MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

Huntsville, Alabama Chapter General Membership Meeting Minutes

General Membership Meeting Minutes 30 Jan 2013

President Bruce Robinson opened the meeting at 1130 hours at the Summit Club

Opening Prayer: Danny Buttram Pledge of Allegiance: Bruce Robinson

Welcomes: Members and Guests

President Bruce Robinson recognized and welcomed our guests

Les Haas Nancy Robinson Heather Robinson

Hillary Robinson James Palmer

• President Bruce Robinson recognized our new member, John Inman, LCDR-USN.

Reports:

- Secretary's Report: Meeting minutes for November were presented and approved as written
- Treasurer's Report: Rick West presented and the membership approved 2012's final Budget

Year	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
2012	\$4,095.56	\$8773.12

- o Largest 2012 Net Income areas were Sentinel Advertising, Fundraisers, and LMT Funds
- Largest 2012 Net Expenditures were Administrative and Communications
- Membership: Glen Williams No Issues.
- Branch Concerns:
 - o Army: Robert Szeremi, no concerns
 - o USAF: Ed Uher, no concerns
 - o USN/USMC: Ed King, no concerns
- Legislative: Jerry Haynes: discussed recent Madison County legislative forum--no significant veteran's issues were discussed
- Auxiliary: Carrie Hightower presented status of June Social: menu has been received, but may be adjusted following final decision on social's theme

President's Comments:

- Introduced members of the North Alabama Vietnam Helicopter Pilot's Association who displayed a presentation on their restoration efforts of a Vietnam-era helicopter
- Discussed 2013 Golf Tournament Planning: currently appears that it will not conducted as a part of Redstone's Retiree Appreciation Day (RAD). See Glen Williams to provide assistance/ideas
- Presented Scholarship update: this year our chapter will be provided the opportunity to be a part of the application evaluation process. the Redstone Wives' Club
- Upcoming Events:
 - o Executive Committee meeting: 14 Feb, 1130 at the Summit
 - o Breakfast: 23 Feb, 0900 at Steak & Shake
 - o Membership Meeting: 27 Feb, 1130 at the Summit; Guest Speaker, Tommy Battle, Mayor of Huntsville

New business:

- Charlie Marvin, Alabama Council of Chapters President presented current activities of the Council and the upcoming national Council of Presidents meeting in Washington, DC. Mr. Marvin also presented the HCMOAA with the Levels of Excellence Award for 2012.
- Mr. Marvin conducted the induction of HCMOAA's 2012 Governing Board

President: Bruce Robinson	• 1 st VP: Norb Patla
• 2 nd VP: Charles Clemens	Treasurer: Rick West

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Secretary: Don Kimminau	Army Rep: Arno Hoerle
Navy Rep: Hal Swanson	Air Force Rep: Ed Uher

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Guest Speaker: Dr. Harry Hobbs, Communications Relations Officer, Huntsville Police Department Dr. Harry Hobbs is the Communications Relations Officer for the Huntsville Police Department. In this role, Dr Hobbs is responsible for "educating the community, building relationships and marketing the Huntsville Police Department through external communications with the media and the community, and is presentations as a guest speaker at special community events among other activities. He implements Crime Awareness Campaigns and directs the annual Community Awareness of Youth (CAFY), teaches leadership courses for Redstone Arsenal and Leadership Huntsville and is a key instructor for cultural diversity, conflict resolution, fitness/nutrition, ethics & leadership and stress management at the Huntsville Police Academy.

Following a nearly 30 year career in the US Army, Dr Hobbs retired as a Chief Warrant Officer 5 and became a Professor of Military Science JROTC Columbia High School in Huntsville. He was selected as HPD's Communications Relations Officer in 2010. Among the many accolades Dr Hobbs has received, are 2011Mentor of the Year for the City of Huntsville, 2012 Veteran of the Year for the City of Madison, and 2012Man of Distinction Award. Additionally, Dr Hobbs was nominated for induction into the e U.S. Army Ordnance Corps Hall of Fame.

Dr Hobbs is a graduate of John C. Calhoun State College, Troy State University, and Murray State University and received his Doctorate Degree from Pacific Western University, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Dr Hobbs:

- Opened his remarks by calling up Glen Williams, Membership, and immediately joining MOAA.
- Provided background facts on the Huntsville Police Department, including: 500 personnel, including 400 Police Officers, responsible for law enforcement activities serving over 200,000 residents throughout the 200 square miles encompassing the city of Huntsville. He emphasized the department's focus on transparency to the community.
- Presented information, and invited the HCMOAA members, to participate on a number of community relation and education programs including Neighborhood Watch, "Ride-Alongs", the Senior Crime Prevention Academy, and the Citizen's Police Academy.
- Gave the audience a number of tips (for example, how to deal with door-to-door solicitors and phone solicitors) and encouraged the audience to review the HPD's website (www.hsvpolice.com) to gain detailed information on safety/security tips, city ordinances, and HPD community programs.

Closing Prayer / Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1250. Respectfully submitted by Don Kimminau