

New River Chapter MOAA Meeting Minutes 20 March 2012

Call to Order: Following a meal and playing of the National Anthem, Chapter President Doug Ehrhardt called the meeting to order at 1830 hours on 20 March 2012 at the *Coffee House* in West Jefferson.

Members Present: Doug Ehrhardt, Charles Knapp, Ken Lynn, Louis Burge, Lee Eldreth, Pat Gobble, Ron Wilsbach (new member) Monica Madden-Lynn (member-spouse).

Old/Unfinished Business:

Old Business: There was no old business...although Doug played a slide show of the year 2011 in photographs that highlighted our accomplishments throughout the year.

New Business:

Treasurer Report: Ken announced the chapter had made four payments since the last meeting (P.O. box rental, NC Council of Chapters, Sears' memoriam arrangement and annual web hosting fee. One hundred and twenty dollars in Dues were collected at the meeting and the current operating fund balance stands at \$2,216.93. Effective 22 March 2012, the Sears Scholarship Fund balance stands at \$7,826.99.

Updates: Doug covered several topics:

- He provided a brief legislative overview and discussion of co-hosting a NC Council of Chapters Meeting with the High Country Chapter.
- The potential to earn money serving as volunteers handing out water at the upcoming Blue Ridge Marathon. Last year he and Cathy volunteered and earned \$80.00 that went to the Chapter.
- The Arlington National Cemetery interment for RADM Scott Sears will be held on 15 June in Washington, DC. Doug/Cathy and Ken will attend for sure...and anyone else wishing to attend should let Doug know as the potential exists for us to carpool or travel as a group.
- Doug will be contacting the local high schools to get nominations for the MOAA Leadership Award.
- Doug has ordered a Chapter Flag.

Other Business:

New Members: Since our last meeting, three new members have joined the Chapter: Tim Fuller, Lt Col, USAF (ret); Marj Fuller, Lt Col, USAF (ret); Ron Wilsbach, CDR, USN (ret) and Ron's wife Kathleen.

50/50 Raffle: Pat Gobble was the lucky recipient of the 50/50 raffle.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned 1920 hours.

Submitted by Ken Lynn, Secretary

Approved by Doug Ehrhardt, President