



**FORT LOWELL - APACHE CHAPTER**

**- MEETING MINUTES -**

**14 JANUARY 2008**



**Meeting called to order** at 1803 hours by President, CW2R Curtis, with members saluting the flag during the Pledge of Allegiance. The President declared a quorum present. The meeting was held at Michelangelo's Ristorante Italiano

**Secretary's Report: CW3R Michael Turner**

The minutes of the December 2007 meeting were presented previously to the members electronically. A motion was made by CW3R Huggins to accept the minutes as published and seconded by CW4R Lindamood. The motion passed

**Treasurer's Report: CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti**

As of December 31, 2007

Savings Account = \$ 5.06

Checking Account = \$ 1998.32

Certificates of Deposit = \$ 5207.34

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

**President's Report: CW2R John Curtis**

1. Community Participation - The chapter received a Participation Streamer for our participation in the 2007 [Military Order of the World Wars](#) Massing of the Colors event
2. Warrant Officer Heritage Foundation - The chapter received a Thank You note from the Warrant Officer Heritage Foundation for our \$250 donation to Memorial to Fallen Warrant Officers, National Museum of the US Army at Fort Belvoir, VA. A flag streamer will be issued
3. A Thank You to Michael and Mary Turner for hosting Christmas Party in December 2007
4. Community affairs - Congratulations to CW3R James and his entire crew at Flowing Wells High School and the Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter volunteers on a great 2nd Annual Apache Drill Meet. The event included 28 schools, up from 23 schools last year. The winner of the Fort Lowell-Apache Trophy was Tuba City High School Army ROTC

**Vice President's Report: CW4 Harold Lindamood**

Note: **CW2 Craig Dowdney** is currently deployed overseas

1. The Chapter welcomes the newest members of the Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter: CW5R Dave Koch, CW5 Richard Blount, CW3R Ed Blankschen, W01 Jill Jungblom, W01 Don Schmidt and W01 Jeromie Stephens
2. Congratulations are in order for our newest USAWOA Life Members – CW3R Bill Keller and CW3R Michael Turner

### **Unfinished Business:**

1. The 2008 Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter officers were sworn-in by Col Louis Jordan, former commander of the Western Army National Guard Aviation Training Site (WAATS):  

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| President: CW2R John Curtis    | Vice President: CW4R Harold Lindamood |
| Secretary: CW3R Michael Turner | Treasurer: CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti   |
2. The following appointments were confirmed:  

Webkeeper: CW3R Michael Turner    Historian: CW5R Vincent Baiocchetti
3. Treasury Audit Report – CW4R Lindamood and CW3R Huggins approved the 2007 audit of the Chapter's financial books
4. The Historic Soldiers' Relocation Project Paver project was explained. The pavers available are:  
8" x 8" with an inscription of up to 6 lines of 15 characters each for \$500  
4" x 4" with an inscription of up to 3 lines of 15 characters each for \$100  
There are various discounts for multiple paver purchases and CW5R Baiocchetti will provide further guidance. The members present agreed to the purchase "in concept", but the chapter will wait until after the golf tournament to make a decision
5. The Scholarship Committee will contact the Senior Instructors at Flowing Wells, Cholla and Canyon Del Oro high schools to remind them of the scholarships and awards that the USAWOA Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter provides.
6. The Scholarship Committee will consist of the President and one other member, to be decided
7. JROTC Scholarship – CW2R Curtis provided the narrative update for the 2008 program and CW3R Turner has posted the program requirements to the Chapter website

### **New Business:**

1. The 2008 edition of the Fort Lowell-Apache golf tournament will be held on 7 June 2008 at the Tucson Omni National Golf Club and Resort. The entrance fees have been set and CW5R Baiocchetti requested that chapter members begin the search for hole sponsors and general sponsors for the tournament
2. The 2008 All Arizona Chapter meeting is planned for 16 March 2008. The sponsoring chapter and location are undecided
3. The 2008 Fort Lowell-Apache Chapter picnic is scheduled for 3 May 2008, all day at Ramada 7, Fort Lowell Park. The ramada has been reserved. POC is CW2R Curtis

### **For the Good of the Order:**

1. The members are fortunate to have 2 guest speakers tonight. First, Colonel Louis Jordan, former commander of the Western Army National Guard Aviation Training Site (WAATS) provided his insight into leading Warrant Officers during his command tenure
2. Second was a guest of CW3R Keller. Alex Drysdale, a World War 2 P-38 Pilot, provided a portal into the life of a P38 pilot during the war

3. Chapter Shirts – members are requested to pick up and pay for their ordered shirts
4. CW2 Craig Dowdney is deployed overseas and the Knights of Columbus are sending packages to Craig's unit from Tucson. The members agreed to assist Donna Dowdney in any way possible and to keep in touch with her. A motion was made by CW3R Higgins that the chapter pays for CW2 Dowdney's USAWOA dues while he is deployed. The motion was seconded by CW3 Keller and approved.

**Adjournment:**

CW3R James made a motion that the meeting be adjourned; seconded by CW5R Baiocchetti and passed by the members present at 1949 hours

The next meeting of the Chapter will be held on 11 February 2008, 1800 hours, at the Cattle town Restaurant, 3141 E. Drexel Rd

**Members Present:**

CW3R Edward C. Blankschen  
CW5R Vincent A. Baiocchetti  
CW2R John T. Curtis  
CW3R Gary Huggins  
CW3R Ronald James  
CW3R Bill Keller  
CW4R Harold Lindamood  
CW5R Brad Rinehart  
CW3R Michael Turner

**Guest(s) Present:**

COL Louis Jordan  
Mr. Alex Drysdale  
Mrs Jean Curtis  
Mrs. Nancy James  
Mrs. Betty Lindamood

Submitted By:

CW3R Michael Turner  
Secretary,  
Ft. Lowell-Apache Chapter, USAWOA