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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Good morning on this warm Fall day. Hard to believe a couple of weeks ago we were bracing for a record-breaking snow storm and below zero temps. Thank you for voting and being part of the history made this week. Hopefully you all have adjusted to the time change and have all your chores completed for the winter. If you hunt, I hope you have already had success.

With the new COVID 19 restrictions from the Missoula Health Department we are going to be limited to 25 members who can attend our two events. Face mask wearing will have to enforced if we are going to be allowed to continue to meet. Only time no face masks will be allowed will be sitting at the table eating or drinking.

The November 13th Social Hour, 18:00 at the Westside Lanes and Fun Center with feature CW02 Sherry Rossiter talking about her "Long Road to Fort Rucker" She was one of the first female Army helicopter pilots and her path to get there is a unique one! **Please RSVP to Cindy Babon for the Social Hour by Wednesday November 11th. It will be first come first served for being allowed into the Social Hour through the RSVP method. Unfortunately, those not on the list will have to be turned away at the door.**

The November 20th Luncheon, 11:30 at the DoubleTree, will feature LtCol (USAF Ret) Tom Culbert talking about the book he authored "Pan Africa – Across the Sahara in 1941 with Pan Am". His presentation should shed light on that time and area and the events that surrounded Africa that gets very little coverage in the history books. LtCol Culbert will have books available for

NOVEMBER 2020

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH

SOCIAL HOUR 6 -8 P.M.

WESTSIDE BOWLING ALLEY

\$10.00 **RSVP BY WEDNESDAY, 11/12**

***CW02 SHERRY ROSSITER
USA***

***"LONG ROAD TO
FORT RUCKER"***

***Due to Restrictions, we will have to
REQUIRE RSVP FOR BOTH EVENTS to
stay under the mandated 25 attendees!***



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH

LUNCHEON DOUBLETREE

11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

\$18.00

BUFFET LUNCH SERVED

***Lt Col TOM CULBERT
USAF/Ret***

***"ACROSS THE SAHARA IN
1941 WITH PAN AM "***

(President's comments continued)



for purchase. Make sure you RSVP Cindy Babon, babcinjac@msn.com or call her at (406) 549-9835 and leave a message if we do not pick up right away. Deadline for the luncheon is Monday, November 16th. NOTE: the first 25 to RSVP will be allowed in due to the latest Missoula County Health restrictions. Unfortunately, any number past that will have to be turned away at the door.

November 11th is Veteran's Day. Thank you all for serving our country and continue to serve. Without the sacrifices you and your families made over generations, our great nation would not be where it is today.

You have roughly 48 shopping days to Christmas.

Jack Babon, President



The WMMOA Board is sad to announce the death on October 23 of our dear and valued friend

Major John Angwin
US Army (Retired)



John was commissioned through the U of Montana ROTC program, a WMMOA member for more than 30 years, a Past President and Treasurer and a tireless supporter of Veteran causes in the Missoula area. John was President of American Legion Post #27, Board member of the Rocky Mountain Museum of Military History, and the Missoula Job Service's Veterans Support Network to name a few. We will always remember John's sense of humor, quick laugh and dedication to his friends and family. Full obituary will be released later by the family. Here is the information about the services for John.



Monday, November 9th
Viewing at Garden City Chapel
noon-6 p.m. Rosary 6-7

Tuesday, November 10th
Service at St. Francis Catholic
Church at 10:30 a.m.

Full military honors for
interment at the Fort Missoula
cemetery around noon

VALOR HOUSE CHRISTMAS UPDATE

The WMMOA Board has been in contact with the people at Valor House. We are not able to provide a meal like we have in the past but will be sure to see that the Residents receive their gift cards from us. There is still a possibility that we can cater a meal but nothing definite at this time.



The WMMOA Board is happy to support the program
"WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA, DECEMBER 19TH"

Two of our newest members, COL Steven and COL Vanessa Berry have taken on this project and there is additional information on our website. The \$15 Sponsorship for the wreaths needs to be done by 30 November. If you choose to go their website to contribute, be sure to include the MT0023 to assure that your wreath will be placed at our local military cemeteries. The website is www.wreathscrossamerica.org/MT0023.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact COL Vanessa Berry USA Ret at (berry_vanessa@ymailcom or COL Steven Berry USA Ret at (steven.l.berry52@gmail.com) or call (923) 240-1796.

Welcome
New Members

COL Steve Berry and COL Vanessa Berry (both USA/Ret)
LTC Tracy Pohl and husband CSM Jody Nancy (both USA/Ret)
1LT Greg McDonnell, USA/Active