



AFIO NEW MEXICO CHAPTER

November 2019 Newsletter

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NEXT MEETING -- WED. 13 NOVEMBER 2019

- Note: ***“The Egg & I”*** Restaurant has been renamed to ***Sunnyside Up Café*** (same location) -
Sunnyside Up Café -- 6909 Menaul Blvd (East of Louisiana)

1100: Sign-In/Order Lunch 1130: Call to Order 13:00: Adjourn

SPEAKER: Mr. Tom Dyble

TOPIC: Part 2 on “Chaos in Cairo: Arab Spring in Egypt” based on David D. Kirkpatrick’s book “Into the Hands of the Soldiers: Freedom and Chaos in Egypt and the Middle East”.

Hi All,

Our next meeting will be on Wed. November 13th. There was a lot of interest in Tom’s report so we are looking forward to Part 2.

OCTOBER MEETING REPORT:

1135 Chapter Treasurer, Richard S. opened the luncheon meeting, and led the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a moment of silence.

1135 - Introduction of Guests

Several guests were in attendance.

1140 - Chapter Business

- Health & Wellness of Members: Nothing to report.
- Treasure report by Richard: Balance as of Sept. 30 is \$283.71, but two members paid dues today adding \$50.00 for a current total of \$333.71.
- Richard mentioned that Sam continues to pay for the advertising and that the club needs to consider assisting him in paying for this.

1145 - Presentation: Tom Dyble gave his talk from the book *“Into the Hands of Soldiers: Freedom and Chaos in Egypt and the Middle East”* by David Kilpatrick, writer for the NY Times. Tom’s talk was entitled “Chaos in Cairo: Arab Spring in Egypt” drawing on information from the book.

Note: For those who missed the meeting, here is a link to a synopsis of the book, by Lloyd Green published in the Guardian, Sunday, August 5, 2018, which briefly outlines the substance of Tom’s talk:
<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/aug/05/into-the-hands-of-the-soldiers-review-democracy-egypt>

Lloyd Green was staff secretary to the George HW Bush 1988 campaign’s Middle East policy group.

1250 - Open floor to Members

Bob Hull brought to everyone’s attention an article on a Russian website, RT (formerly Russia Today) that was published online October 3, 2019. The title of the article is: *“Moscow is helping Beijing build missile-attack warning system that only Russia & US have – Putin.”*

“A missile-attack warning system that Moscow is helping Beijing put together will drastically increase China’s defense capabilities, President Vladimir Putin said, noting that only Russia and the US currently have such technology.

"I don't think I'll open a huge secret here. It'll become clear anyway. We're now helping our Chinese partners to create a missile-attack warning system," Putin told the high-profile guests of the 16th meeting of the Valdai Discussion Club at the Black Sea resort of Sochi on Thursday.”

Bob pointed out that this action is a game-changer and should be of concern to everyone.

1252 – Ken B. moved that the meeting be closed, and Bob H. seconded the motion, all were in favor. Several members then continued Q&A with Tom for a while.

Upcoming Speakers:

Nov. 13th: Mr. Tom Dyble will do Part 2 of his presentation on “Chaos in Cairo: Arab Spring in Egypt”

Dec. 11th: TBA

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