



# FROM THE DESK OF THE CHIEF



This is important information for the members and friends of the Arizona Silver Chapter, USAWOA that can't wait for the next edition of the Arizona Dispatch Rider. Please pass it on to those who you know need this information.

THIS EMAIL ADDRESS IS ONLY USED TO TRANSMIT NEW EMAILS AND IT IS NOT MONITORED REGULARLY FOR INCOMING TRAFFIC. IF YOU NEED TO EMAIL US, PLEASE SEND IT TO [JoeGill1@cox.net](mailto:JoeGill1@cox.net) AS THIS IS THE ONLY ONE IS CHECKED MANY TIMES DURING THE DAY AND YOU WILL RECEIVE A MUCH MORE TIMELY RESPONSE.

Monday, January 18, 2010

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Our 38<sup>th</sup> Year of Service

MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2010

LUNCH TUESDAY 1-19

Because our homes are probably the most expensive investment we have, there are still a few seats left at tomorrow's Professional Luncheon to hear Nancy Rae of Re/Max let us know about the local market with her 27+ years of experience. To ensure one of the remaining seats is yours, call Don Newcomer at 456-1018 NOW.

## USAWOA NATIONAL PRESIDENT APPOINTED CCWO OF THE ARNG



On Monday, January 11, 2009 CW5 Gary Nisker assumed the office of Command Chief Warrant Officer of the Army National Guard with duty in the Office of the Director Army National Guard at the National Guard Bureau. Gary, having already served as our National Vice President for 2-terms of 2-years [Term Limits] is in the second year of his first 2-year term as President.

## JANUARY 2010 THIRD WEEK WO CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	PD LUNCHEON ELKS LODGE 1130-1230		NETCOM CEREMONY Foyer of Greely Hall 1300		

On Tuesday, Nancy Rae of Re/Max will brief us on the local home market and whether this is a good or a bad time to buy our most expensive investment. Call Don Newcomer NOW if you want to go at 456-1018.

On Thursday, MG Susan Lawrence will honor Bill Hess and Gene Fenstermacher [both have spoken at least once to us] who are recent inductees to the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame for what they have accomplished, as a volunteer, *since* they retired from the USAF. This invitation is in keeping with a new Fort practice of inviting the member organizations of the Greater Sierra Vista United Veterans' Council.

## TAX STATEMENTS COMING SOON ON MYPAY

Annual tax statements soon will be distributed to Service members, military retirees, annuitants and federal civilian employees who are paid by the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS). The statements will be available electronically up to two weeks earlier to DFAS customers with myPay accounts. For a complete schedule go to [www.dfas.mil](http://www.dfas.mil). To read the full article go to [www.armytimes.com/news/2009/12/military\\_taxforms\\_121009](http://www.armytimes.com/news/2009/12/military_taxforms_121009).

*Bring a Friend to Lunch.  
You won't regret it.*



**WARNING**

(U//FOUO) Malicious Actors are currently using malicious emails with subjects related to 2010 Federal Tax Law information. These emails contain attachments with IRS.gov logos and dialog very similar to the legitimate [IRS.gov website](http://IRS.gov).

(U//FOUO) The official-looking logo and links to Web pages carefully designed to fool unsuspecting users. Messages with these characteristics are meant to trick recipients into revealing personal information and, even worse, executing the malware contained in the attachments can infect the user's machine.

(U//FOUO) The damage and remediation these phishing scams cause is increasing significantly each year. The primary reason is that many taxpayers get lured by the offers or so-called benefits provided by these schemes.

(U//FOUO) According to the IRS, the agency will never send unsolicited emails to individual taxpayers; much less solicit their personal information via the web.

**Classification: UNCLASSIFIED**

**Caveats: FOUO**

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### BAH INCREASE FOR 2010 AVERAGES 2.5 PERCENT

Housing allowances will rise an average of just 2.5 percent in 2010 — nearly 4½ percent less than 2009's average increase and a reflection of a rental market that continues to be depressed nationwide. For the full story see:

[http://www.armytimes.com/news/2009/12/military\\_2010\\_bah\\_rates\\_121609w/](http://www.armytimes.com/news/2009/12/military_2010_bah_rates_121609w/).

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### HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF EFFORT- WHERE TO HELP

We join with other Americans in their concern about the situation in Haiti. They will need help there for a long time, and our thoughts and prayers are with those affected by the earthquake. To assist MOAA members who wish to help, we are including a website linked to the U.S. Agency for International Development that lists agencies that are accepting cash donations in response to this emergency. Cash is the best way to help. The URL for donations is [www.interaction.org/crisis-list/earthquake-haiti](http://www.interaction.org/crisis-list/earthquake-haiti). We do not recommend individual charities because we do not know their operations. Please note that the FBI warns donors to beware of scammers and fraudsters. Donors should respond only to email solicitations from organizations they have dealt with in the past, and donate on their secure websites. If you want to check on a charity, use [www.give.org](http://www.give.org) or [www.charitynavigator.com](http://www.charitynavigator.com). Charity Navigator has ratings on its home page of some Haiti donation sites.

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### FDIC ALERT

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation recently issued a security alert captioned "Garrison Bank Limited May Be Conducting Banking Operations in Canada or the United States without Authorization." That alert stated that "[t]he Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions of Canada has identified Garrison Bank Limited as an entity that may be illegally operating as a financial institution," noting that Garrison Bank Limited has not registered with that office as required by law, and has not received authorization from the Government of Canada to engage in banking business.

