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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Harold Cooney

Spring is here!! Congratulations to all of you for surviving the winter. We had a small group at the March luncheon. I hope it was because everyone was taking advantage of a trip to warmer climates. I, unfortunately, missed my first meeting in five and a half years as work had me out of town for the day. A big thank you to Mike Zang for filling in for me. The 49 members and guests present heard an informative presentation from **Ms. Cydnee Gentry, M. Ed.**, regarding the United States Army Women's Museum located at Fort Lee, Virginia. Cydnee is on the board of directors and serves as an education specialist for the museum.



Cydnee Gentry speaks about the US Army Women's Museum.

She discussed the Museum's purpose - to preserve and share the history of women in the Army. In her presentation, she highlighted women's contributions to the Army from the American Revolution through

the present. She related interesting anecdotes about women from the Revolution through the Spanish America War who disguised themselves as men in order to serve. The establishment of the Women's Army Corps was a major watershed event that altered the role of women in the US military. Women have continued to contribute by integrating into more and more branches and in April 2015 the first 6 women will attend US Army Ranger School.

Our April 8 DINNER will be at the Carlisle Country Club. See Mike's column for details. Please make every effort to attend.

ASSOCIATE NOTES

by Patti Leggett

As I write this on March 13th the temperature is rising and the snow is almost gone – Hurrah!!

Some gleanings from the recent MOAA Military Officer magazine: On page 74 is a good article on housing options and other related issues to consider when entering retirement. It touches on the three key points you should take into account – lifestyle, health and financial resources. Also, page 103, *World-Class Products* (this page is in each edition of the MOAA magazine) gives information on many interesting companies that provide services and benefits of interest to members. This is an excellent magazine so I encourage you to read it.

A caution and heads up – watch what you put on the world-wide web – hacking is always possible and whatever is posted is there forever!



Patti Leggett and George and Jeanne Shevlin are happy to welcome spring to the mid-state.

SPRING GOLF OUTING

by Robert Byrne

It will soon be time for our CV-MOAA Spring Golf Outing and Picnic on Wednesday, 13 May 2015 at the Carlisle Barracks Golf Course. The tournament begins at 12:00 noon; the picnic social hour starts at 5:30 p.m. with the picnic being served between 6:00 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. The picnic menu will be typical picnic fare, (hot dogs, pork BBQ, or 5 oz. Chicken breast, potato salad, baked beans, chips, beer and soda with cake for dessert). The price of the picnic will be \$16 per person.

The tournament will be an 18-hole scramble – there will be no “Special” rules. All tournament players must be members of CV-MOAA. Players will be grouped into foursomes or threesomes, as necessary, based on handicaps. Robert Byrne is the CINC/tournament director and will provide specific instructions, rules and team composition on the day of the tournament. For those golfing, please be at the golf course NLT 11:30 a.m. on the day of play for starters instructions. The first tee-time will be 12:00 noon.

PROGRAM NOTES

by Michael Zang

The April event is a DINNER at the Carlisle Country Club on Wednesday, April 8, 2015. Our speaker will be **COL Omasanjuwa Bratte, an International Fellow from Nigeria**. It is common knowledge that Nigeria and other countries in the Sahel and West Africa face an existential threat from the terror activities of Islamic extremist sects such as AQIM and Boko Haram. Since the return to democratic rule in Nigeria in 1999, US military assistance transcends training assistance to include the US playing a key role in shaping government policy for reforming the military. COL Bratte will address the facts and fictions of US Military Assistance to Nigeria and share his reasoning why there exists a need for a total re-appraisal of the US military assistance policy in Nigeria.

Here are the dates for all our events for the remainder of the year so go ahead and mark your calendars now.

CV-MOAA UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 8, Dinner at the Carlisle Country Club

May 13, Golf Outing and Picnic at the Carlisle Barracks Golf Course

Sept 9, Dinner at Letort View Community Center

Oct 14, Golf Outing and Picnic at the Carlisle Barracks Golf Course

Nov 18, Dinner at Letort View Community Center

Dec 9, Dinner and Christmas Musical at Letort View Community Center

PHOTOS FROM MARCH 2015 LUNCHEON



Cydnee Gentry dons a WWI Doughboy helmet while Charlotte Kinney models a WAC DI hat.



Our guest speaker hears Pat Simms experiences from her Army Nurse Corps days.



Sally and Bob Chant, Lois and Don Bliss and Scotty Roberge say good riddance to winter.



Betty Bowes and Ruth Kee toast spring.



Carla Fisher shares her military experiences from the Vietnam era to present with our guest speaker.



Julie Manta and Keith Gillespie catch up during Social Hour.



Bill Bolen, Ed Skender, Sally Broyles and Susan Skender mingle during Social Hour.



Frank Beskid, Dick Rodney and Dan Whiteside take a break to pose for the photographer.



Carla Fisher and Charlotte Kinney explain some of the museum artifacts to Glenn Mitchell.



Bob Kee and Mike Perry are just happy to be here.



Jim Dicrocco, Bill Seely and Fred Gellert discuss the state of current affairs.



Tom Bowes, Bill Seely and Gus Gustafson think things are more like they are today than they've ever been before.

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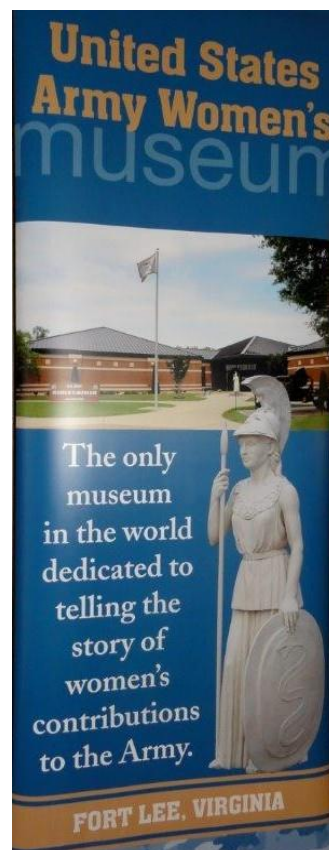
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Army Women's Museum telling the story of women's contributions to the Army.

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**RESERVATIONS FORM
April Dinner
Carlisle Country Club
April 8, 2015**

PLEASE RESPOND BY Thursday, April 2, 2015

Remember, it is very important that you send your reservations in before the cutoff date of Thursday April 2, 2015. If an unexpected event surfaces and you must cancel, please contact Jane Mitchell at 323-0012 or by e-mail at jhmitchell2002@aol.com. Refunds for cancellations received after 4 p.m. **April 2** cannot be guaranteed. Also, please see the note at the bottom of this sheet if you have been notified that your dues need to be paid.

The dinner at the **Carlisle Country Club** will begin with a social time at 6:15 p.m. We will assemble at 7:00 p.m. for dinner, followed by a short business meeting and our speaker, COL Omasanjuwa Bratte, an International Fellow from Nigeria. COL Bratte will address the facts and fictions of US Military Assistance to Nigeria and share his reasoning why there exists a need for a total re-appraisal of the US military assistance policy in Nigeria.

Menu:

A. Chicken Cordon Bleu, a chicken breast cutlet filled with smoked ham, Dijon mustard, and alpine lace Swiss cheese, breaded, golden fried, and served with sauce supreme.

B. Jamaican Pork Tenderloin, Jamaican seasoned pan seared pork tenderloin medallions with fresh fruit salsa and dark rum sauce.

Cost: \$36.00 per person, which also includes salad, dessert, beverages, tax and gratuity. A cash bar will 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 (@\$36): \$_____ enclosed.

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