

New River Chapter MOAA Meeting Minutes 20 Sept 2011

Call to Order: Following a meal and playing of the National Anthem, Chapter Secretary/Treasurer called the meeting to order at 1655 hours on 20 Sep 2011 at the *Coffee House* in West Jefferson.

Members Present: Ken Lynn, Mac Hunt, Karen Strickland, Lee Eldreth, Jerry Lafferty, Robert Burgess, Wilbur Wright, Linda Marsh, Dan Strickland, Lee Holmes, Lee Lafferty (member-spouse), Frances Hunt (member-spouse), Monica Madden-Lynn (member-spouse).

Old/Unfinished Business:

Old Business: Due to a majority of Board members being out of town, no Board meeting was held prior to the general membership meeting

MOAA Levels of Excellence Award: Ken provided a quick update on the Chapter's recent recognition as an official *5-star Chapter of Excellence Award* winner for 2010 and reviewed all the Chapter accomplishments for the Chapter's first full year in existence.

New Business:

Personnel Update: Ken gave an update/announcement on the passing of member-spouse Wanda Huester...and a health update on RADM (ret) Scott Sears.

Scholarship Postcard Update: Linda Marsh gave an update on the scholarship postcard fundraising and spoke of two upcoming opportunities where members can participate in community events with an increased potential to earn donations. Both events are scheduled in October; please contact Linda if you're interested in signing up.

Guest Speaker: Chapter member Lee Eldreth was the guest speaker and provided a very interesting presentation on the Ashe County Christmas Tree industry.

Treasurer Report: Ken announced the scholarship fund balance stands at \$6,819.75 (pending reimbursement of a temporary \$500.00 charity payment authorized by the Board); and the general membership fund balance stands at \$1,748.07.

Other Business:

Annual Membership Meeting: Ken announced the Annual Membership Meeting would be in October where the election of officers for the next two year term will be conducted. He encouraged maximum attendance at that meeting.

50/50 Raffle: Frances Hunt was the lucky recipient of the 50/50 raffle.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned 2025 hours.

Submitted by Ken Lynn, Secretary

Approved by Doug Ehrhardt, President