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## President's Message

Will D. Philipson, CAPT USN (Ret)



### Members: Our National Security Pledge

One of the most important aspects of our democracy is the loyal and patriotic commitment of civilians to training and

possible call up for military duty in times of emergencies. Our citizens pledge themselves to unselfishly contribute to the soundness of our democratic system and help provide security for our freedom which is shared by all. This commitment does cause some stress on the businesses and industries of our community when they are called upon to serve. In the current fight for freedom from terrorism many of our Reserve and National Guard colleagues are being asked to serve extended periods at the source of the conflict. It must be part of our interests in being civilian military volunteers to help our military teams weather this task by providing special assistance to family, fellow workers, neighbors and friends in taking on these responsibilities.

ROA's Vision. The premier professional organization for Reserve Officers (Reserve and National Guard) is committed to supporting a strong military and National Defense while providing outstanding service for its members. The Association will continue to be the most effective advocate for all reserve officers as vital resources for components of the military supporting National Security. This will be accomplished by maximizing the value to its

members through support and services essential to their professional development. It will also vigorously try to educate Congress and the Nation on the value of the reserve components and matters providing for our citizen organized military components. We must receive training and benefits consideration which continue to attract and support such service.

Over-Arching Goals. The following long term goals have been proposed or have been developed by the Department's leadership in fighting for support and policies utilizing citizens in the capacity of a reserve as applied since the days of the Revolutionary War and led by George Washington. As a Congressionally chartered professional organization committed to maintaining a citizen relationship in support of National Security we advocate the following goals:

Educate State Legislatures, Congress and the Nation about National Defense and the role of the Reserve.

Provide the opportunities for professional education and career guidance for reserve officers.

Support the Association's members through publications, programs and services.

Achieve a dynamic organizational environment for proactive and expanding membership.

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# News and Notes...

Dennis T. Davis, 1stLt USAFR



*Thank you to those that are grateful we serve...*

In December, members of the 934th Airlift Wing in Minneapolis were given the opportunity to do

something that most would not have been able to do otherwise. Contact was made through the Family Readiness office that someone had donated a very special treat for members and their families for the holiday season. Members that were interested in receiving the gift were treated to a complimentary room at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Minneapolis, free pizza, drinks and an in-room movie for the night. Sunday morning everyone enjoyed a fabulous brunch with Santa himself with all the children getting to sit on Santa's lap and being given their very own stocking to take home with them. Later that afternoon the families were invited to attend a performance of the Nutcracker on the University of Minnesota campus. All of this was free for members and their families; the only thing we paid for was parking. Having been given the opportunity to go was something that I will never forget. I have three little girls (6, 3 and 1) and this is not something that would have been in our budget this year. This seemed to be the case with all those that I saw attend and the families seemed thrilled to be there.

I tell this story to bring to light the good deeds of some very generous people. Most people I have ever talked to don't serve for rewards like this. We appreciate them when they come but it is not a driving factor as to why we serve. Often times those that give the gift likewise don't do it for the recognition. I would like to use this forum to change that, or at least modify it. The Crowne Plaza has earned our recognition and if we have the opportunity for business or pleasure to use their facilities I would encourage us to do so. Likewise, many of us know of businesses that are military friendly and the more we can share about them and support them, the more supportive they will be of our service and our families

needs while we are away. Home Depot is another one that comes to mind. They are out at the 934th Airlift Wing family day each year showing support for our service. Furthermore, no matter what your status, show your military ID when you shop there and they will give you 10% your purchase.

*If anyone has any stories they would like to share or people/businesses they would like to recognize for their support of the military, please speak up!!! I am sure I am not the only one that would like to thank them by patronizing their business. Contact me at [dennyd74@comcast.net](mailto:dennyd74@comcast.net) and I will get it in the next issue.*

## Department of Minnesota ROA and MOAA Joint Meeting

We have cooperatively worked with the Minnesota Chapter of the Military Officers' Association of America (MOAA) to hold a legislative rally on March 11, 2007. It will be held at the Officers Club in the evening and will include a very nice meal all for about \$25. This will provide the opportunity for all members to hear of the Minnesota plan for Reserve and National Guard benefits for active and retired personnel. Join us that evening and voice your concerns.

## Twin Cities Navy Meeting

**The Annual Elections Meeting of the Twin Cities Navy Chapter will be held on Friday, 7 March 2008 at the 934th Airlift Wing (Ft. Snelling) Officers Club beginning at 1830 hours. All Naval Services members are invited. Please RSVP to help our planning. Contact President Kay Bauer at [hellobauers@msn.com](mailto:hellobauers@msn.com) or phone 952-949-9604.**

*The Annual Elections Meeting of Twin Cities Navy Chapter will be on 7 March 2008 at the Officers Club beginning at 1830 hours.*

## Visit Our Web Site

The Department of Minnesota funds and maintains a web site at [www.mnroa.org](http://www.mnroa.org). This web site contains more detail on the activities of the Department of Minnesota as well as the Major Dan Anderson Freedom Fund.

There are notices of upcoming events and in some cases those notices precede that same information found in the newsletter by several weeks. There are more details of events, more photographs, and post-event recaps. Items too lengthy for the newsletter are there such as how to change your membership records. Application forms exist for any Freedom Fund scholarship offerings and those can be downloaded and printed locally when offered.

Chapter web pages and other sites are linked there. And, copies of past newsletters are available for downloading or viewing on your computer. A list of currently serving Department officers is also on the site.

So visit our web site and stay in touch. The newsletter and web site are intended to be complimentary to each other.

## President's Message

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Ensure financial stability for future officers joining the ranks of the reserve.

This is an organization owned by its members and organized to support the Reserve and National Guard programs in particular. We solicit from you, our members, your support and assistance in reaching out to all officers in the Reserve and National Guard as well as the cadets training in the ROTC Programs for guidance and assistance. Join us and make the citizens' military commitment honorable and rewarding.

For many an opportunity to join the organization, become active in providing guidance and support for funding programs and leading the nation to maintain and build strong Reserve and National Guard programs is interesting and challenging. Develop your leadership capabilities by working with members in planning and developing an effective and able force. Let's thrive in helping make our democracy free and strong.

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# 2007 ROTC Recognition Night

8 November 2007

*Sponsored by the Department of Minnesota Reserve Officers Association*



*LTC Joe Repya, USA (Ret) speaks to the crowd.*

Held at the 934th Airlift Wing (Ft. Snelling) Officers Club, Post Road & Hwy 5, St. Paul

The Department's annual ROTC Recognition Night is dedicated to the ROTC units and their members within the state of Minnesota.

The Master of Ceremonies was Col Marilyn Chambers, USAFR, who also planned the event.

The program this year consisted of three features: Introduction of ROTC Units present and a report from those units on their activities; a speaker LTC Joe Repya, U.S. Army (Retired); and the announcement of the 2007 Merit Award recipients

Each ROTC detachment gave a report on the status of activities and cadets at their campus. These cadets continue to exemplify commitment to both their academic pursuits and their ROTC development. Detachments present were University of Minnesota Minneapolis, Air Force and UM Duluth, Air Force; University of St Thomas, Air Force; Minnesota State University, Army; and St. Johns University, Army.

Three detachment commanders were in attendance, Lt Col Sylvia Taylor from U. St. Thomas, LTC Thomas Cooper, Minnesota State Univ., Mankato; and Lt Col Allan Chromy, U of Minnesota, Duluth.

The featured speaker was LTC Joe Repya, USA (Ret). His presentation focused on the five principles of leadership, with an exceptional blend of personal experiences in how he put each of these principles into practice. His down to earth style and acknowledgement of today's service environment being a challenging one made this program directly applicable to cadets right now. In addition, he stressed the importance of being a student of military history and he left a suggested reading list for the audience. All military members present recognized many of the books.

This is the third year that Merit Awards have been provided by the Major Dan Anderson Freedom Fund. The program was open to cadets and midshipmen who were ROTC students in the seven programs in the State of Minnesota.

The Merit Awards submission period began in the fall of the academic year when applications were solicited and later received. This period was followed by selection of the recipients by the Board of Directors of the Freedom Fund.

The selection of the recipients followed the submission of application packages from outstanding applicants from Minnesota ROTC units. For 2007 there were four merit awards presented for \$500.00 each.

2ndLt Andrew Williams, USAFR, Secretary of the Major Dan Anderson Freedom Fund,

2007-08, announced the 2007 Merit Award recipients:

- Cadet David Burt, Air Force ROTC, St. Thomas University
- Cadet Issac M. Landecker, Air Force ROTC, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Campus
- Cadet Britt Nemeth, Air Force ROTC, University of Minnesota, Duluth
- Cadet Ross Puffer, Army ROTC, Minnesota State University, Mankato

This is the third consecutive year for Merit Awards. In prior years of 2005 and 2006 a total of seven \$500.00 Merit Awards. The total given to date including 2007 is \$5,500.00.

The Freedom Fund is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization. The Fund has existed since 2002 and serves the needs of ROA junior officer members as well. For example, scholarships for the ROA-sponsored RC JOPDS and RC JOLDTS training have been awarded to Minnesota ROA members in recent years. See the Freedom Fund button on web site at [www.mnroa.org](http://www.mnroa.org).

Congratulations to the 2007 Merit Award Recipients!

Thanks to all who participated in and attended this event.



*2007 ROTC Recognition Night attendees listen to LTC Joe Repya, USA (Ret).*

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# 2008 ROA Mid-Winter Conference & Exposition Washington, D.C.

CAPT Larry DeVries, CEC USNR (Ret.)

The annual ROA Mid-Winter Conference & Exposition will be held at the Washington Hilton Hotel, Washington, D.C., on 10-13 February 2008.

The Military Exposition is an important part of the event and starts Sunday, 10 February. Suppliers of military products, services and training are there to display their offerings.

This begins in the afternoon at 1700 hours with a complimentary buffet upon the opening of the exposition. There are several Officer Professional Development Seminars scheduled including the Reserve Components Joint Officer Professional Development Seminar (JOPDS). See the ROA web site for details.

The heart of the Conference is held on Monday and Tuesday, 11-12 February with full day sessions when the agenda holds

various service presentations, panels, and forums. This is the chance to hear in person from our service's three-star officers and from other service leaders. Each service holds its own luncheon where annual awards are presented to individuals who have demonstrated high abilities throughout the year. The ROAL is active throughout the event. Departments have the opportunity to conduct Congressional Briefings on Wednesday, 13 February on Capitol Hill.

This is an important time where members can go to Capitol Hill to make our ROA voices heard. Our emphasis will be on education regarding the reserve forces present in Minnesota.

The offices of our ten congressional officials (our two Senators and our eight U.S. representatives) are typically available on that day.

All Minnesota ROA members are encouraged to travel to the Hill to voice support for ROA and meet with your Congressional officials and discuss military matters.

The banquet is held on Wednesday evening when it is time to hear military and civilian leaders and celebrate. The "ROA Minuteman of the Year" award is presented at this all-service/all member banquet. The return trip home for most of the attendees will be Thursday morning.

The details of the event are on the ROA web site at [www.roa.org](http://www.roa.org). Or, read all about it in your copy of *The Officer* magazine.

The ROA Mid-Winter Conference for 2008 is shaping up to be a good one. We hope to see you there!

## What Are We Losing?

Robert A. Silvagni, LTC USAR (Ret)

Minnesota citizens who serve and retire from the military have a strong economic incentive to live in another state and not remain Minnesota residents after retiring from the military. Minnesota is not a military friendly state like Wisconsin and it should be the goal of all veterans to change this situation. We can help change state legislation by mobilizing the approximately 240,000 Minnesota veterans and their families to assist in supporting legislation that rewards military service and supports military families. Our goal is to create a military friendly state environment so that young people would be rewarded through service in the active military, military reserves and the Minnesota National Guard. State benefits for people who serve and retire from the military pale in comparison to about 40 other states.

Governor Pawlenty has proposed 35 legislative actions to expand and establish new programs to assist active military personnel, Reserve and National Guard personnel, military families and retired military personnel. The most important proposal is to exempt military pay and pensions from state income tax. Arguments for this exclusion include:

Active duty men and women often change state residency to avoid Minnesota income tax.

Retiring military personnel from Minnesota often do not return to Minnesota to avoid the Minnesota income tax on their pensions.

Minnesota industry needs the leadership and technical skills possessed by retired military personnel.

By deleting income tax for retired military personnel, economists predict that Minnesota will gain greater revenue from the earning power and spending of these retirees.

## ACTION

What needs to happen is for all of us to contact our State Legislators to support a bill to exempt military pay and pensions from taxation. We need to get our buddies, our organizations to write legislators and determine their position on the matter. Furthermore, we need to explain the issues to our friends and solicit their support. Get out the phones, get out the pens and begin the process, we will ALL benefit from it!

### \$\$ DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA "BUCK A YEAR"

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# Flying Vikings Update

Brian Petersen, Lt Col USAFR

The Flying Vikings ROA Chapter is alive and well. The next general membership meeting will be at the 934th Airlift Wing building 862 on Saturday, Feb 2, 2007. Meeting will start at 1100 with a wing Officers Call and then at 1130 the ROA meeting/lunch. A key chapter goal is to be an organization recognized as a good 'Community Citizen.' Community actions are great for the community and also assist in getting the ROA word out to a broader support network of public organizations. One such action the chapter has achieved was to donate \$2,800 of raised funds to the Minneapolis School Safety Patrol Program. These funds allowed 20 Minneapolis Public School students to attend the Legionville Safety Leadership Camp. Many of the program participants are from low-income families who cannot afford this expense. According to Janet K. George, Scholarships and Grants Coordinator, Minneapolis Public Schools' Foundation, "Participants (4-6th graders) attended a week-long school safety leadership camp conducted in Brainerd, Minnesota this summer. The MPS School Safety Patrol program trains elementary and middle grade students in safety procedures around school property



*Capt. June Maloney (Flying Vikings Treasurer) and Lt Col Brian Petersen (Flying Vikings President) present a \$2,800 check to Agent A. Berryman of the Minneapolis Park Police for their School Safety Patrol Program. The funds, raised by the Reserve Officers Association – Flying Vikings Chapter, allowed 20 Minneapolis Public School students to attend the Legionville Safety Leadership Camp who would not otherwise have the opportunity to do so.*

– including strong anti-drug messages – to prepare these students to serve as school crossing guards. Participants in the School Safety Patrol program develop leadership skills, a sense of responsibility for other students and experience opportunities for mentoring and civic engagement. Schools have documented improved attendance and reduced suspension rates of School

Safety Patrol program participants who are mentored to incorporate the values of discipline, integrity, honor and commitment to duty in their daily lives. This experience reinforces the anti-drug education that is part of their training and service work to their schools."

## History of the Navy Nurse Corps

The Navy Nurse Corps will celebrate 100 years in May 2008. Navy Nurses have cared for wounded since World War I. In 1913 Navy Nurses served aboard two ships for the first time. Four World War I Navy Nurses received Navy Crosses.

The first Navy Cross ever awarded to a woman was awarded to Lenah H. Higbee who was the Second Superintendent of the Navy Nurse Corps from 1911-1922. The USS Higbee (DD-806) was the first U. S. Navy combat ship named after a woman in the Navy.

During World War II two groups of Navy Nurses were taken as prisoners of war while caring for wounded; one group in Guam and the other in the Philippines. Some Navy Nurses served in large groups and others

were the only Navy Nurse in the group. The best way to understand the hardships and heroics of these brave Nurses is to read their oral histories on-line. Google "oral histories of WWII: Navy Nurses" and WWII Nurses. (May is also National Nurses month – there are many sites with heroic histories of Army and Air Force Nurses also)

Navy Nurses continued to serve the wounded and the country through many wars. During the Korean War, a dispensary staffed by 6 Navy Nurses quickly expanded to a staff of 200 with the aid of recalled World War II Reserve Nurses. Mobile Hospitals (Hospital Ships) provided innovative care. Bronze Stars were awarded to two Navy Nurses for their work on these ships. 11 Navy Nurses died when their plane went down enroute to

hospitals in Japan. An increasing number of men became Navy Nurses during the Vietnam Era, enhancing the abilities of the Nurse Corps. Many Navy Nurses served in Vietnam, some receiving Purple Hearts while doing so. In 1972 the first female promoted to Flag Rank was Alene B. Duerk, Rear Admiral, Navy Nurse Corps.

Currently, Navy Nurses are at work worldwide; maintaining the Navy Hospitals state-side and overseas. The OSHU (medical group) from the Navy and Marine Corps Operational Support Unit, Mpls, was deployed to Germany to care for wounded in conjunction with Army and Air Force personnel. Humanitarian missions are also supported by Navy Nurses.

*Happy 100th Birthday to the Navy Nurse Corps!*

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## Updates from deployed ROA members...

Robert P. Chaucierre, LTC USA

Since I arrived in Heidelberg, Germany in July 2007, I'm obliged to provide ROA a few photos from the annual Joint EUCCOM Deployment & Distribution Conference (JEDDC) I attended a few weeks ago (13-16 Nov 07) in Sonthofen, Germany. The US Europe Command (USEUCOM), based in Stuttgart, hosted the event; theme being "Improving the Process" with over 300 experts travelling from CONUS and OCONUS and representing the US Transportation Command (USTRANS-COM), Surface Deployment & Distribution Command (SDDC), Army Materiel Command (AMC), Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), US Army Europe (USAREUR), US Air Force Europe (USAFE), US Navy Europe (NAVEUR), and US Africa Command (AFRICOM). To learn more, please go to [www.deploymentanddistributioneurope.com](http://www.deploymentanddistributioneurope.com)

Sonthofen is one of Germany's southernmost cities near the Austrian border. It's in the Bavarian (or Allgauer) Alps. As you can see in the first photo (the day we left), this area received 3+ feet of snow. It was the first serious snowfall, and the ski resorts closed just to spread out the snow for their businesses.

At this conference, we were busy networking and shaping future policies of transportation distribution management in the European theater, plus developing working groups to help start the logistics strategy for the new AFRICOM. While attending this event, I was actively engaged with driving some tangible improvements for USAREUR in transportation funding programs; management of shipping containers or other distribution platforms; and customs clearance processing of imported goods for military communities in Europe and foreign military sales for onward movement to other countries.

Another scheduled – but separate – working group, I led recently, concerned the German rail infrastructure. Here's a little background and upshot of my work as follows:

After the reunification of Germany in 1994, the Deutsche Bundesbahn and Deutsche Reichsbahn merged into one entity, Deutsche Bahn Aktiengesellschaft (DB AG). In 1999, it divided into three main operating groups: DB Netz – responsible for rail infrastructure, Railion Cargo – responsible for

rail services, and DB Travel & Tourism – responsible for long distance passenger service. DB AG is a public corporation, but currently all shares are owned by the German government.

Following DB Netz assuming responsibility for the rail infrastructure, it either terminated unprofitable rail sections or sold the infrastructure to private sidings. If the US Forces needed the rail infrastructure to support its military requirements, DB Netz and the private companies agreed to retain these rail sections-provided the users reimbursed them for maintenance and repair costs, which complies with NATO SOFA and the Supplementary Agreement to the SOFA. As a result, these private sidings continue to accommodate the U.S. and German Forces in these rural outreaching areas.

Coincidentally while this was happening in Germany, our US Army abroad was transforming; hence the development and chartering of the Installation Command Agency (IMA) sometime around 2002, but it transformed to the Installation Command (IMCOM) in 2006. Anyway, this separated the various garrison functions and services from the collocated mission commands. Here, in Europe, this event projected the two major Army Commands, USAREUR and IMCOM-E; however, USAREUR is the lead Army Service Component Command (ASCC) in Europe. The immediate problem that stemmed from this new structure is who programs the funding for various projects and services?

In the case of rail infrastructure, the problem was to resolve which major command pays the private sidings for the operating costs of the pertinent rail spurs outside of the US installation's fence and leading to the switch on the mainline. The Army's overarching philosophy is that if the US has no rail access to the rail mainlines from the US installations in rural German areas, then the US needs no bases there.

Well, if you keep up in the latest military news, USAREUR plans to keep four combat brigades-not two-in Germany. More specifically, USAREUR wants to keep the Schweinfurt, Germany-based 2nd Brigade, 1st Infantry Division; the Baumholder, Germany-based 2nd Brigade, 1st Armored Division; the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat

Team in Italy; and the 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment from Vilseck, Germany.

The outcome of collective efforts in the rail infrastructure working group reflected that IMCOM-E obtains real property interests or easements in the rail infrastructure, and IMCOM-E pays the operating fees with USAREUR reimbursing IMCOM-E for the usage of those rail spurs. The rationale of IMCOM-E paying is IMCOM-E is the only command of the two that can program funding for infrastructure costs. When IMCOM-E secures these property interests or easements, the next step would be to transition the rail agreements specialists from EUCCOM's Intra-theater Commercial Transportation Branch (ICTB) to IMCOM-E.

In the upcoming weeks, I'll be taking on more challenges and developing others that I still need to finish. One is participating in a working group to develop the AFRICOM theater distribution network. Perhaps I can offer photos and a report for a another future posting or newsletter.

Best regards,  
ROBERT P. CHAUCIERRE  
LTC, US Army

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## 2008 ROTC & Junior ROTC Award Presentations are Being Planned

Volunteer members of ROA Minnesota are being sought to present ROA awards at the ROTC and Junior ROTC ceremonies again this coming spring.

Annual awards ceremonies at each institution recognize the most deserving of the ROTC cadets and midshipmen of the services. ROTC members present an impressive sight. JROTC units also recognize high school cadets at school ceremonies. Members from ROA Minnesota present the ROA medals at a high school ceremony.

We encourage early volunteers so planning can begin. It is inspiring to see the quality of young JROTC students. The first presentations are in April 2008. Please contact COL Marilyn Chambers at [aromed@att.net](mailto:aromed@att.net) for more information and to volunteer.

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# Freedom Fund *Minnesota Campaign 2008*

The Board of Directors of the Major Dan Anderson Freedom Fund is continuing the fundraising campaign started with Minnesota Campaign 2006. The Board made the original announcement after a series of successful disbursements from the Fund. The proceeds from the fund have helped ROTC students through the Fund's Merit Award program. In November 2007 the Freedom Fund awarded \$500 each to four ROTC members for a total of \$2000.00. The total amount awarded under the ROTC Merit Award Program after three years is \$5,500. The proceeds have also funded scholarships for Minnesota ROA member officers to attend Reserve Component Professional Development as well as Reserve Component Leadership Development training. To date the Fund has awarded three scholarships to junior reserve officers who are currently serving.

"Our ROTC Merit Awards contribute to supporting our future officers. And, without the scholarship help from the Freedom Fund our own serving ROA member officers would not have attended the Reserve Component training. We want to continue that valuable support to Minnesota Reserve officers," said President Larry G. DeVries, CAPT CEC USNR (Ret.).

The target for Minnesota Campaign 2008 is to reach the original campaign goal to raise an average of \$25.00 for all Minnesota ROA members. This target represents an aggressive approach to replenish Fund expenditures to date of \$10,000 in the programs mentioned. Member support allows the Fund to continue the Freedom Fund's programs.

Details of the activities of the Fund are also available on the Department web site at [www.mnroa.org](http://www.mnroa.org). Look under the

Freedom Fund button on the left column.

**May we count on your contribution?**

## Thank You

A donation of \$1000 from the Air Force Association (Gen. Rollins) chapter was made to the Freedom Fund on 10 November 2007. This was the result of Col. Marilyn Chambers, a member of both ROA Minnesota and the Air Force Association, making a personal presentation as to the purpose of the Freedom Fund at an AFA meeting. We thank Col. Chambers for taking the initiative to make the presentation and we thank Col Vic Seavers, USAF (Ret) and the rest of the Air Force Association for their kind and generous gift. Thank you!!

## Star Donor Program for the Freedom Fund

Be recognized for your contributions to the Freedom Fund!

The Star Donor Recognition Program accumulates your contributions and, when those contributions reach a certain level, your name will appear listed at that Star Donor level in the Department of Minnesota newsletter.

If you are interested in participating in the Star Donor program please use the mail-in form for your contributions. Just download or clip the form, print, attach your organization's check or your personal check—and mail in to "The Major Dan Anderson Freedom Fund" at the address shown on the form.

The Star Donor Program levels are:

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The Board of Directors of the Freedom Fund thanks you for your contributions!!

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**LTC Rob Chaucierre, USAR, serving in Sonthofen, Germany 2007**

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