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 5 that Congress approved. He felt the Army needed to capitalize on the experience of senior warrants particularly in the logistic and aviation fields. From that time, warrant officers receive Commissions at the CW-2 through CW-5 grades. While Chief of Staff, General Wickham also went on to approve creation of Aviation and Special Forces branches given their importance to the Army mission. Among his many awards and decorations, General Wickham received the Purple Heart medal for the serious wounds he received while serving in combat in Vietnam.

## FT. LOWELL APACHE CHAPTER

United States Army

### Warrant Officers Association



### 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner

NOVEMBER 19, 2011

# Welcoming Remarks

Welcome to the 10th anniversary celebration of the Ft. Lowell-Apache Chapter of the United States Warrant Officer's Association. We are a small patriotic and charitable organization within our parent. All our members are patriots, and qualification is prestigious. Our vision lives within the values known as patriotism, philanthropy and fellowship. We achieve 100% of our goals through the work of our volunteer members, their families and the friends who share our values. Our vision lives in a number of ways. Several illustrations:

- Organize & manage annual golf tournament at Tucson National Golf Course to raise funds for college scholarships' to Flowing Wells High School for graduating JROTC seniors and other aligned activities...
- Organize and provide staff for Arizona wide Apache JROTC Drill Competition at Flowing Wells High School Tucson as manager, evaluators, and scorers including award's presenter...
- Design and award Distinguished Service Award for up to four JROTC Students at Tucson high school JROTC Programs. Design approved for use by Institute of Heraldry and Cadet ROTC Command...
- Provide staff honoring veterans in area wide hospice program (HVHP). Participate in presentations to veterans' or families of patriotic knit blanket and certificate in thanks for service...
- Provide staff to locate remains of unidentified cremated veterans in funeral homes to assist Missing in America Project (MIAP). Participate in subsequent military recognition funerals.

## Toasts

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I propose a Toast to the United States of America

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I propose a Toast to the President of the United States

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I propose a Toast to the United States Army

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I propose a Toast to the Warrant Officer Corps

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I propose a Toast to our missing comrades

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I propose a Toast to the Ladies

## Program

### Social and Cocktails

### Call to Order

Invocation – CW4 Robert Ozier

Recognition MIA/POW

Toast

Dinner

Remarks from General John A. Wickham  
(Retired)

Former Chief of Staff, U.S. Army

Swearing-in of New Officers

Benediction – CW4 Robert Ozier