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# THE OUTBACK

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## *From the President*

*By: Sharon Douglas*

I hope this finds you all well and ready for the warmer spring weather right around the corner. Time to go from shoveling snow to thinking about making your home and surroundings “Firewise” for the monsoon and fire season ahead.

I have some Granite Gate news to share with you. After six years at G.G. Chef Josh has accepted a position in the Phoenix/Scottsdale area. While this is a great opportunity for Josh and his daughter, we will certainly miss his culinary skills, gregarious personality, and generous spirit. I know you join me in sending our best wishes and thanks for all he has done for NAC, US Vets, Stepping Stones and our members.

High school and college graduations are right around the corner, so scholarship season is coming up soon. NAC will again be providing 2 ROTC and 3 JROTC Awards. Recipients are from AROTC & AFROTC @ERAU, Prescott High School, Bradshaw Mountain High School and Mohave High School.

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**We will have an “In Person” lunch April 6th at Granite Gate.  
RSVP to Sharon Douglas at 928-632-5939 by March 23rd.**

*“Join with your fellow Officers and continue to make a difference!”*

We have an interesting Guest Speaker on 6 Apr..



**SOLDIER'S  
BEST ★ FRIEND**

Maj George Clark (USA Ret) is a representative of Soldiers' Best Friend, a non-profit organization that trains and matches rescued animal shelter dogs with Veterans suffering from PTSD or Traumatic Brain Injury. He will tell us how the dogs are selected, trained then match and trained with the Veteran. It costs over \$7,500 to do all of that, but the dogs are matched with the Veteran at no cost to the Veteran. I hope we fortunate Veterans will donate some tax deductible money to the Soldiers' Best Friend organization.

Semper Fidelis, Alex Torrance

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### **PRESCOTT HIGH SCHOOL AFJROTC**

Prescott High School AFJROTC will be our Color Guard for the April 6<sup>th</sup> lunch at Granite Gate.

These cadets represent a distinguished unit that just earned an “Exceeds Standards” evaluation from the USAF Southwest Region. Make sure to say congratulations to these young adults for their extra effort.

Their Instructor, LtCol Bill DeKemper, will be our guest so stop by his table and say “well done” for his hard work and mentoring.

Thanks to Alex Torrance for making the arrangements for the Color Guard.

#### Public Information Officer (PIO)

Submitted by: Dick Jonas

There is a new and better way at the MOAA website, [moaa.org](http://moaa.org), to write to your congressman. It is called the MOAA Take action Center. Here's how to use it

1. Go directly to the “Take Action Center” by using the link [moaa.quorum.us](http://moaa.quorum.us). At the top of the page, click on the “action Center Tutorial” link. Here, you'll find a description of the new system, the rationale for the change and info on how to use it.

2. After you've read through the tutorial, go back to [moaa.quorum.us](http://moaa.quorum.us) and click on the “Sign Up” link at the top of the page. After you've signed up and submitted the sign up form, your browser should take you back to [moaa.quorum.us](http://moaa.quorum.us).

3. Now, you can review the listing of issues. Out to the right of each issue is a link which is labeled “Write.” Click on that link. That will take you to a page where you will find a pre-written letter which you may edit if you wish, and an address listing of your congressmen.

**The Granite Gate continues the same COVID-19 restrictions. Please bring proof of vaccination and be prepared to have your temperature taken at the front desk before heading up to the dining room. Masks will be required when entering the building until you are in the dining room, then they are optional.**

## *From the President:* [cont. from page 1]

The Mohave Chapter has selected their award recipient from qualified high school candidates. This year with the blessing of the family, the award will be named The Jerry Hietpas Memorial Scholarship. The winner is planning on attending ERAU to study aeronautical engineering. There will be more information regarding all the winners, including their bios in a future issue of our newsletter. A big thank you to all who donate to our scholarship fund and make these awards possible.

Please be vigilant for phishing and fraudulent emails. Please make sure to look at both the name and the email address and make sure they both match what you know to be the correct information. If something doesn't look right, don't open the email. One particular scam is asking for the email recipient to purchase gift cards. Under no circumstances would I ask anyone to do this. The VA recently sent out a warning of a surge in cyber-attacks where the attacker sends a message designed to deceive a person and convince them to reveal sensitive information to the attacker. It is the most common means attackers use to gain unauthorized access to a device to obtain sensitive information. Unfortunately, veterans and their benefits are a popular target. Report suspicious emails to the VA directly at 1 (800) 827-1000.

This May MOAA will again conduct the Advocacy for Action Campaign, formerly called Storming the Hill. This will be a Zoom meeting with local Congressional leaders. Several NAC members along with Pete Kloeber and Darren Venters from the Arizona Council of Chapters will meet with either Representative Paul Gosar or his Legislative Assistant. They will be presenting MOAA objectives for 2022 which include: Military pay raises, The Richard Star Act, and The Stop Copay Overpay Act.

A friendly reminder that 2022 dues are past due at this time. Reminder notices will be sent out in the near future. If you have already paid, thank you. If you still need to pay you may do it online at MOAA.org or send your check to our Treasurer, Heather Weil.

I know we are all shocked and saddened by the events unfolding in the Ukraine. As Americans and humanitarians, we are compelled to reach out and provide help. This type of tragedy brings out the best in us. Unfortunately, it also brings out the scam artists trying to get an easy payday. Please do your homework before making a donation. Make sure it is a legitimate charity that can be verified. Here are a few charities to consider:

The World Central Kitchen    <https://wck.org>

NICEF    [unicef.org](https://unicef.org)

Doctors without Borders    [doctorswithoutborders.org](https://doctorswithoutborders.org)

Red Cross    [redcross.org](https://redcross.org)

Easter is right around the corner. It's a time of hope and renewal. Wishing you and your family a safe and healthy holiday.

I hope you can all join us for our Easter lunch on 06 April.

All the best;

Sharon Douglas, Surviving Spouse

President, Northern Arizona Chapter



## Ladies of NACMOAA

We gather at 11:30 AM, at Augie's in Frontier Village, order off their menu and pay individually. Our lunches are over by 2:00 PM. We encourage all ladies of NACMOAA to join us for this social event.

Our lunch dates for 2022 will be: May 13<sup>th</sup>; July 8<sup>th</sup>; September 9<sup>th</sup>; and November 11<sup>th</sup>.

These dates are all the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of odd numbered months.

The November 11<sup>th</sup> date may change to avoid Veteran's Day activities.

If you know of any of our Ladies who have moved or have health issues we should be aware of, please forward that information to Mary Jonas at [mlgjonas.2012@gmail.com](mailto:mlgjonas.2012@gmail.com) or call her at (928) 925-4674. You can also share wishes for prayer or spiritual questions with our Chaplain, Peter Jensen, at (323) 928-9918.

**Membership Corner:** Please forward any Membership Changes and/or Updates to Dick Jonas at [az04nac@erosonic.com](mailto:az04nac@erosonic.com) or call him at (928)636-2259. Dick has the responsibility of maintaining our membership roster, so inputs help to keep it current.

If you are in need of a NACMOAA nametag, Dick is the man to contact. The name tags cost \$6.00 each. There is no shipping fee if you pick up your nametag at one of our meetings.

### **Membership Updates:**

We are still holding at 72 Regular Members and Surviving Spouses. There are 18 members of the Auxiliary; these are the spouses of Regular Members. We are sending out four letters to the March listing of prospects from National.

By way of reminder, 31 March is the last day you can pay dues for 2022. Anyone not current with 2022 dues will be removed from the Active Roster after 31 March. There are still 41 Regular/Surviving Spouse members who need to renew dues; also 7 Aux members who need to do that. The best way to do that is to make your check out to "NACMOAA" and indicate "dues" on the memo line. It's \$25/yr. for Regular Members, and \$5/yr. for Surviving Spouses and Aux members. Send the check to:

NACMOAA Treasurer, 4839 N Viewpoint Dr, Apt A, Prescott Valley AZ 86314

If you know of anyone of your friends or acquaintances who are interested in MOAA, please put me in touch with them. My phone number is 928-636-2259, email is [az04nac@erosonic.com](mailto:az04nac@erosonic.com).

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**Newsletter Update:** I am very grateful to Roberta Rice for her interest in taking over *The Outback*. Her assistance on this issue was wonderful and she has expressed a desire to take it on.

After putting *The Outback* together for 12 years, with your inputs to be sure,

I am looking forward to a new hand / pen at the helm.

## **02 March 2022 NAC Board Minutes**

Submitted by Sharon Douglas, President

**Call to order at 10:02**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**In attendance: Sharon Douglas, Alex Torrance, Dick Jonas, Mary Jonas, Bob Wallace, Joan McDermott**

### **President recap information**

-Granite Gate news. 06April luncheon will be Easter theme. Chef Josh advised us that his last day at G.G. will be 18 March. He is taking a position in the Phoenix/Scottsdale area.

-MOAA challenge coins are being ordered this month

-JROTC/ROTC Medals were ordered from MOAA store. It is now open for apparel and branded items.

-Mercer Insurance has been acquired by (AMBA) Association Member Benefit Advisors. The transitions should be seamless to members.

-MOAA National quarterly incentives will be discontinued and the funds directed to charities/grants

-NAC received a Thank You note from Dody Hietpas thanking us for condolence cards and they are proud the Mohave Chapter Scholarship will be named in Jerry's honor this year.

-Joan McDermott and Char Eastman have identified a candidate for the above scholarship.

Award to be given at The Evening of Excellence Ceremony in May.

-Letters were sent to all JROTC & ROTC Instructors introducing Alex as our Scholarship representative. We requested the name, bio, etc. of their cadet winner of our award. Dates of all ceremonies TBA.

-The NAC Board unanimously approved an increase in the JROTC Award from \$100 to \$200  
The ROTC Award will stay at \$1000

-The yearly Advocacy in Action Campaign will take place in May via Zoom. NAC will have 2 representatives along with Pete Kloeber and Darren Venters, who will meet with Rep. Gosar.

### **Round Table:**

#### **Vice President/ROTC Rep/Guest speaker coordinator.**

-Waiting on information from JROTC/ROTC Instructors for scholarship recipients.

-Prescott High School Honor Guard will present the colors at our April luncheon

-Speaker for the luncheon will be George Clark from A Soldiers Best Friend. They provide Service and companion animals for veterans.

-Alex suggested a \$200 donation to the cause. The request was unanimously approved by the Board.

Secretary/Legislative Rep:

Unable to attend/nothing to add

#### **Treasurer:**

Unable to attend

Treasurer report was submitted. The report is available on request

#### **Membership/PIO**

-Current membership numbers

Regular members 72

Auxiliary members 18

\*Numbers will change after the final dues count for 2022

-The NACMOAA website is continuing to be updated and recently had scheduled maintenance from webmaster.

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**Personal Affairs/Chairman of the Board:**

-Bob suggested a joint effort between the Marine Corps League and NACMOAA for Timothy Day to be inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame. Timothy joined the Marine Corps in 1956 and on active duty from 1959-1962. He was honorably discharged in 1970 having attained the rank of Capt. Timothy went on to create the Timothy T. Day Foundation. He is a very generous benefactor to many charitable and veterans organizations. Timothy also founded the Bar S Food Company.

-Starting with the April NAC lunch we will be doing a “Mystery Member”. This highlights one of our members with photos and bio facts.

-The Marine Corps League/Devil Dog Charities are working on construction of a mini golf course at the Prescott V.A.

-A friendly game between NAC and the Marine Corps was suggested.

**Surviving Spouse Rep. /Newsletter Editor:**

-Ladies lunches continue even numbered months at Augie’s Restaurant.

-There may be a person interested in taking over the Editor position. They will train with Mary on this edition and see if it is a good fit.

**State Surviving Spouse Liaison;**

-Information on how to use the new Advocacy Center on the MOAA website was sent to all 9 chapter S.S Reps and Surviving Spouses in NAC.

-A request was also sent to contact lawmakers to ask for co-sponsors for the Caring for Survivors bill. Only 2 AZ Reps have signed on. They are Raul Grijalva and Ruben Gallego. Neither AZ Senator has signed on yet.

Next NAC Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday 04 April @ 1000

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, a motion to adjourn made at 1059 by Bob Wallace; motioned seconded by Dick Jonas

**~Chaplain’s Corner~** Chaplain Peter Jensen urges us to pray for the war in Ukraine to cease, and the needless death and destruction be stopped. He would like to share an informative interview of Franklin Graham highlighting humanitarian and Christian Ministries efforts to aid the refugees. If you would like more information or a copy of this article or spiritual guidance, please contact Chaplain Jensen by phone at (928) 830-3569 or via email [chcpetercjensen@gmail.com](mailto:chcpetercjensen@gmail.com).

Chaplain Peter Jensen may also be reached by phone or email for prayer requests, solace regarding family and friends, or spiritual guidance.

**Proposed Increase to Surviving Spouse DIC included in Caring for Survivors Act 2021** Submitted by Sharon Douglas, SS Liaison AZCoC

I would like to draw your attention to the “Caring for Survivors Act 2021”. While there are several items in the bill, perhaps the most important is a proposed increase in DIC. Just like the repeal of the widow’s tax, it takes all our voices to achieve success. Since this will be a somewhat expensive bill to fund, we need to be prepared for a lengthy campaign. Please don’t get discouraged and continue to keep this bill and its importance to Surviving Spouses in the forefront of our lawmakers agenda.

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Now that we have successfully repealed the widow's tax, we need to take the next step and let our lawmakers know we want our DIC benefits to be in line with other federal survivor benefits.

**HR 3402 "Caring for Survivors Act of 2021" Introduced in House (5/20/2021)**

This bill increases the monthly rate of Dependency and Indemnity Compensation payable to surviving spouse through the Department of Veterans Affairs. "To expand title 38, United States Code, to improve and to expand eligibility for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation paid to certain survivors of certain veterans, and for other purposes."

These bills would increase Dependency and Indemnity Compensation from 43% of VA disability compensation to 55% to equal other federal survivor benefit programs. This would increase DIC by approximately \$394.97 from \$1437.66 to \$1832.63.

The bill also adjusts the amount payable to surviving spouses and children of veterans who were rated as totally disabled for a period of less than 10 years before their death.

This bill currently has 45 co-sponsors. Only one from AZ, Rep. Raul Grijalva Dem. AZ3. The companion bill S976 only has 10 co-sponsors. Neither AZ Senator is a co-sponsor.

Here are two ways you can help us increase our DIC benefits:

1. Get on Facebook and go to: DIC Surviving Spouses/DIC Increase Advocacy. This is a closed group, so you will need to join by answering a couple of questions.

Once you are a member you will be able to see all the most up to date information regarding the effort to increase benefits, as well as ask questions and connect with other surviving spouses.

2. This can also be accessed from the MOAA.org website. It is located on the new Take Action Center at the MOAA website. You will also be able to see and comment on all current legislative affairs action items.

Once there you will find a template letter addressed to your Senators and House Representatives for your district. It is much more effective if you personalize this template and explain your own situation and how this increase would impact you and your family.

It is also very effective to call the office of our Senators and Representatives and ask them to consider becoming a co-sponsor.

Senema.senate.gov 1-602-598-7327 Kelly.senate.gov 1-502-475-5171

A thank you call to Rep Grijalva for being a co-sponsor would be a nice gesture. In DC 1-202-225-2435 in Tucson 1-520-622-6788 Grijalva.house.gov.

Since this is a significant monetary item, it may be a lengthy battle. Hopefully nowhere as long as the widow's tax fight. But be prepared for the long haul on being persistent on contacting your legislators and keeping these bills on the front burner.



**Bob Wallace, Chris & Alex  
Torrance got dressed up for  
our December Lunch.  
Just wanted to share.**



## Major Breakthroughs on Toxic Exposure Reform From VA, Congress, White House

March 02, 2022 By: Kevin Lilley

(Updated March 3 with the House passage of Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2021.– PACT Act)

The push to provide veterans exposed to toxins during service with the benefits they deserve took significant steps forward on all fronts to begin the month, from the halls of Congress to the State of the Union address to a major change in VA policy.

MOAA has worked with both the legislative and executive branches for years to secure comprehensive toxic exposure reform, looking to avoid the mistakes and major delays from previous generations and create a transparent, rapid process for determining and rewarding benefits to veterans. The issue took center stage March 1 as part of the president’s State of the Union address.

“The VA is pioneering new ways of linking toxic exposures to diseases, already helping more veterans get benefits,” President Joe Biden said. “And tonight, I’m announcing we’re expanding eligibility to veterans suffering from nine respiratory cancers. I’m also calling on Congress: Pass a law to make sure veterans devastated by toxic exposures in Iraq and Afghanistan finally get the benefits and comprehensive health care they deserve.”

On March 3, the House of Representatives moved on the president's request, passed the Honoring Our PACT Act (H.R. 3967) 256-174. The omnibus reform bill moves to the Senate, which has passed less-comprehensive legislation.

The VA announced plans to add nine new cancers to the list of presumed service-connected ailments.

The announcement marks the beginning of the rulemaking process. The VA said it would allow for public comment on the proposal and would “conduct outreach to impacted veterans and survivors” after the process is complete.

### **The Honoring Our PACT Act**

MOAA joined House leadership, veterans advocates, and others at a media event supporting the passage of the Honoring our PACT Act, a reform measure supported by MOAA and dozens of other military and veterans advocacy groups.

The bill would provide access to care for 3.5 million veterans exposed to burn pits, said Rep. Mark Takano (D-Calif.), the chairman of the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs and the bill’s sponsor. It would add 23 respiratory illnesses/cancers – including those in VA’s proposed rule – to the list of presumptive ailments, and would also make the following significant changes to benefit eligibility:

Recognizing radiation exposures for veterans who served in the Enewetak Atoll and Palomares, Spain, and Agent Orange exposure for those who served in Thailand, Laos, and Cambodia. Adding hypertension as an Agent Orange presumptive illness. Eliminating the sunset for benefits related to Gulf War illnesses.


“There is no other toxic exposure legislation in Congress like it in scope or soundness,” Takano said. “And with the support of 42 veterans organizations and 100 co-sponsors, we have the momentum.”

MOAA has supported the legislation since its introduction in June.


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*Treasurer's Report: As of Mar 2 , 2022*



|                                      |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash on Hand                         | \$12,217.45 |
| Less Events Fund                     | -924.68     |
| Less Reserve for Scholarships        | -3,886.08   |
| Less Reserve Mohave Scholarship Fund | -600.00     |
| Less NACMOAA Honor Flight            | -3249.50    |
| Net General Funds                    | \$3,557.29  |



*Submitted by Heather G. Weil, Treasurer*

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MOAA VISION: To promote and protect a strong national defense and lead our nation to honor its commitments to all who serve.

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**Membership Changes: Effective January 2019** All Surviving Spouse and Auxiliary Members will pay **\$5.00 per year**. This will help us keep more accurate information for our membership roster.

What this means for Surviving Spouse and Auxiliary Members, after completing the form below, is that we can now vote on Chapter issues and hold office [effective January 2019].



NORTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER ~ APPLICATION FOR  
**SURVIVING SPOUSE/AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP**

Must be completed for you to have a vote on Chapter Issues or to hold elected office.

NAME: FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE \_\_\_\_\_ LAST \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ ALTERNATE PHONE: \_(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

MEMBERSHIP TYPE:

Spouse (Auxiliary): Your regular member spouse Rank / First / M Int / Last Name / MOAA Member #

\_\_\_\_\_

Surviving Spouse: Your deceased spouse Rank / First / M Int / Last Name / MOAA Member #:

\_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Make check payable to NACMOAA)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2019** Surviving Spouse/Auxiliary dues are \$5.00 per year.

Send this application to NACMOAA Treasurer 4839 N Viewpoint Dr Apt A,  
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314



**New Regular Membership Application Northern Arizona Chapter**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Service \_\_\_\_\_ Component \_\_\_\_\_

Status: Active Retired Former Reserve NG DOB(optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cel \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ ++++++++ \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Member of National MOAA: Yes No (circle one). You do not have to be a National member to join our chapter. If you are, circle membership type: Basic Premium Life  
and provide your National MOAA Membership # \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues** (choose the one which applies to you):

New Regular member who signs up in the 1st qtr - \$25; 2nd qtr - \$20; 3rd qtr - \$15. If you sign up in the 4th qtr it's \$25, but that covers your 4th qtr in the current year, plus dues for the entire follow-on year.

Amt enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (make check payable to NACMOAA)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mail check and application to:

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Prescott Valley, AZ 86314

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**All Chapter members are encouraged to be members of national Military Officers Association of America.**

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**Any person who has ever held a commission or a warrant in any of the eight uniformed services is eligible for membership in the Military Officers Association of America.**



# NEXT LUNCHEON! 06 April 2022

**LOCATION:** Granite Gate Senior Living

3850 North AZ-89, Prescott AZ 86301

Phone: 928-771-8200



**GATHERING TIME:** 11:00 AM

**PLACE:** Granite Gate Dining Room

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & INTRODUCTIONS:** 11:30 AM **BUFFET LUNCH:** 12:00 PM

**DIRECTIONS:** As you approach the Granite Gate Entrance, watch for the flagpole with the Granite Gate flag because there are no street name signs. **FROM PRESCOTT:** Drive North on US Hwy 89 past Watson Lake to Boulder creek Lane. The Granite Gate entrance is on the West side of Hwy 89. Turn Left and go to the parking area in front of the large building. **FROM THE AIRPORT / PIONEER PARKWAY AREA:** Drive south on US Hwy 89 by the Phippen Museum past Three Sisters Consignment to Boulder Creek Lane. The Granite Gate entrance is on the West side of Hwy 89. Turn Right and go to the parking area in front of the large building. For additional information go to: [www.GraniteGate.com](http://www.GraniteGate.com) or call (928)771-8200.

**COST:** The Buffet Lunch is \$30.00 per person. **The reservation deadline is 23 Mar.**

The easter luncheon will begin with fresh garden salads and rolls with a special deviled eggs Easter treat; followed by carved glazed ham and slow roasted turkey accompanied by loaded scalloped red potatoes, cornbread stuffing, carrots and asparagus. The finishing touch to this festive meal will be home-made carrot cake with cream cheese topping.

**IF YOU HAVE DIETARY RESTRICTIONS, PLEASE ADVISE SHARON DOUGLAS NO LATER THAN 23 March.**

*Sharon must have an accurate attendance count for the caterer by 23 March.*

Please cut on the line below and mail with your check to Sharon Douglas

**TO RECEIVE NO LATER THAN – Wednesday 23 March 2022.**

NACMOAA address is PO Box 95 Dewey, AZ 86327.

You may call Sharon at (928) 632-5939 to place a reservation if you prefer to pay at the door.

**LATE NOTICE CANCELLATIONS CANNOT BE REFUNDED**

April 6 Meeting: Please make checks payable to: NACMOAA

**All meals are \$30.00**

My check for \$\_\_\_\_\_is enclosed

Attendees: Members:

Guests:

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| Lunch - \$ _____            |
| <b>2022 Dues</b> - \$ _____ |
| Scholarship - \$ _____      |
| Honor Flight - \$ _____     |
| <b>TOTAL</b> - \$ _____     |

## SALUTE TO SERVICE:

Carol J. Ebersole, Col (Ret) USAR 1974-1999



After moving to AZ, Carol was an active member of NAC taking on the responsibility of the Chapter Newsletter for many years.

COL (ret) Ebersole served as a U.S. Army Nurse Corp officer in the Reserve Component and active Army for 25 years. Carol served as Chief Nurse in the Arizona National Guard, Staff Officer in the National Guard Bureau, Chief Nurse for the 309<sup>th</sup> Medical Group. During Desert Storm, she was assigned to Fort Belvoir, VA as head nurse in Critical Care and Recovery Room, and then as Assistant Chief of Professional Services. A year later, LTC Ebersole was promoted to Colonel in the U. S. Army Reserves and served in the 100<sup>th</sup> Station Hospital with active duty tours in the internal medicine clinic at Walter Reed Medical Center. Summers were spent as nurse practitioner for West Point in the field hospitals medically serving the troops in training. COL Ebersole retired in 1999. In 2015, when this was published Carol was living in Cottonwood, AZ. In 2021, Carol moved into Granite Gate. We are glad to have her close. Originally published in the Verde Valley Independent Nov 10, 2015.

Pictures from February 2<sup>nd</sup>; The Year of the Tiger Asian Themed Lunch.

Col Carol Ebersole at our December Lunch



Sharon Douglas with Paul & Donna Sadick



Roberta & Jim Rice



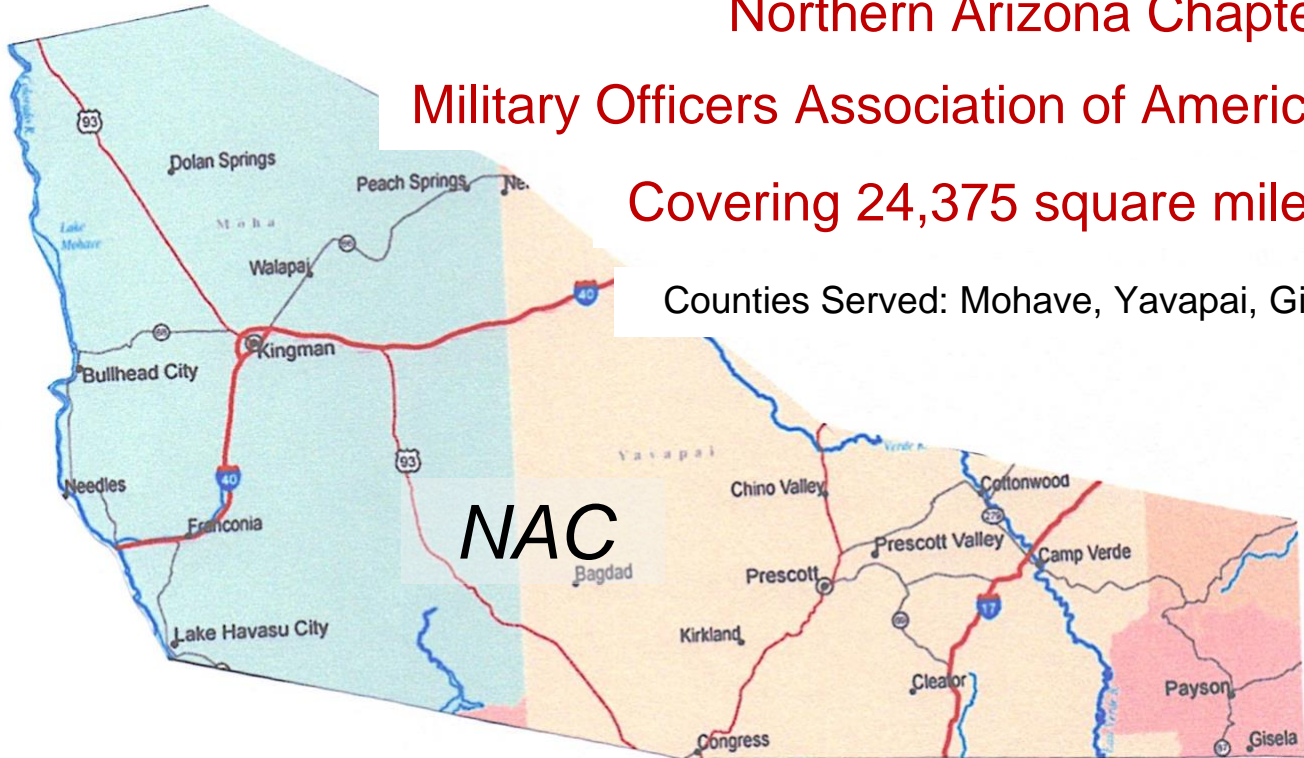
Dale Skurla gave our invocation



Thanks to Chef Josh and his staff who served up a wonderful Asian themed menu for The Year of the Tiger

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