

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHAPTER
VIETNAM HELICOPTER PILOTS ASSOCIATION
15 October 2025**

Call to Order: Dale House, President, called the meeting to order at 1003 Hrs.
Dale House noted that those present represented a quorum for voting purposes.

Those Present:

Bill Bates	Bruce Girvan	Cliff Lawson	Terry Olson	Chuck Wiley
Carlo Cavalluzzi	Al Harinck	Greg Mann	Rick Overstake	Bob White
Guy Champlin	Bob Harris	Jim McGrevey	Mike Silva	
Wick Clark	Dale House	Doug Neil	Chris Towne	

Special Guest: Murphy the dog

Zoom Attendees: Don Kent, Jim McNamee

Dale led the chapter members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The American Legion Chef Mike took orders for lunch..

Meeting Minutes: The September 2025 Meeting Minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Jim McNamee, Treasurer, reviewed the Treasurer's report for September and October which were accepted.

Members did self introductions for the two new members, Guy Champlin and Chuck Wiley.

Old Business

• **Clothing update:**

- Carlo Cavalluzzi said many clothing size medium are available.
- Chapter member family members can wear chapter logo items.
- Plenty of challenge coins and patches are available.
- Sweat shirts, T shirts, vests, long sleeve hoodies are available L and XL sizes.

• **Mahogany Models**

- Terry Olson said a Huey, OH-6, Motorcycle, and B52 models are the only ones available for display.

- **Golden Fall Fest Update**

- Dale said the HWM at the Golden Fall Fest was successful with over 400 guests going through the HWM during the day. The after action report is posted on the Chapter WEB site (www.rmcyhpa.com).
 - Greg noted that the American Indian gathering during the fall fest activities commented that many native Americans announced that many members had fought in Vietnam as well as WWI, WWII and Korea. Some were code talkers.
- The Golden, CO museum is soliciting ideas for an exhibit to honor Vietnam veterans who reside in the Golden, CO area. A meeting is scheduled on 11/18 to discuss the potential display. Dale indicated that the HWM has several items that could be considered for the display.

- **Rocky Mountain VHPA chat group**

- Carlo requested that chapter members refrain from using the old chat group email to try to eliminate it from the WEB. It will take one year of no usage to be eliminated.
- A subsequent discussion concerning how many members should be listed in the chat group ensued. It was noted that there are approximately 732 potential VHPA members residing in Colorado. It was decided that the current chat group members list will remain as is but subject to further discussion at a later date.
- Sending a postcard to potential members was discussed. Greg Mann will evaluate the feasibility of a mailing to potential members.

- **Honor Flight**

- Carlo said the Rocky Mountain HF had a telethon that was aired on channel 9 and raised money for future flights..
 - High Plains (Northern Colorado) - 10/25/25
 - New flight is scheduled for 4/19/2026. There is a long waiting list.
 - Rocky Mountain (Denver Airport) -12/25
 - The telethon raised enough money for two honor flights for 2026.
 - H.F. of Colorado Springs (Southern Colorado) - Done for this year.
 - 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.
 - Members can accompany honor flight members as guardians but they have pay their own way (app. \$6-800).

- **DFC**

- Don Kent attended the DFC reunion in Charleston, SC. He said it was an excellent event with dinner and a cruise.
 - Due to medical issues with the editor, there will be no winter edition of the DFC magazine. There are URL links to the magazine.

- Dale said the book ***19 Minutes to Live*** is a good read.
- Don also attended the VHPA dedication at Ft. Rucker. He said it was well attended with over 200 attendees with an awesome multiple UH-1s fly over.

- **Vietnam War Museum**

- No update.

NEW BUSINESS

Event Schedule:

- No events scheduled for the remaining of 2025.
- Cliff Larson distributed copies of Veterans Life Magazine that have pictures he took of Vietnam veterans. He thanked everyone for their support.
- Terry Olson said Dave Dickerson is the new CEO of WOR. Past. communications problems with WOR will be resolved per the new WOR president, Charlie Johnson.
- WOR is interested in the HWM contents for display at WOR.
- WOR will work with us to find dates for future HWM activities.
 - Jim McGrevey said WOR president is currently in the process of “getting rid of stuff” but is interested in obtaining a UH1 D or H model for display in the future.
 - The WOR CEO and/or President would be interested in talking to the chapter members at a later date.
- Denver is the location for the VHPA reunion in 2027. Volunteers will be needed!
- Replacing the HWM vinyl panel that is showing deterioration would be \$2,500.
- The Christmas party at Greg Mann’s is scheduled for 12/06/2025.

Next Meeting:

- The next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, November 19 1000 HRS.

Adjournment:

- Dale House adjourned the meeting at 11:20 HRS.

Submitted by Doug Neil

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