Susquehanna Chapter MOAA General Meeting Liberatore's Ristorante, Bel Air, MD 28 May 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Beahm at 6:18pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, a moment of silence was held, and Chaplain Bill Whitford offered the invocation and blessing.

President Beahm introduced the guest speaker, Mike Griffith, Maryland State Delegate for District 35A, and introduced new prospective member Navy CDR (Ret) Joseph Hall.

President Beahm announced that the Susquehanna Chapter was once again awarded 5 Star Level recognition from the 2024 Levels of Excellence (LOE) Award and 5 Star Level recognition from the 2024 Colonel Marvin J. Harris Communications Award for Excellence for both the web site and the newsletter. Bob Beahm pinned the LOE recognition devices on the MOAA Chapter streamer and presented the certificates for these recognitions to Bill Beddow, Chapter Webmaster, and to Ted Newing, who accepted on behalf of Larry Archer, Chapter Newsletter Editor.

Bob stated that there will be a proposal for an amendment to the chapter by-laws presented to the general membership for approval at the July 9 membership meeting. He is awaiting the final results of the recent fundraiser at Pat's Pizzeria but has been informed that \$40 was given in direct donations.

The membership was reminded of the upcoming events; an outing at an Ironbirds baseball game on 18 June, a general membership dinner meeting on 9 July, and the chapter annual picnic on 13 September.

President Beahm invited Mike Griffith to begin his presentation during which the main course was served. Mike spoke on the results of the recent legislative session initiatives targeted to veterans and their families and President Beahm presented Mike with a chapter Certificate of Appreciation and a donation in his name to the MOAA Scholarship Fund.

Bill Bedow conducted the raffle and 50/50 drawings. The 50/50 raffle was won by Colleen Newing who turned the money back to the chapter.

Following the benediction by Chaplain Bill Whitford, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith Reagan (for Connie Richardson, Secretary)