## The Association of the Century, Inc. Minutes of Annual Meeting 26 August 2023 Holiday Inn University Plaza, Bowling Green, KY

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 0900 hours by the AOC President LTC Horace Johnson. CW4 Judd led The Pledge of Allegiance and gave the opening prayer.
- Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the 2022 Meeting were passed out to the membersip.
- 3. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: The finance report was presented by LTC Kapp. He went over several expenses and gave a detailed report of the entries on the report. He discussed the rules and regulations surrounding holding the Bingo activity at the annual meeting and acknowledged appreciation for the help of COL Noble. LTC Kapp reported that the scholarship fund has awarded 112,000.00 to date. COL Cobb made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report, COL Russell seconded, motion carried.
- 4. Membership Report: The membership report was presented by SGM Zimmerman. Total membership number is 889, the decrease from last report was in part due to the database scrub. SGM Zimmerman explained the membership handout. COL Russell reported that the committee looking into increasing membership are reaching out to previous 100<sup>th</sup> Division members.
- 5. <u>Website</u>: SGM Zimmerman talked about registration for the meeting and difficulties with PayPal.
- 6. <u>Corridor of The Century</u>: COL Russell introduced the two new Corridor of the Century Inductees, CSM Joyce Summerford Freville and MSG Linda Bruin. Both were present and acknowledged at the meeting.
- 7. <u>Scholarship Awardees</u>: CW5 Diamond read aloud the information on the ten MG Benjamin Butler Scholarship Program awardees for 2023.
- 8. <u>Special Presentation</u>: MSG Brown made a special presentation to MG Barron and MG Tindall acknowledging the many years and hours of service to the AOC.
- 9. Newsletter: COL Norm Williams requested that members notify him if they are not getting the newsletter. He asked for photographs and articles from members. Email verses printed and mailed copies of the newsletter was discussed. The photographs in the email copies are in color, this is a distinct advantage over the printed and mailed copies.

- 10. <u>OLD Business:</u> MAJ Holland reported that the challenge coins are available for \$11.00. New Items in the supply room include personalized flask and decanters along with etched shot glasses.
- 11. <u>Board Members:</u> The eight board members to be renewed in 2023 are MG Tindall, COL Cobb, COL Rowe, LTC Kapp, LTC Moss, MAJ Holland CSM Belcher, MSG Gerding. Motion was made by CSM Belcher and Seconded by COL Starr to renew these board members. Motion carried.
- Annual Meeting 2024: Selection of the location for the 2024 Annual Meeting will be made at the November 2023 meeting. Returning to Bowling Green or moving the meeting to Owensboro was discussed.
- 13. <u>Adjournment</u>: Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by COL Williams and seconded by LTC Davidson. The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 hours.

Janie Diamond, CW5 (Ret) Assistant Secretary