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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

By Harold Cooney

Well, winter is here with a vengeance!! We're paying for that warm November and December. I hope everyone is safe and warm! We had good weather for our January luncheon. A group of 55 or so hardy souls braved the sub-freezing temperatures to kick off the New Year. Army **LTC Reed Anderson, USAWC Class of 2016**, joined by his wife **Angie**, spoke to us about the current state of affairs in Europe and relations between NATO and Russia.



LTC Reed Anderson speaks to the Chapter.

As a Foreign Area Officer (Field Artilleryman) most recently assigned to the Army G-2 (Intelligence), he provided a unique and candid assessment of where we have come since the end of the Cold War, where we are today and what we might expect in the future in the Region. For many of us Cold War veterans, it sounded a lot like the same threat we faced in the '70's and '80's, but with

only a tenth of the US forward deployed forces as we had in theater. LTC Anderson reminded us that the rest of the world doesn't always share our perception of what 'partnership' is, or can be. He made it clear that NATO is probably incapable of fully defending Europe with current troop levels in the member nations. While NATO militaries are on the decline, Russia is building their capability. In our business meeting, we welcomed the new Chapter Board members.



Treasurer Hal Nelson, President Harold Cooney and Vice President Mike Zang pose for Chapter officer photo. Secretary Keith Gillespie was unable to attend.

Mark Your Calendars: The Pennsylvania MOAA Convention will be held September 16-17 in Lancaster, hosted by the Lancaster Chapter. Details to follow as the agenda develops.

Our February 10 luncheon will be at the Carlisle Country Club. See Vice President Mike Zang's

article for details! Please make every effort to attend.

The **Strategic Art Film** schedule for the January-February time period will be held in the Wil Washcoe Auditorium in Root Hall at 4:30pm on the following dates:

January 26: "Midway"

February 2: "The Gallant Hours"

February 9: "Teahouse of the August Moon"

February 16: "Manhattan Project"

February 23: "Pentagon Wars"

PROGRAM NOTES

BY MICHAEL ZANG

The speaker for our February luncheon meeting is **Andrew M. Zang, DPT, OCS, MTC**. He is the Clinical Director for Cardin and Miller Physical Therapy in Carlisle, Pennsylvania where he has been in practice for the past eight years. Andrew is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh receiving his Doctor of Physical Therapy degree in 2008. He will speak on Exercise and Aging. No need to let age get you down or stop you from exercising. Andrew will discuss the physiology of aging as it relates to how it may impact your health, wellness, and fitness. Furthermore, information on the benefits of exercise, safe modes of exercise, and general guidelines for starting/maintaining an exercise program will be presented. Come out and listen to how an active lifestyle is a benefit to your overall health and wellness.

In March, we again meet for lunch at the Carlisle Country Club. Our speaker will be **COL Robert Culp**, a member of the Army War College Class of 2016. He will speak on Central America.

CV-MOAA UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 10, Luncheon at Carlisle Country Club

Mar 9, Luncheon at Carlisle Country Club

April 13, Dinner at the Carlisle Country Club

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

This week's Legislative Update from MOAA includes a request for help in raising awareness for a new online survey of women veterans from the VFW. The link for this survey is as follows:

<https://www.research.net/r/VFWSurveyofWomenVeterans>

This survey will help the VFW evaluate the current state of health care and benefits afforded to women veterans. The VFW will use survey responses to make recommendations to both VA and Congress on how to meet the needs of women veterans.

So, we invite our women veterans to check this site out and pass the information request on to any other female veterans you may know.

If you have additional questions about the survey, you may contact the VFW via email: vfw@vfw.org or phone: 1-800-VFW-1899 (1-800-839-1899).

Thank you for your service and participation!



PHOTOS OF THE JANUARY LUNCHEON



Angie Anderson engages in an animated discussion prior to luncheon.



Bill Solomon and Burck Burckhardt smoozing.



Pattie Leggett and Ron Elliott graciously pose for the photographer.



Dick Rodney and Jim Simms engaged in solving deep issues.



Romaine and Leo McMahon brighten the winter day with their smiles.



Chapter ladies in deep discussion of events.



Ron Elliott and Ed Boggs share a joke.



Allan Williams and Ed Skender enjoy social hour.



Mary Rhen, Wendy Tibbets and Dee Schmidt are ambushed by the roving photographer.



Jane Mitchell smiles while husband, Glenn, illustrates story to Fred Gellert and Ruth Collins.



Old Navy comrades, Frank Beskid and Ted Foor, reminisce.



Sally and Bob Broyles raise a toast to good times.

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Our thanks to LTC Anderson for his informative talk to the Chapter.

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RESERVATIONS FORM
February Luncheon
Carlisle Country Club
February 10, 2016

PLEASE RESPOND BY **THURSDAY, February 4, 2016**

Remember, it is very important that you get your reservations in before the cutoff date of **Thursday, February 4**. 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. **February 4** 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 hour at 11:15 a.m. We will assemble at 12:00 noon for lunch, followed by a short business meeting and our speaker, Mr. Andrew Zang, DPT, OCS, MTC. He will speak on not letting age get you down or stop you from exercising, as he focuses on the benefits of exercise and general guidelines for starting/maintaining an exercise program.

Menu:

A. Chicken Milanese – Seasoned lightly boneless chicken breast cutlets sautéed in olive oil and served with a tomato bruschetta relish and white balsamic drizzle.

B. Flat Iron Steak – Choice quality pan seared pepper crusted flat iron steak served with brandied cream sauce.

Cost: \$30.00 per person, which includes soup, 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 lunch (@\$30): \$_____ enclosed.

Mail to: CV-MOAA, P.O. BOX 278, CARLISLE, PA 17013.

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Separate check for dues enclosed: \$_____ for _____ years. Member _____ Associate _____



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