



FORT LOWELL - APACHE CHAPTER

- MEETING MINUTES -

10 NOVEMBER 2008



Meeting called to order at 1805 hours by President, CW2R John Curtis, with members saluting the flag during the Pledge of Allegiance. The President declared a quorum present. The meeting was held at [Michelangelo Ristorante Italiano](#).

Secretary's Report:

The minutes of the October 2008 meeting were presented previously to the members electronically. A motion was made by CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti to accept the minutes as published and seconded by CW3R Al Price. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti

As of October 31, 2008

Savings Account:

Opening Balance = \$5.06

Checking Account:

Opening Balance	October 1, 2008	\$5,452.47
Ending Balance	October 31, 2008	\$5,304.87

A motion was made by CW3R Ed Blankshen to accept the Treasurer's Report, subject to audit, and seconded by CW4R Harold Lindamood. The motion passed.

President's Report: CW2R John Curtis

1. A Big Thank you for the members that volunteered to sit as the Audit Team; CW4R Harold Lindamood and CW3R Gary Huggins.
2. The Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter had 3 members participate in the Massing of the Colors; CW3R Ron James, Coordinator, CW2 Ted Cogut, Announcer, and CW4 Bob Ozier was the Chaplain. There were 15 participating units this year, up from 9 units last year.

Vice President's Report: CW4R Harold Lindamood

The Vice President will be participating in the wreath laying ceremonies at the Green Valley Mortuary.

Unfinished Business:

1. **Chapter Elections** – Nominations were received as follows:
Chapter President – CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti
Chapter Vice President - CW2R John Curtis

A motion to close the nominations was made by CW3 Art Schmid and seconded by CW3R Al Price. The motion was approved. The nominations were accepted and the vote agreed to by acclamation. The Secretary was directed to cast one vote for each candidate.

The Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter officers for 2008 are:

Chapter President – CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti
Chapter Vice President - CW2R John Curtis
Chapter Secretary – CW3R Michael Turner
Chapter Treasurer – CW4R Harold Lindamood
Chapter Historian –
Chapter Webkeeper - CW3R Michael Turner

Congratulations! To all thank you for leading your USAWOA Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter. The swearing in ceremony will take place during the Holiday Party on 14 December 2008.

2. **Soldier Care Packages** - CW3R Al Price has collected \$151 for Soldier Care Packages. The unit selected for the first Chapter packages is the 504th MP Battalion. CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti will handle the coordination with CW3 Al Price for shipping the packages. CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti made a suggestion that the Chapter keep a single unit as the package recipients until the unit rotates back to the USA. The suggestion was agreed upon by voice vote.
3. **Soldier Relocation Project** –
 - a. CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti provided a clarification about the pavers the Chapter agreed to purchase at the October meeting.
 - b. The 8" x 8" paver with the **Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter logo ONLY** (no text) is \$600. An 8" x 8" paver with **TEXT only** is \$500. CW3R Ron James is to prepare a new USAWOA logo with *"Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter, Tucson, AZ"* as a ring around the outside of the formal logo. CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti will obtain further clarification of the use of the "new" Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter logo on the pavers.
4. **JROTC Drill Meet** – The following chapter members have volunteered to assist CW3R Ron James with the Annual JROTC Drill Meet at Flowing Wells High School on 13 December 2008: CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti, CW3R Al Price and CW2R John Curtis. A request by CW3R Ron James for the Chapter to contribute to the cost of the trophies will be entertained under New Business.
5. **Holiday Party** - CW3R Ed Blankshen and his wife Leslie will host this year's holiday party at their home on Sunday, 14 December 2008 at 1400. CW2R John Curtis will keep the members up to date on the dinner fixin's via email.

New Business:

1. **JROTC Drill Meet** – A motion was made by CW3R Michael Turner for the Chapter to contribute \$500 towards the cost of the presentation trophies for the Annual JROTC Drill Meet at Flowing Wells High School. The motion was seconded by CW2 Ted Cogut and approved unanimously.
2. **Chapter Meeting** - A motion was made by CW3R Gary Huggins to change the date of the December 8th Chapter meeting to December 14th and to be held at the CW3R Ed and Leslie Blankshen residence. The motion was seconded by CW4R Harold Lindamood and approved unanimously.
3. **JROTC Scholarships** - CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti discussed the possibility of opening up the Chapter Scholarships to any Service ROTC unit as long as they are located within the state of Arizona. The general consensus was NO! leave the requirement as it is; Army ROTC only.

Good of the Order

1. **Strip Map for Holiday Party** – CW3R Ed Blankshen will provide the written directions to the Secretary who will create a strip map and provide the map via email to all chapter members. CW3R Ed Blankshen reminded everyone that he will provide basic beverages and if anyone wants a specific beverage they should bring the beverage for themselves.
2. **Veteran's Day Parade** - CW2R John Curtis reminded the members about the Veteran's Day parade in downtown Tucson.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, CW4R Harold Lindamood made a motion that the meeting be adjourned; seconded by CW3R Ed Blankshen and passed by the members present at 1913 hours.

The next meeting of the Chapter will be held at 1400 hours on 14 December 2008 at the CW3R Ed and Leslie Blankshen residence.

Members Present:

CW5R Vincent A. Baiocchetti
CW3R Ed Blankshen
CW2R Ted Cogut
CW2R John T. Curtis
CW3R Gary Huggins
CW3R Ron James
CW4R Harold Lindamood
CW3R Al Price
CW3R Art Schmid
CW3R Michael R. Turner
CW2R Leonard Wilfong

Guest(s) Present:

Betty Lindamood

Submitted by:
CW3R Michael Turner, Secretary