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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Harold Cooney

Another year gone by! I hope you and your families are enjoying the holidays and making plans for the new year. We had another wonderful crowd at our December Holiday Musicale with **95** members and guests attending. Joining us were the USAWC Class of 2017 International Fellow President **Colonel Susan Coyle** and her husband, **Colonel Mark Coyle** (both Officers in the Australian Army), International Fellows from Papua New Guinea and Djibouti, and US Class president **Colonel Rob Roberson**. We pinned three long time Chapter members joining us for the first time in a while, **COL Alden Cunningham, US Army (Ret)**, **COL Dee Munger, US Army (Ret)** and **COL Gill Bishop, US Army (Ret)**. We recognized those members present who served during the Vietnam-era, both in country and other places, presenting them a commemorative pin in recognition of their service. The **Grantham Brass Project**, a group of two trumpets, a trombone, a tuba and a French horn from the Messiah College Department of Music, provided entertainment and led us in our traditional sing-a-long! Finally, we elected the new officer slate for 2017-2018 and four Board members for that period.

Congratulations to those Chapter members and a big thank you to the departing Board members **BG Dick Potter** and **LTC Charlotte Kinney** for serving our Chapter. Having said that, this is my last communique as your president. It has been my pleasure serving you over the past four years. I appreciate your support and your friendship. I know you will provide **Mike Zang** that same support during his tenure.

Our merry 50/50 winners that night were: **Mary Pace, Dick Parady and Lois Bliss**.

Our January 11 luncheon will be at the Carlisle Country Club. See the Vice President's program notes for the details. Please make every effort to attend. We will induct the new Chapter officers at that meeting.

Chapter Officers and Board members for 2017-2018:

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Some key dates for December and January:

- o Dec 19-31 - Tentative Dates for LVCC closure for construction
- o Dec 23 - Military training holiday
- o Dec 26 - Federal holiday for Christmas
- o Dec 30 - Military training holiday
- o Dec 31 MWR New Year's Party at AHEC, 7 PM–1230 AM

- o Jan 1 - New Year's Day
- o Jan 1-31 - Tentative Dates for LVCC closure for construction
- o Jan 2 - Federal Holiday for New Year's
- o Jan 18 - AHEC Perspectives in Mil History Lecture, "Soviet Mobilization Planning," at 1915-2030
- o Jan 20 - AHEC Great Decisions Lecture Series, 1300-1500
- o Jan 21 - AHEC Winter History Program, "TBD", at 1030-1400

The Strategic Art Film schedule for the January, held in the Wil Washcoe Auditorium in Root Hall at 4:30pm:

Jan 5 - The Man Who Never Was

Jan 10 - Sand Pebbles

Jan 17 - Dien Bien Phu

PROGRAM NOTES

By Michael Zang

In January, we change locations and time for our monthly meeting and meal.

Instead of going to LVCC, we meet and dine at the Carlisle Country Club for the first four months of 2017. January also marks the transition from a dinner meal to a luncheon. Our gathering begins at 11:15 am for our social time. This month's speaker is **Mr. Stephen Focht**. His topic is "***Your Heart and You***". During his presentation, he will discuss how the heart functions, risk factors for having a heart attack, common symptoms of a heart attack for men and women, protecting your heart, and what to do if you think you're having a heart attack. Mr. Focht has a diverse background working as a chemistry and biology teacher, as a process engineer for a large electronics company, as an environmental, health, and safety consultant in

chemistry, and working for over twelve years for the American Red Cross as an instructor and instructor-trainer. The topics he taught for the American Red Cross included first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), and using the automated external defibrillator (AED). He has performed CPR and has also dealt with his own heart issues.

The program for February centers on our support for Dickinson College's and Shippensburg University's ROTC programs and the six high school JROTC programs our Chapter supports. This includes the presentation of two ROTC scholarships and hearing the ROTC Professors of Military Science discuss the status of their respective programs.

I encourage you to join us for both of these events and I look forward to speaking with you at them.



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CV-MOAA UPCOMING EVENTS



- Jan 11**, Luncheon at Carlisle Country Club
- Feb 8**, Luncheon at Carlisle Country Club
- Mar 8**, Luncheon at Carlisle Country Club
- April 12**, Dinner at Carlisle Country Club
- May 10**, Golf Outing and Picnic at the Carlisle Barracks Golf Course

Legislative News

By Jim Simms

On September 30th, TRICARE pharmacy contractor Express Scripts, Inc., announced that Walgreens pharmacies will return to the TRICARE network on Dec. 1, 2016.

You may recall Walgreens left the TRICARE network in 2011 after Walgreens declined to accept TRICARE payment levels. After experiencing drops in store revenue, Walgreens had a change of heart and has agreed to accept TRICARE payments.

Now it's CVS that's balking over the same issue. CVS pharmacies, including those in Target stores, will no longer process prescriptions for TRICARE as of December 1, 2016. TRICARE's answer is the same as it was previously for Walgreen's - pharmacies that don't agree to the TRICARE payment can't be in the TRICARE network.

The return of Walgreens means the TRICARE network will still include 57,000 retail pharmacies, and 98 percent of TRICARE beneficiaries will have a network pharmacy within five miles of home. Beneficiaries who have been using CVS will be notified about how they can transfer their prescriptions to a nearby network pharmacy. Those who use certain specialty drugs will receive additional assistance.

If beneficiaries choose to fill a prescription at CVS after December 1st, it will be a non-network pharmacy. This means they will have to pay the full cost of the medication upfront, and file for partial reimbursement from TRICARE.

The Chaplain's Corner

By Art Pace

There is an ancient story about two Tibetan monks who were travelling just after a storm. They came to a river now torrential and swollen from the excessive rain. A woman of obvious ill repute was standing on the bank, and pleaded with the monks to help her cross the river so she could return home.

The older monk took her upon his back, and with great effort forded the river, depositing the grateful woman on the other side. The two monks then continued on their journey in silence.

After the monks had walked about five miles, the younger spoke up in anger and said to the elder, "I must confess that I am furious with you. How could you do such a thing? This violates all that we believe! How could you agree to carry such a woman?"

The older monk looked at the younger and said, "I do not understand. I only carried her across the river. Why have you chosen to carry her all these many miles?"

The New Year is upon us, and with it the chance for new beginnings, new resolutions.

How many of us have journeyed through the past year carrying the heavy burdens of anger, resentment, or prejudice? It is time with God's help to lay those burdens on the riverside, and to journey into the new year free of those unnecessary weights. After the words "I love you," the three of the most powerful words in the English language are: "I forgive you." They are matched by four powerful words: "Can you forgive me?"

Let's agree that in 2017, we will try to travel lighter!



Our purpose is to encourage and facilitate camaraderie among active, retired, and former officers of the uniformed services, their spouses and survivors; to provide information to, useful services for, and to protect the interests of, members and their dependents and survivors; to promote the aims of the national MOAA; and to serve the community and the nation.

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**A Wonderful Night at the MOAA Holiday
Musicale Dinner!**



Gil Bishop receiving his pin



The Grantham Brass Project from Messiah College



**Great job by Bob Broyles
in presenting the Viet Nam pins**



Dick Potter receiving his MOAA pin



Dee Munger receiving his pin



Our Viet Nam era Veterans who were recognized



The rest of the panoramic shot of our Viet Nam Veterans



Welcome to our new President!



Our visiting IF's with departing board member Charlotte Kinney



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JANUARY LUNCHEON
Carlisle Country Club
January 11, 2017



PLEASE RESPOND BY Thursday, January 5, 2017

Remember, it is very important that you get your reservations in before the cutoff date of **Thursday, January 5**. If an unexpected event surfaces and you must cancel, please contact **Jane Mitchell** at 323-0012 or by e-mail at janehmitchell@gmail.com. Refunds for cancellations received after 4 p.m. January 5 cannot be guaranteed. Also, please see the note at the bottom of this sheet about dues if you have been notified that it is time to pay your dues.

The luncheon at the Carlisle Country Club will begin with a social time at 11:15 a.m. We will assemble at 12:00 noon for lunch, followed by a short business meeting and our speaker, Mr. Stephen Focht. He will discuss “*Your Heart and You*” highlighting how the heart functions, risk factors for having a heart attack, common symptoms of a heart attack for men and women, protecting your heart, and what to do if you think you’re having a heart attack.

Menu:

- A. Chicken Vermouth – Boneless chicken cutlet sautéed with wild mushrooms, artichoke hearts and roasted red peppers in a fresh thyme vermouth butter sauce.
- B. Flat Iron Steak – Choice quality pan seared pepper crusted flat iron steak served with brandied cream sauce.

Cost: \$28.00 per person, which includes salad, vegetable, dessert, beverages, tax and gratuity.
A cash bar will also be available. (For a special dietary meal, please indicate below.)

*****CLIP AND RETURN SHEET*****

NAME: _____ Number to attend: _____

Name of Spouse/Guest(s) if applicable _____

Menu choices: A _____; B _____; Special Dietary Meal _____

Check for dinner to **CV-MOAA** (@\$35): \$_____ enclosed.

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