

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER
VIETNAM HELICOPTER PILOTS ASSOCIATION
18 June 2025**

Call to Order: Bill Bates, Vice President, called the meeting to order at 1002 Hrs.
Bill Bates noted that that those present represented a quorum for voting purposes.

Those Present:

Bill Bates	Bob Harris	Doug Neil
Carlo Cavalluzzi	Phil Lanphier	Terry Olson
Wick Clark	Cliff Lawson	Chris Towne
Bruce Girvan	George Mayl	Bob White

Zoom Attendees: Charles Bogle, John Hargleroad, Al Harinck, Jim McNamee

Bill led the chapter members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The American Legion Chef Mike took orders for lunch..

Meeting Minutes: The May 2025 Meeting Minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report for June 2025 was accepted.

Old Business

• **Clothing update:**

- Carlo Cavalluzzi said many clothing size medium are available.
- Carlo will **not** be placing new orders until requests for items reach a minimum level. Carlo has started a list of various orders that will be submitted once the minimum threshold for those items have been met.
- Plenty of challenge coins and patches are available.
- George Mayl bought 10 challenge coins.

• **Mahogany Models**

- Terry Olson said no change from last month.

• **Honor Flight**

- No changes from last month.

- High Plains (Northern Colorado) - 4/27/25
 - Due to limited space High Plains does not encourage group welcoming for the flight participants.
 - Rocky Mountain (Denver Airport) -12/25
 - H.F. of Colorado Springs - 9/TBA
 - Applications need to be sent if interested in attending an Honor Flight.
 - Additional information can be obtained on the WEB (coloradohonorflight.com)
 - You can sign up for Honor Flights that are available in any State.
- **DFC**
 - No update from Charles Bogle.
- **Vietnam War Museum**
 - Charles Bogle said the museum staff is doubling the floor space by 40,000 square feet. They are continuing to work on exhibits.

NEW BUSINESS

Event Schedule:

- 8/2 - Collector Car Show, Metro Airport.
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- The last day of the Memorial Day weekend at Veterans Plaza was heavily attend with an outside line waiting to view the HWM that had to be metered. The tractor driver, Carson, was very helpful in preparing the HWM to be transported back to Golden, CO.
 - No HWM activities scheduled for July 4.
 - **Election** of chapter officers: Carlo Cavalluzzi motioned that the election of chapter officers be tabled until the July meeting. Second by Wick Clark, unanimous approval.
 - Bill said the next HWM activity is the Collector Car Show in Broomfield on August 2. Terry Olson will be preparing a docent volunteer list.
 - Terry Olson had no update for WOR. He has been working with Davis-Monthan AFB in an attempt to acquire a UH1 D or H model for WOR.
 - Bill Bates is traveling to Ft. Garland to attend an Indian Pow-Wow. There is an interest with the Broomfield museum in adding a Native American display.
 - At least three chapter members will be attending the VHPA reunion.
 - Several members saw the Army birthday parade in Washington DC.
 - George Mayl said members can get a **lifetime** membership at the Army Aviation Museum by logging on.

- George Mayl said if members need a helper for a medical procedure, there is a form that can be submitted to the VA to reimburse the helper. The form(s) can be found on the VA.gov WEB site.
- Cliff Lawson displayed a picture of his CAV Troop members (with CAV hats) on their AH-1G cobra that he took. It was published in a CAV book but photographer credit was given to one of his CAV unit members who he had distributed photo to. His CAV unit was C 3/17th.

- **Potential Future Speakers**

- Heather Campbell - Congressional Liaison
 - Marlyn Hesser - Vietnam Nurse
 - Lindsay Hammond - Vietnam Nurse
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Next Meeting:

- The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, July 16, 1000 at 1000 HRS

Adjournment:

- Bill Bates adjourned the meeting at 1030 HRS.

Submitted by Doug Neil

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