Level of Excellence Award Winner: 2011 – 4 Star; 2012 – 5 Star 2013 – 5 Star; 2014 – 5 Star; 2015 – 5 Star; 2016 – 5 Star; 2017 – 5 Star; 2018 – 5 Star; 2019 – 5 Star; 2020 – 5 Star; 2021 – 5 Star; 2022 - 5 Star; 2023 - 5 Star;

2024 -5 Star

THE OUTBACK

NACMOAA

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From the President

By: Clyde Meade

We get up every morning, have that cup of coffee before we head out to work, do errands or maybe pickleball or golf. We might be wearing that Veterans' ballcap, someone will walk by and say "thank you for your service" or words to that effect. We respond, if a fellow veteran we might engage in a little conversation. Is the acknowledgment of our service genuine or is it just society's thing to do? These are just some of my thoughts. Sometimes I feel that what we have done and what we do for our country is just taken for granted. Also, we keep leaving out the most important member of the group, our spouses. When it comes to recognition, they always seem to be in the background. We need to find a way to recognize that they also "SERVED". As veterans we don't "DO THINGS" for recognition, we do so with the belief of giving back and making things better for those in need and to pave the road ahead for our future warriors.

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Where to find things in this newsletter:

Regular & Surviving Spouse Membership form: Page 17 Lunch location and reservation form: Page 3 **Quilt of Valor** – "is our award to Service Members and Veterans who have been touched by war" It says "thank you for your service and sacrifice in serving our nation".

Quilt of Honor – is a more general term for quilts given as a token of appreciation for service.

Sharing an article from LTC Brenda Hughey, USA, Ret (a member of one of our AZ MOAA Chapters) about a veteran in our community. Honoring Sergeant Glenn William "Billy" Johnson with a Quilt of Valor.

"You never know how the connections you make in life will unfold. A few years ago, I was visiting longtime Army veteran friends in South Carolina. During our visit, they enthusiastically shared their experiences receiving beautiful, handmade quilts from the nonprofit organization *Quilts of Valor*

Foundation (QOVF.org). I remember thinking, What a meaningful gesture to honor our veterans!

Fast forward about a year. I meet Leslie and Bill Johnson in Prescott Valley, Arizona, through a house and pet sitting service. In our very first conversation, I learned that Bill is a Vietnam Veteran. After several pet-sitting stays and a growing friendship, I was honored to nominate Bill for a Quilt of Valor through the QOV Foundation.

On April 18, 2025, I had the privilege of assisting Ruth Ordonez of the Arizona Freedom Quilts group in presenting a Quilt of Valor to Sergeant Glenn William "Billy" Johnson at his home. His proud wife, Leslie, also was present for the occasion.

Billy, a former high school football star from Wichita Falls, Texas, was drafted into the U.S. Army and served with distinction in the 4th Infantry Division in the Central Highlands of Vietnam from May 1970 to April 1971. Recognized early for his leadership, he rose quickly to the rank of Sergeant and served as an Infantry Squad Leader.

During the presentation, Billy shared vivid memories and reflections on the deep friendships forged during his service in Vietnam—testimonies to the lasting bonds built through shared sacrifice.

Billy's honorable service is marked by several distinguished awards, including the **Combat Infantryman Badge**, the **Army Commendation Medal**, and the **Air Medal**.

We are proud to honor Sergeant Glenn William "Billy" Johnson for his "courageous and selfless service to our country."

Semper Fortis, Clyde Meade President, NAC MOAA Chapter



AUGUST LUNCHEON CHANGE OF LOCATION:

We are returning to the Prescott Centennial Center

FELLOWSHIP STARTS at 11:15 am; we cannot enter before this time.

Details in this newsletter - directions, menu & RSVP info

JOIN US AT THE NEXT LUNCHEON: PRESCOTT CENTENNIAL CENTER

7 AUG 2025 - THURSDAY

PLEASE NOTE NEW GATHERING TIME- 11:15 am

GATHERING TIME: 11:15 AM PLACE: 989 Wineglass Dr. Prescott AZ 86301

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



Mixed Green Salad, Fruit Salad Au gratin potatoes

House Smoked BBQ Pork, BBQ Chicken

COST: The Buffet Lunch is \$30.00 per person. **The reservation deadline is 1 AUG.**

IF YOU HAVE DIETARY RESTRICTIONS, PLEASE ADVISE CLYDE MEADE

Clyde must have an accurate attendance count for the caterer by 1 AUG.

<u>DIRECTIONS:</u> (From Prescott/Prescott Valley) Take exit 317 (off 89A) for AZ-89 toward I-40/Prescott/Chino Valley. Keep right at the fork, follow signs for Airport/Chino Valley. Merge onto AZ-89 N. At the traffic circle, take the 1st exit onto Perkins Dr. Turn left onto Wineglass Dr. Building is on your right. (From Chino Valley) Head south on 89 S towards Private Rd. At the traffic circle, take the 2nd exit and stay on 89 S. Exit the traffic circle onto 89 S. At the traffic circle, take the first exit onto AZ-89. At the traffic circle, take the 2nd exit and stay on AZ-89. Turn left onto Mac Curdy Dr. Turn right onto Clubhouse Dr. Center will be on your left.

Please cut on the line below and mail with your check to CLYDE MEAD

TO RECEIVE NO LATER THAN 1 AUG

	ACMOAA address is PO Box 95 Dewey, AZ 86327 ou may call Clyde at 602 592 4636 to place a reservation if you prefer to pay at						
the door.		Lunch - \$					
LATE NOTICE CANCELI REFUNDED	LATIONS CANNOT BE	2025 Dues \$30.00 - \$ Scholarship - \$					
7 AUG Meeting: Please ma NACMOA - All meals are							
My check for \$	is enclosed						

Attendees:

Member: Guest:

IN MEMORIAM - NAOMA FRAISER



Naoma Fraiser, spouse of long time NACMOAA member Stewart Fraiser passed away on 10 June 2025. She participated in ladies group luncheons with Stewart driving her so she could continue to attend. They also supported the DAV, Moose and Elk organizations - always as a team.

Naoma was dedicated to education and enriching the lives of countless students as a teacher throughout the world and ultimately at Desert Winds Elementary in Phoenix. She was adamant in her commitment to nurturing young minds throughout the many communities in which she lived.

Naoma & Stewart were devoted to each other throughout their 50 year marriage. They set out on many adventures while traveling the world and created their own special memories. Their partnership was a testament to mutual love and respect for each other.

A private service took place. Cards may be sent to Stewart Fraiser at Touchmark at the Ranch 3180 Touchmark Blvd. Prescott, AZ 86301



NAC MOAA LADIES LUNCHEONS

The Ladies Luncheon in May returned to a familiar - and different- place. The newly relocated Augie's Restaurant at Pine Ridge Market Place. We will be keeping our luncheons at this location for the foreseeable future. Come Join us!

Our gathering dates will continue to be the 2nd Friday of odd numbered months as follows:

JUL 11; SEPT 12; NOV 14

Our meeting times continue to be 11:30 AM. We will order off the menu and pay individually as always. All ladies of NAC MOAA are welcome to join us for a social time.

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 or call her at (928) 925-4674.

Minutes of NAC MOAA Board Meetings & Treasurer's Report

You may now request a copy of the NAC MOAA Board Meeting minutes and/or current Treasurer's Report from Roberta Rice, Secretary - rbdrice@verizon.net.

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UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION & SUPPORT

What the Healing Field Means and What the Flags Are About

A tradition stretching over 14 years, Prescott Valley's Healing Field® display draws area resident of Northern Arizona together in a memorable and inspiring tribute to the victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11th of 2001. As the years pass, it becomes more and more important to remember those killed in what was then an unfathomable act of savagery and depredation. Innocent victims deserved to be remembered, and as the mature are reminded, we have the task of teaching youth, many who were yet unborn when highjacked airliners became weapons of death and destruction.

This display of nearly 3,000 U.S. flags creates an atmosphere of optimism and healing, which must be experienced in person to be truly appreciated. All are invited to visit the display at the Prescott Valley Town Center, which will run from **Friday, September 5th through Friday, September 12th of 2025**. You will be amazed to see this touching experience.

Each flagpole bears information about the victims of the attacks. Many visitors have found the names of friends and family, and others have come to pay respect to the victims and the first responders who gave their lives trying to rescue them.

Everyone is welcome to walk amongst the flags. Read the bio tags. Salute, or pray or pay tribute to each person who is represented by one of the flags. Count each of the boots, whether it be firefighters, police or military. Find each of the teddy bears on the flags of the children who perished on the airplanes. If you wish to volunteer, please check out their web site, healingfieldpv.com



Membership / Public Information Officer – Corner:

Dear NACMOAA Friends.

I hope by now that you have all had a chance to review our latest directory. Thank you to those of you who have looked over your personal information in the directory and verified its accuracy — or let me know if any corrections need to be made. Also, in the last column of the directory is the year through which our records show that your dues are paid. In our next newsletter I'll be asking that dues be paid for the 2026 calendar year. Dues are due and payable prior to 1 January 2026. Of course, you are free to pay for multiple years if you wish. Currently we are not able to pay dues online, but that may be possible in the future. Also, please keep in mind that we support our local ROTC and area Cadets with scholarships. Your direct donations to our Treasurer and our bi-monthly 50-50 drawings go to support this worthy endeavor. Thank you for your support. Your contributions are the only source we have for making these scholarship awards possible.

Dues and Donations can be made in one of two ways:

1) In person at our bi-monthly Luncheons; or

2) Mailed to: NACMOAA P.O. Box 95

Dewey, AZ 86327 (Make checks payable to: "NACMOAA").

If you missed June's NACMOAA Luncheon, you missed good fellowship, good food, and our speaker Jeff Timm, FCC(SW), USN (Ret) who is now Director of Military and Veteran's Affairs Services for our Congressional Representative Eli Crane. His talk concerned services available through Rep. Crane's office that provide assistance to military members, veterans, and their families in all manner of government interactions. If you are having a problem with governmental non-responsiveness or denial of services, please don't hesitate to contact him at Rep. Crane's office.

July 4th 1776 Independence Day! I pray that you all had a great 4th of July holiday. Growing up I always thought the 4th of July was a nice day to have fun, eat hot dogs, and watch fireworks. Today, I can't help but reflect on what it might have been like for the representatives of our 13 colonies to gather and proclaim "Independence" from the world's superpower of the day, knowing full well the consequences and sacrifices to come not only personally, but for our fledgling nation as well. I ponder with gratitude their sacrifices and resolve to hold fast to the Freedoms their sacrifices brought us. I pray that, as military members ourselves, our sacrifices, and those who have gone before us, have perpetuated that Freedom for generations to come.

May God Bless the United States of America.

As your Public Information Officer, I am continually looking for ways to let others know of our Chapter's activities and events and to locate prospective new members. Please invite any eligible prospective member to join our organization. We are gaining new members and want to make them feel appreciated and welcomed. If you see someone at our meetings that you don't recognize, please introduce yourself and welcome them to our NACMOAA family. Thank you.

LCDR H. Spencer O'Neal, USN, (Ret)
Membership Chair/Public Information Officer, NACMOAA
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LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE by COL (RET) Steve Woods, U.S. Army

MOAA recently announced some changes to the Legislative Action Center (LAC):

A New Look for the Legislative Action Center

MOAA is excited to announce that we have redesigned our Legislative Action Center to improve the user experience and more effectively highlight key campaigns. The updated top navigation bar now directs users to More Advocacy News, All Active Campaigns, and MOAA-Supported Legislation, reflecting a broader goal to make the Action Center a central hub for all of MOAA's advocacy efforts—including news, videos, and legislative engagement tools. These changes are intended to help users connect more easily with the full scope of MOAA's national advocacy work. Whether you are a seasoned user or yet to register, please check out these changes to the Legislative Action Center at: https://moaa.guorum.us/

<u>2025 Advocacy in Action (AiA) Campaign: Three Featured Advocacy Campaigns For Member</u> Review and Action

1. Honor Veteran Caregivers - Pass the Reeducation, Reemployment, and Retirement Act

The caregivers who provide daily care and support to aging and disabled veterans often sacrifice their own careers, financial stability, and personal well-being to fulfill their vital role. Many veteran caregivers rely on stipends classified as "unearned income," meaning they lose opportunities to save for retirement or contribute to Social Security. Caregivers also face major hurdles reentering the workforce after years of full-time caregiving, further jeopardizing their financial futures.

The Veteran Caregiver Reeducation, Reemployment, and Retirement Act would help close these gaps by providing professional development, employment assistance, and retirement planning specifically tailored for veteran caregivers. This legislation is critical to ensuring caregivers receive the recognition, support, and financial security they have earned through their service to veterans.

2. Stop the 34-Year Wait - Deliver Toxic-Exposed Veterans the Care They've Earned

Veterans exposed to toxic substances like Agent Orange, chemicals released by burn pits, and radiation should not have to fight for decades to prove their illnesses are service-connected. Yet according to a recent report from MOAA and DAV, toxic-exposed veterans wait over 34 years on average before receiving presumptive service connection and the care they've earned. The PACT Act was a historic step forward, but its work isn't complete.

Congress must pass legislation to bolster the legal framework for establishing presumptive conditions, (continued on page 9)

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creating clear timelines and processes to move from exposure acknowledgment to the delivery of earned benefits. This commonsense reform will cut through red tape, improve VA accountability, and end the long wait faced by millions of veterans.

3. Stand with Our Wounded Warriors: Advocate for the Major Richard Star Act

Contact your legislators and urge them to support the Major Richard Star Act, which would authorize combat-injured veterans to receive their earned DoD retirement pay for years of service and their VA disability compensation for lifelong injury.

Currently, these combat-injured (and often seriously disabled) veterans are subject to a cost-saving offset where their retirement pay is reduced for every dollar of VA disability received. To reduce earned retirement pay because of a combat disability is an injustice; the compensation for these injured veterans is not the place to achieve savings.

Arizona Advocacy

The Arizona Legislature ended its 2025 general session the last week of June with the passage of the state budget. We made significant progress during the session on several veteran-focused bills and I wanted to thank all chapter members who weighed in to help advance these bills.

Other News

There has been no change in Federal or State representatives or their contact information since our last update.



Thank you for standing with us and making your voice heard. I hope you find this useful and as always, please register and stay active in the LAC! Grassroots advocacy works, but only in you take time to participate!

Chaplain's Corner:



Members of NACMOAA may contact our Chaplain Pete Jensen anytime for prayer over the phone (928-830-3569), or to obtain confidential, Biblical counseling by phone or in person. No question you have is unimportant or "off limits". The Chaplain generously donates his time to our chapter members.



NACMOAA Surviving Spouse Liaison By Sharon Douglas



In the current political climate driven by cutbacks, it has become very difficult to advance bills that create or expand benefits for veterans and survivors. We have come so far in our efforts to make our voices heard to "take our foot off the gas". We need to stay diligent and let our lawmakers know we are depending on them to deliver the well-earned and needed benefits. Please educate yourself and stay informed. Consider getting information from more than one source, and fact checking it before passing it on.

Contact your congress person by phone, email, or by using the electronic form letter in the MOAA's Legislation Action Center to voice your concerns. Please stay active and involved. One voice, one vote can make a difference.

Legislative Update for the first quarter of 2025

Families & Survivors

MOAA NEVER STOPS SERVING TO HELP MEET THE NEEDS OF MILITARY FAMILIES.

The sacrifices of servicemembers and their families should never be understated. Military families face a myriad of challenges: career instability or dissatisfaction, food insecurity, frequent moves, saving (or not saving) for college and retirement, extended training or deployments that separate the family, and even the servicemember-spouse transitioning out of active duty to service in the National Guard or Reserves. Unfortunately, programs and services for military and veteran families are often the first to see cuts when government funding becomes tight. Routinely, such decrements hit staffing, which diminishes quality and availability of programs. These benefits are essential to ensure servicemembers are squared away and able to focus on the mission.

Parity for Surviving Spouses: Increase Dependency and Indemnity Compensation

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC)—a benefit for survivors of those who die in service or from service-connected conditions—lags behind other federal survivor benefits. DIC provides only 43% of what a 100% service-disabled veteran receives. Civilian federal survivor programs provide up to 55% of the employee's calculated retirement pay. This inequity leaves military survivors with less support than their civilian counterparts, despite the sacrifices their loved ones made in service to our country. Contact your lawmaker today and them to champion this bill and push for its passage.

Love Lives On: Protect Surviving Spouses' Right to Remarry

Surviving military spouses who lose their loved ones due to combat, service-related illnesses, or suicide often face a difficult choice: remarry and lose their earned benefits or remain single for financial stability. Current law revokes benefits if they remarry before age 55, leaving many—especially those with young children—without crucial support. The **Love Lives On Act (H.R. 1004/S. 410)** ensures surviving spouses can remarry at any age without losing their benefits.

By supporting this legislation, Congress can honor the sacrifices of military families and provide them with the stability they deserve.

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Don't let Veteran's Life Insurance Fall Behind Inflation

Contact your senators and urge them to support the Fairness for Service members and their Families Act which will require the VA to regularly review and update life insurance coverage limits for servicemembers and veterans, ensuring they keep pace with inflation and rising market costs.

Military Spouses Can't Wait-Add them to the Work Opportunity Tax Credit

Military spouses face a 21% unemployment rate, five times the national average, due to frequent moves and challenges tied to military life. Congress must incentivize employers to hire military spouses by adding them as a target group under the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) program.

Senator Elizabeth Dole 21st Century Veterans Healthcare and Benefits Improvement Act of 2024 enacted on January 2, 2025, aims to support Veterans and their families by addressing a broad spectrum of issues including healthcare, homecare for veterans, economic opportunities, support for caregivers, would also provide for mental health care grants to caregivers, and Veteran homelessness. The law includes significant enhancements to Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) education benefit programs through a set of 15 provisions.

Don't forget to check and see if you are eligible for a reduced Property Tax Bill. You have until 01 September to apply. Each county in Arizona has different stipulations and benefit amounts. Go to the Yavapai County Assessor's Office@1015 Fair Street Prescott or call 928 771 3220 for more information.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me: Sharon.Douglas.NACMOAA@gmail.com

Please contact me with questions or concerns.
All the best,
Sharon





Celebrating a Special Member of our Community On a very special Day

On May 27, 2025, Stewart Fraiser celebrated his 93th birthday with a custom made devil's food cake cut with a replica traditional Mameluke sword. Stewart retired with the rank of Major from the US Marine Corps after 27 years of distinguished service. He has been an extremely active member of the Marine Corps League and Devil Dogs, serving in leadership positions at the detachment, department and national levels. His contributions were recognized with awards of the National Gold Medal for Distinguished Service, Department Marine of the Year, Devil Dog of the Year and the Four Chaplains National Medal of Valor. He is an inductee of the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame, Class of 2016.

Stewart has also been very active in the Northern Arizona Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America, having served as President and a member of the Board of Directors.





Patricia Little - Upah - August Guest Speaker

Patricia Little-Upah retired in 2004 after serving over 30 years in the United States Army Nurse Corp retiring at the Rank of Colonel. In 1967 she was stationed at Martin Army Hospital at Fort Benning Georgia prior to volunteering to serve in Vietnam. She served with the 93rd and 95th Evacuation Hospitals in Vietnam. In 1969 Pat left the military for ten years; returning to the Army Reserve in 1979. In 1991 she was activated and served with the 403rd Combat Support Hospital during Desert Storm. She retired from the military in 2005. Throughout her Military career she had worked in various positions to include Commander of the 6253rd United States Army Reserve Hospital in Phoenix, Az.

Pat has worked in various civilian positions as a nurse. In 2012 she retired having served the last ten years as the CEO for Banner Behavioral Health Hospital.

She has received numerous civilian and military awards to include "The Legion of Merit" in 2008; Honoree at the 2012 YWCA Women in Leadership awards; 2014 she received The Pride of Tempe award for her work with individuals with disabilities; 2014 she was inducted into The Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame. In 2025 she received the Imprints of Honors Story Teller Award.

She is currently serving as the President for The Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame Society. She is on the Board of Veterans First Ltd., Friends of Fisher House Phoenix and the Veteran Family Advisory Council to the VA Medical Center in Phoenix. She served as a member of the Tempe Veterans Commission and on the Boards of Honor House and The Centers for Habilitation. Pat is a past President of the Phoenix Chapter of MOWW.







GOOD NEWS AT JUNE LUNCHEON







Clyde Meade Shares Chapter's LOE Award; Clyde Presents Communication Award to Newsletter Editor Roberta Rice (& photographer Mary Jonas); Jeff Timm- Guest Speaker (top right)



MEETING NEW MEMBERS &

RENEWING FRIENDSHIPS



Bridgette Bradley relocated to Prescott Chapter

Bob Roberts visiting from Utah

HELPFUL INFORMATION & NOTICES

See MOAA on the web at www.moaa.org
See NACMOAA on the web at www.nacmoaa.org

Northern Arizona Chapter MOAA Mission

NACMOAA's mission is to promote the purposes and objectives of the Military Officers Association of America; to foster fraternal relations among retired, active and former commissioned and warrant officers of the eight U.S. uniformed services, including the National Guard and Reserve Components; to protect the rights and interests of our members and all U.S. military veterans, their dependents and survivors; and to serve the community and the nation

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

MOAA MISSION: To advocate for our military community and connect it to the nation we serve.

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



Veterans Suicide Prevention Line

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (now known as the **988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline**), and is now active across the United States. When people call, text or chat 988, they will be connected

to trained counselors that are part of the existing Lifeline network. These trained counselors will listen, understand how their problems are affecting them, provide support, and connect them to resources if necessary.

The previous Lifeline phone number (1-800-273-8255) will always remain available to people in emotional distress or suicidal crisis

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.





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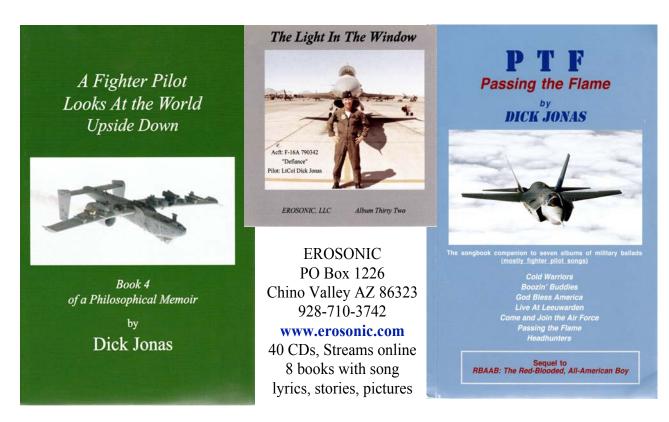


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Mail check and application to: NACMOAA Treasurer, PO Box 95, Dewey AZ 86327





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You can donate up to \$841 for a joint tax return or \$421 per individual return

Your donation helps provide critical services for our veterans

Contact us





AZ Tax Credit has INCREASED! You can make a donation to U.S. VETS - Prescott until April 15, 2025. Your contributions make a positive impact in the lives of the veterans we serve! U.S. VETS is a qualifying nonprofit for the AZ Tax Credit which means you can donate up to \$841 for a joint return...and it may be deducted from your Arizona State Tax bill. *Consult your tax professional and the AZ Dept of Revenue Guidelines. Please make check payable to U.S. VETS - Prescott, 1040 Whipple St. #400, Prescott, AZ 86305 or call 928 583 7199. U.S. VETS - Prescott's assigned tax credit code is 20136.

MORE IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

CURRENT U.S. and ARIZONA LEGISLATORS

To contact our Congressional members on any issues of importance to you personally or to MOAA, you can use the MOAA Action Center to send emails or you can visit the members' websites to send a message. You can also call their offices direct.

Our U.S. Senators and Representatives:

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- Representative Eli Crane www.crane.house.gov/ -- (202)225-3361 CD2 (Yavapai County/Payson Areas)
- Representative Paul Gosar www.gosar.house.gov/ -- (202) 225-2315 CD9 (Lake Havasu City/Kingman Areas):

As our chapter now covers three Arizona state legislative districts, please check your current voter registration card for your district:.

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Representative Quang Nguyen – <u>anguyen@azleg.gov</u> – (602) 926-325

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