

**Fort Knox Chapter, AUSA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
Leader's Club, Fort Knox, KY
9 June 2004**

ATTENDANCE

See attached roster. Chapter President Diane Logsdon called the meeting to order at 12:00 hours.

New attendee introduced was LTC Bob Siebert, DCO, 16th CAV.

MINUTES AND ACTIVITY REPORTS

There were 13 military and 19 civilians for a total of 32 present at the 9 June 2004 Executive Council Meeting. The minutes of the May 2004 Meeting were submitted and approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The May Financial Report was approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS/REQUESTS: None presented

GENERAL BUSINESS

AWARDS

Bob Roush reported that:

- We are in the process of submitting 5 individual and 1 corporate nominations for National Level awards.
- We don't yet have a Army Volunteer Family of the Year or DA Civilian of Year nominee. We could use some input from Post on these.
- Also, we will be supporting 6 Basic ROTC Cycle Graduations this summer with framed National Level Certificates.
- We supported eight (8) high schools in our area with JROTC medal/ribbon sets.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Don Devine reported that 200+ individual memberships expired and that 54 memberships transferred to other chapters. There are also 29 corporate members scheduled to expire by the end of June if not renewed. We have two very big renewal months ahead of us. With end of year coming on June 30th it is very important that we work membership, and especially renewals, very hard.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

MG Bill Barron and Daniel London reported that they thought the effort to delay BRAC 2005 was dead in the water. They do feel that Fort Knox is favorably positioned and that we have a very good chance of doing well in BRAC.

PUBLICITY

Rick reported that if anyone has anything to contribute for the next newsletter they should get it to Rick as soon as possible. It has to go out before the end of the month.

PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES

*****2nd Region Meeting. Ruff Warren reported on various activities at the 2nd Region meeting held in May. It included a change of command of the 101st Airborne Division Commanding General, a tour of the new Veteran's cemetery and other significant activities.**

*****Army Birthday. Diane again noted that the Chapter would celebrate the Army's Birthday on 14 June 2004. It will be a brunch format starting at 10-AM to fit the governor's schedule. Much credit has to be given to Bob Roush, Val and Daniel London who worked so hard to pull it all together.**

*****AUSA Annual Meeting. Ruff reported that he had been able to book [13] rooms at the Renaissance, [5] because of our President's Club (membership recruiting) status. Chapter needs to work on determining what soldiers we will be taking.**

*****President's Training. Larry Hawkins reported on his recent trip to DC for President's training. He said that it was very intense, informative and that he had brought back 18 pounds of reference material!**

OTHER BUSINESS:

Ruff reported that he and others in the chapter felt that we should adopt the balance of Kentucky to the east as a part of our area of operations. We would gain new members for our chapter and those that we have recruited would be assigned to us and not as a member at large. Many members from that part of the state were recruited by us and originally and reassigned by national.

To do so would require a by-laws change that would have to be approved at a general membership meeting. The Executive Council concurred with the proposed bylaw change and it was decided that we would attempt to have an amendment ready for membership approval at the GMM on Monday, June 14th.

SUB-CHAPTER REPORTS

1ATB/Elizabethtown: Tom Renfrow reported that he was sure of 5 new corporate members and expects to get a total of 25-30.

16th Cav/Radcliff: No Report.

Garrison Command/Louisville:

*****COL Armstrong reminded all about the Montgomery Gentry salute to the nation concert on the 4th of July and the fireworks that will follow. They're looking for ticket sales around 10,000, and those who are qualified and who buy early can save \$5 per ticket for the next week. VIP tickets are not selling as anticipated.**

***** He said that the Residential Community Initiative (RCI) may not be the way for Fort Knox to go because our BAH isn't enough to partner. He'll keep us posted on any future developments.**

***** He advised that Friday has been established as a National Day of Mourning in honor of recently deceased President Ronald Regan. This will likely significantly impact installation operations.**

*****Additionally he advised that a Fort Knox Civilian Fireman, Mr. Gerald W. Schiedewitz has been named Army Civilian Firefighter of the Year. He is a GS-7 Lead Firefighter who has been assigned to the Fort Knox fire department for 6 of his 15 years as a civilian firefighter. He is also the departments HAZMAT / WMD coordinator as an additional duty, taking those reigns after 9-11. He provides most of the training to the Installation Support Team and others on post in the area of WMD and HAZMAT response. Most recently he has been instrumental in the development of the Dept of the Army Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear and Explosive response program.**

He and his family will be invited to attend the GMM on June 14th so that he can be recognized publicly for his significant achievements.

USAREC/Meade County: COL Arnold will have the names of USAREC soldiers for the "Take 2" program today. She also invited all to attend the Flag ceremony that USAREC will hold at 1600 hours on Flagg Field Monday afternoon as part of the Army Birthday Celebration.

Contractor Affairs:

It was noted that Mr. Andy Hove, Director of Bradley Programs, and UD's Regional Manager Jake Fryer stepped up to the plate on behalf of United Defense to support the Fort Knox Chapter's annual program that brings junior enlisted and non-commissioned officers to the National Convention in Washington D.C. CSM (Ret) Don Devine, on behalf of the AUSA Chapter accepted a check for \$1000.00 to be used to defray the expenses for the trip and the hospitality events.

FKLA/Civilian Personnel: Jim Davidson reported that:

***** Cheryl White was recently married and is on her way to her new assignment in Germany.**

***** The FKLA Golf Scramble has been postponed due to the designation of Friday as a national day of mourning.**

*****The 233rd will return from their latest tour in Iraq on Saturday. They completed over 2-million miles without a death or significant problem. They are scheduled for their third rotation to Iraq in November.**

Retiree Affairs: Don Devine and Clint Meshew

***** We were told of some of the successes that have been achieved as a result of the counseling done by the VSO's at the snake pit (Bldg 4022). There are currently four persons there to counsel Veteran's and assist in making application for benefits, etc.**

Command Group: Nothing to add.

Roger Stradley noted that the chapter wasn't invited to participate in the Memorial Day activities at the Riverbats stadium. The chapter has been instrumental in putting this together in the past. He asked that the chapter be included in the future.

CSM DeSario agreed to make sure we are involved in the future.

ADJOURN. Prior to calling for adjournment, Diane presented a door prize (an umbrella), which was claimed by COL Gahagan, he being the person present with birthday closest to 9 June. There being no further business, Diane asked for a motion to adjourn which was made, seconded and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at about 1300 hours.

Our next meeting will be held on 14 July 2004 at the Fort Knox Leader's Club.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Lewis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Rick Lewis
Chapter Secretary**

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JUNE 9, 2004**

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

1	Armstrong, COL Keith	Garrison Cdr	624-2749
2	Arnold, COL Melayne	USAREC	626-0592
3	Ashley, CSM Roger	16th CAV	624-6908
4	Barron, MG Bill	CORE	765-5880
5	Barron, Ms Kelly	VP Programs	352-1204
6	Brown, CSM Wilbert T	MEDDAC	624-9933
7	Davidson, Jim	FKLA Rep	624-2133
8	Davis, CSM Gary	Garrison CSM	624-2749
9	DeSario, CSM George	Post CSM	624-4952
10	Devine, CSM (R) Don	VP Membership	351-5462
11	Flanagan, John	Anteon Inc-Publicity Comm.	624-3097
12	Fryer, CSM [R] Jake	United Defense	624-5741
13	Gahagan, COL Bob	C of S	624-1101
14	Gudenkauf, Gene	VP Radcliff	351-2230
15	Hanson, CPT Karl	16th CAV	624-7781
16	Hawkins, Larry	1VP - FFSB	765-2134
17	Hester, CSM Larry D.	2/16 CAV	624-7481
18	Hicks, Ms. Valerie	Treasurer/DENTAC	624-6284
19	Lewis, Mr. Rick	Sec. / VP A. Arnold Moving	737-7088
20	Logsdon, Diane	President - VP HMH	706-1698
21	London, Daniel	Cong. Lewis' Field Office	765-4360
22	Meshew, Clint	Vet Benefits	352-2236
23	Pierce, COL Carol	MEDDAC CDR	624-9070
24	Renfrow, Tom	VP Elizabethtown	765-4490
25	Roush, LTC [R] Bob	VP Awards/Ft Knox Fed. Credit Union	942-0254
26	Shaffery, Ms Connie	PAO	624-4704
27	Siebert, LTC Bob	16 CAV	624-2355
28	Smith, CSM Otis	HHC, USAARMC	624-5405
29	Stradley, CSM [R] Roger	I/P/P - Pres. Bedrock	351-8043
30	Tobias, CSM (R) Walter	Armed Forces Bank	942-5315
31	Warren, LTC (R) Ruff	Past President / Finet	351-1900
32	Wright, LTC Kevin	1ATB	624-4330

MILITARY = 13

CIVILIAN = 19