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PRESIDENT'S CORNER By Harold Cooney

HAPPY NEW YEAR!! Where did 2014 go!? The weather has turned very winter-like, so please let us be very careful in all our holiday travels. We had yet another huge crowd at our December meeting with 101 members and guests attending. We welcomed one new MOAA Life Member in the Chapter -- Bill Seely. We were very delighted to see a number of members we haven't seen for some time so we could renew old friendships and catch up on all the news. We were honored to have in attendance the USAWC Class of 2015 International Fellow's President, Brigadier Apollo Kasitta-Gowa (Uganda), and his bride Alice and four other International Fellows from Korea, UAE, Burundi and Switzerland. Also joining the festivities were the USAWC US Class President, COL Mark Baxter, and his bride Carol.

We provided our own entertainment for a change and closed the evening with rousing choruses of "Jingle Bells" and "Deck the Halls" -- led by our own **Bill Seely**. Thanks to everyone for making it a memorable evening!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS to all!!

Our January 14th luncheon will be at the **Carlisle Country Club**. Please make every effort to attend.





2015 AWC IF Class President, Brigadier Apollo Kasitta-Gowa, and his wife, Alice.



2015 AWC US Class President, COL Mark Baxter, and his wife, Carol.

January 2015



MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Santa is not the only one checking his list to see who's naughty or nice – our Membership Chair will be checking his list to see who has not paid their 2015 Chapter dues. So, avoid getting that lump of coal in your stocking by renewing soon. If you are not sure of your dues status, contact our Membership Chair, **Glenn Mitchell** at 323-0012 or email <u>mitchellmd@aol.com</u>. He'll be glad to check the files for you. The sooner everyone renews, the quicker we'll be able to update and submit our Chapter membership roster to MOAA national headquarters and qualify for any applicable membership incentives.





Donna and Fred Gellert with IFs from Switzerland, UAE and Burundi.



Charlotte Kinney with IF from South Korea.

PROGRAM NOTES

Our January luncheon speaker will be LTC Georges Sakr, International Fellow from Lebanon. LTC Sakr is a Lebanese Army Ranger with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Public Relations and Media. He has deployed a number of times to Jordan and he will speak to us regarding the role of Lebanese Special Forces in Combatting Terrorism. We had a great crowd in December, so let's carry that enthusiasm into the New Year!

These are the dates for our winter and spring meetings, so mark your calendars now.

CV-MOAA UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 14, Luncheon at the Carlisle Country Club

Feb 11, Luncheon at the Carlisle Country Club

Mar 11, Luncheon at the Carlisle Country Club

Apr 8, Dinner at the Carlisle Country Club

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

50/50 winners at the December dinner were Laurie Harkey, Pat Seely, George Shevlin and Hal Nelson. Congratulations!



Bill Seeley collects winnings from Jim Dunn.

PHOTOS OF THE DECEMBER DINNER



Shirley Levasseur, Lydia Gole and Joan Shaw are a picture of holiday cheer.



Karen and Michael Zang, incoming Chapter VP, enjoying the holiday tree.



James and Pat Simms are in the spirit.



Wendy Tibbetts, Peggy Thompson and Mary Rhen in a holiday mood.





Lois Cole joins the festivities.



Laurie and Bill Harkey enjoy the evening.



Judy and Robert Read make the perfect couple.



Werner and Dee Schmidt join the party.



Pat and Bill Solomon greet the season.



Susan and Dutch Kissinger wish all well.



Jeanne and George Shevlin enjoying the spirit.



Sharon and Dick Blouch before the tree.



Sally and Bob Broyles make the season bright.



Kathy and Ed Enterline brighten the evening.



Ruth and Robert Kee begin the season.



Sally and Bob Chant enjoy the evening.



Janet and Hal Nelson celebrating.



Bill Bolen and Fred Drews socializing.



Joyce and Robert Scott welcome the season.



Lynda and Barrie Zais wish all the best.



Susan and Ed Skender brighten the night.



Barbara George, Lynda Zais and Carol Lennon catch up on old times at the War College.



OUR MILITARY SERVING

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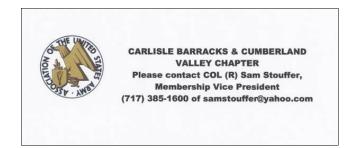
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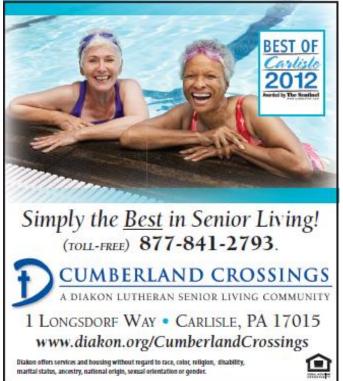


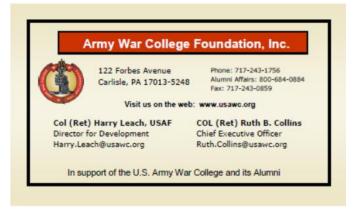
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RESERVATIONS FORM January Luncheon Carlisle Country Club January 14, 2015



PLEASE RESPOND BY THURSDAY, Jan 8, 2015

Remember, it is very important that you get your reservations in before the cutoff date of Thursday, January 8. If an unexpected event surfaces and you must cancel, please contact Jane Mitchell at 323-0012 or by e-mail at <u>jhmitchell2002@aol.com</u>. Refunds for cancellations received after 4 p.m. **January 8** cannot be guaranteed. Also, please see the note at the bottom of this sheet about dues if you have been notified that your dues are due!

The luncheon at the *Carlisle Country Club* will begin with a social hour at 11:15 a.m. We will assemble at 12:00 noon for lunch, followed by a short business meeting and our speaker, LTC Georges Sakr, International Fellow from Lebanon, US Army War College Class of 2015.

Menu:

A. Chicken Marsala, sautéed with roasted wild mushrooms, sundried tomatoes, leeks and basil, in a Marsala wine sauce

B. Honey Glazed Salmon, fresh dill and Tarragon crusted filet, roasted with orange blossom honey

Cost: \$27.00 per person, which includes salad, dessert, beverages, tax and gratuity. A cash bar will also be available. (For a special dietary meal, please indicate below.)

NAME: ______Number to attend: ______

Name of Spouse/Guest(s) if applicable _____

Menu choices: A_____; B_____; Special Dietary Meal_____

Check <u>for lunch</u> (@\$27): \$_____ enclosed.

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Separate check for dues enclosed: \$_____for ____ years. Member _____ Associate_____



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