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LUNCHEON FOR 2008

DATE	PLACE	LOCATION
January 26	Riverbend Country Club	1214 Dulles Ave, Sugar Land
February 22		
March 29		
April 26		
May 31		
June 28		
July 26		
August 30		
September 21		
October 29		
November 29		
December		

3rd VP Membership**PHILIP A. BOSSERT, JR., Col, USAF**

You may also want to put this in your newsletters: donations to the Houston Corps of Cadets scholarship endowment fund can be mailed to: The University of Houston, Development Office, 400 E Cullen Building, Houston, TX 77204-2013. Make checks out to the University of Houston, and note on the check "For Houston Corps of Cadets."

Thanks!

Col. Phil Bossert

**LADIES CORNER**
President - MOWA

The Christmas luncheon At Vargo's was well-attended and everyone seemed to enjoy being together again for the last meeting in 2007.

Our first meeting for 2008 will be at the Briar Club (located on the corner of 2603 Timmons and Westheimer) on January 17th. Social time at 11:30 and lunch will be served at noon.

Menu: Choice of Bay Snapper or Parmesan Chicken, fresh vegetables, rolls and butter, white chocolate lemon cheese cake, and gourmet coffee or tea. Cost: \$27.

Call Alice Alvaredo at 281-261-0276 before 6:00 PM on the Monday before the luncheon on Thursday if you plan on attending.

Call Lucy Somers at 713-465-2676 if you know someone who is sick or has lost a family member.

Ed Hale
ROTC

ROTC

It has been the practice of **MOAAHA** to present medals to deserving young ROTC and JROTC students in several South Texas High Schools and Universities. Questions have arisen concerning the criteria used for the recipients of these medals.

The HAROA Executive Committee formed a study group which placed in writing a set of guidelines for all interested parties.

The study group consisted of current ROTC instructors with first hand data; former ROTC instructors, now retired; retired officers who began their military careers in ROTC; retired officers who have worked in the program for years, including procurement, distribution, coordination of people to make the presentations and the presentations themselves.

The guidelines are as follows:

- * Have completed 2nd or 3rd year of ROTC
- * Demonstrated patriotism or integrity
- * Proven academic excellence with a grade point average of at least 2.5 and a military average of 3.1 or better
- * Displayed leadership by having achieved the rank of NCO or commissioned officer

Nominations must be forwarded to COL Ed Hale, by mail

2292 Jean St Houston, TX 77023-5009, no later than 31 March. Please provide me with the date, time and place of the award ceremony along with directions; also, name and phone number of person to contact for additional information.

We also need volunteers to present the awards. Please contact COL Ed Hale if you are able to do this. Call (713) 644-3796 to leave a message.

5 MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD AT RUDI AS PER SCHEDULE BLOW

Jan 22	Feb 19	Mar 25	Apr 22
May 27	Jun 24	Jul 22	Aug 26
Sept 23	Oct 28	Nov 25	Dec 8

CDR Tulich at [Mailto:gene42@flash.net](mailto:gene42@flash.net) .

Houston Military Affairs Committee Meeting - Jan 10

- 36th Division Association Meeting - Jan 12
- Marine Corps Coordinating Council - Jan 15
- Gathering of Eagles - Jan 16
- Houston Marine Networking Luncheon - Jan 17
- USCG Chief Petty Officer's Association Meeting - Jan 19
- UPDATE - Career Fair by Recruit Military - Jan 22
- NEW - Military Appreciation Night with Houston Rockets - Jan 27
- NEW - Houston Chapter Blackhorse (11th ACR) Association Meeting - Jan 28
- NEW - Annual Naval Order of the United States Banquet - Feb 8

- NEW - National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, Feb 10-16
- NEW - Armed Services Blood Drive and 5K run - Mar 1
- Swing for the Troops USO Golf Tournament - Mar 10
- American EX-POW Day - Apr 9
- Helping a Hero Gala - Apr 13
- Armed Forces Day Military Ball - May 17
- Ellington Field
- Veterans Museum in Texas Developments
- NEW - VA Notes
- Need for speakers and subject matter experts
- Houston Military Affairs Committee Membership Drive

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Janet Evans 2nd Vice President, Arrangements

Riverbend Country Club-January 26, 2008
Refreshments at 11:00 and Lunch is served at 12:00

Menu:

Riverbend Salad, Grilled Chicken Acapulco, Seared Tomatoes,
pepper-jack cheese cream sauce

OR

8 oz. Char-grilled Pork Chop, herb roasted Red Potatoes, Key Largo
Vegetable blend

Dessert: Double-chocolate Cake. Coffee or Ice Tea

Reservation by January 22, 2008 to Janet Evans

WAYNE RITTER

1st V.P. SPEAKERS

Teri Walthen is the Hearing Loss Resource Specialist for the Communication Access Ability Group (CAAG). This organization serves the Communication Access needs of people who are hard of hearing, working in partnership with Texas D.A.R.S. - Office for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services. She will talk about hearing loss and how it affects not only the person with the hearing loss, but also family and friends. She will demonstrate devices that help this population and she will share resources and information. Teri has had a progressive hearing loss since birth and now wears two cochlear implants.

Ms Walthen is the Past Chairperson of the Hard of Hearing Task Force Committee for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, a Past Board Member of the Hear Me Foundation and is the co-founder and Past President of Houston Self Help for Hard of Hearing People (SHHH). Her past accomplishments also include being on the boards of Illuminations, Theater of the Deaf and the Texas Alexander Graham Bell Association.

Ms Walthen received her B.S. in Education from the University of Houston in 1968 and an M. Ed. from Stephen F. Austin University in 1977. She was a teacher in the Ft. Bend ISD from 1968-2000. Since 2001 she has been the Hard of Hearing Specialist/STAP Coordinator-Communication Access Ability Group which is funded through a grant with DARS-Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services.

1 in 3 people over the age of 65 has a hearing loss.

1 in 2 people over the age of 75 has a hearing loss.

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