

**Fort Knox Chapter, AUSA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
Leader's Club, Fort Knox, KY
Meeting of April 12, 2006**

Minutes

ATTENDANCE

See attached roster. Chapter President Randy Acton called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Randy welcomed Kelly Barron from the Radcliff Tourism Bureau and LTC (R) Maryse King from the Louisville Subchapter. MG (R) Barron introduced his guest, Mr. Gary Furlong, a member of the engineering firm constructing the new Newgarden Tower. Colonel Needham introduced his guest, CSM Chuck Waters, who will be replacing CSM Davis.

MINUTES AND ACTIVITY REPORTS

There were twenty-two present for the April meeting of the Executive Council. The minutes from the March 2006 meeting were submitted and approved as presented. **Motion by Stradley to accept. Second by Nuccitelli. Motion carried.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial statements for March 2006 were included in the packet. However, Treasurer Hicks wasn't able to attend the meeting, so no formal report was given.

COMMUNICATIONS/REQUESTS

Randy received information regarding the 10-mile race, which will be held October 9, 2006, just prior to the AUSA Annual Meeting. As of April 7, 6,035 runners had registered. Registration can be completed online at www.AUSA.org or an application can be picked up from Randy. Roger noted that the Ft. Knox Chapter of AUSA has sponsored a team for the race in the past and we typically host a HUAH Tent at the finish line in conjunction with Pioneer Services. George added that the post has supplied an Installation Team each year and he recommended CSM Smith be contacted to help lead this effort in 2006. President Randy agreed to contact CSM Smith.

GENERAL BUSINESS

AWARDS

Bob Roush sent a report to Randy stating that things are fairly quiet in the Awards area. He is preparing for high school JROTC awards and graduation.

MEMBERSHIP

CSM (R) Don Devine was unable to attend the meeting, so there was no formal membership report. Thanks to Carl for recruiting three new lifetime members. Ruff reminded the group that membership determines Star Status so we must remain diligent in recruiting new members.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

MG (R) Barron reported on the 100th Army Reserve Division Headquarters. Congressman Ron Lewis and MG (R) Barron recently met with HQ leadership and they hope to have a definitive analysis by April 19, 2006.

The Cadet Command is still being tracked and plans continue to bring the camp here to Knox.

MG Hernandez with the HR Command had a great visit here last week. He met with local leaders and many community members and enjoyed his time here.

MG (R) Barron also reminded the group that the AUSA Golf Scramble is June 9, 2006 at the Lindsey Golf Course. Registration is at 10:30am and tee-off is 12:00noon. The event will be followed by Post Stable Call at 5:00pm. Last year, about 130 players participated and \$10,500 was raised. The goal for 2006 is \$12-13,000. Letters have been sent to 225 corporate members already. If you need a letter to pass along to a colleague, golfer or potential sponsor, please see Bill. Sponsorship levels remain the same as last year. Door prizes and goody bag items are needed, so any help in collecting items would be appreciated.

PUBLICITY

Randy reported that he and Cindy Smith from "The News-Enterprise" have begun working on a flyer to be stuffed in grocery bags. Other projects in the works: a radio ad about the Hooray for Heroes event (May 20) and an article about AUSA for "The News-Enterprise." There will also be more advertising for the membership drive when it begins.

Carl reported on the membership drive. Carl shared with the group a flyer and cost analysis. He has approval to put large signs in prime locations on post (such as the golf course, clubs, banks, etc.) and there will be large banners on North Dixie Highway, as well as various business marquees. The cost for this event is approximately \$5,500 and we will be able to recycle the signs and use again next year. Discussion then followed on:

- the potential date of the membership drive (late April)
- the matter of posting the signs where soldiers live and work
- information-sharing about AUSA
- soldiers and commanders sponsoring one another as means of professional development advertising opportunities through the Armor War fighting Symposium
- the rules and goals of the contest, which is to recruit 1,000 new members. It will take 200 E5-E7's to break even on this drive.
- It was noted that Pioneer had donated 100 memberships for junior enlisted soldiers and Roger is going to set up free memberships on the AUSA website and he suggested putting flyers into local bank statements

Carl asked if SGM's could be a collection point. COL Utley believes that they could. Other collection points will be Pioneer Services, Helen's Flowers, First Command and Century 21 Choice Realtors.

Motion made by Cornelius asking for \$5,538.80 be utilized for the membership drive.

***Please note: Randy asked for \$3,000 by email from the Executive council for the drive. This \$5538.80 would be the total budget, not an additional amount above the \$3,000 requested.*

Second by Stradley. Discussion followed on how this fits into the overall budget. We have approximately \$26,000 in our account. Motion carried.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Roger spoke about Hooray for Heroes, coming up May 20, 2006. There will be live music, booths occupied by Chamber of Commerce and/or AUSA members, BBQ and amusements. Lunch will be served beginning at 12:00 noon; entertainment from 1-4pm and a recognition program will be at Stithon Baptist Church at 7:00pm.

ARMY BIRTHDAY

A speaker hasn't been secured yet but MG Williams has invited LTG Van Antwerp to serve as guest speaker and we're awaiting his reply. Sen. Mitch McConnell will speak to the General Membership Meeting August 23, 2006 and we have tentatively secured MG Bostick of the Recruiting Command to be the keynote speaker in November.

SUB-CHAPTER/VICE PRESIDENTS REPORTS

1st ATB/ELIZABETHTOWN---No report from 1st ATB. Larry Hawkins sent a report to Randy that the corporate membership drive in Elizabethtown will kick off April 21, 2006.

16th CAV RGT---No report

GARRISON---No report

LOUISVILLE---Maryse announced the Louisville Subchapter luncheon will be April 20, 2006 at Wildwood Country Club. The speaker is MG Silverthorn. Details will follow via email. Maryse was invited to a motorcycle swap meet and with her AUSA booth raffled items and made \$215 for the cemetery project. An additional \$250 was donated from an American Legion post and \$500 from another American Legion post. To date, the Louisville subchapter has collected nearly \$4,000 for the cemetery project. Matching funds are available through AMVET, so it's important that we raise as much as possible for the carillon so that we can be the first military cemetery in KY to have one and it needs to be ordered in the coming months so it will be ready for the cemetery's opening in June 2007. . Ruff reminded the group that donations made to the State Vets Trust Fund are tax deductible. Maryse announced that the Rolling Thunder group is willing to have AUSA posted/linked to their website so she will work with Bill and Roger on this.

USAREC---No report

MEADE COUNTY---No report, but Randy commended Larry Green on all his hard work.

CONTRACTOR AFFAIRS---CSM (R) DeSario announced that they have met with IPAK, Lowe's, Best Buy and Home Depot regarding joining AUSA. Best Buy will be joining in May and participating in the coupon books. They also plan on contacting Jack Hart's Body Shop and the Treasure Chest Shipping Place.

FKLA---No report

VETERANS AFFAIRS---No report

MOAA---Roger announced that the national president of MOAA sent a letter of support regarding the “No Pay Due” legislation and encouraged our chapter to do the same. **Motion by Stradley to send a letter of support to our national president on the “No Pay Due” legislation. Second by Cornelius. Motion carried.**

COMMAND GROUP---No report or comments

SPECIAL EVENTS

Randy asked everyone to keep in mind the upcoming events. The Regional meeting will be in Detroit on May 2, 2006. Many of our members will be going. The new Presidents training will be in June and Randy and Bob Nuccitelli will be attending.

MG (R) Barron announced that he Boy Scouts Annual Drive will be Tuesday, April 25, 2006 at John Hardin High School. The goal is \$46,500 but he feels this community can raise \$50,000. Letters and emails will be coming to you regarding this campaign.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:55pm.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 10, 2006 at the Ft. Knox Leaders Club.

Respectfully submitted,

Kendra Stewart VP of Programs
on behalf of Rick Lewis, Secretary

Fort Knox Chapter, AUSA

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ATTENDANCE ROSTER

1.	Acton, Randy	President, Multichannel Consultants	737-6830
2.	Barron, MG (R) Bill	CORE Committee	765-5880
3.	Barron, Kelly	Radcliff Tourism Bureau	352-1204
4.	Braverman, COL Steve	MEDDAC	624-9070
5.	Cornelius, Carl	First Command	351-6038
6.	Curtis, Ethel	Pioneer Services	352-5161
7.	DeSario, CSM (R) George	BAE	624-5741
8.	Furlong, Gary	Guest of MG Barron	
9.	Gold, COL Russell	USAARMC	624-1101
10.	Henley, Aubrey	Office, Chief of Armor	
11.	King, LTC (R) Maryse	Louisville Subchapter	594-6581
12.	London, Daniel	Office of Rep. Ron Lewis	765-4360
13.	Needham, COL Mark	Garrison Commander	624-2749
14.	Nuccitelli, COL (R) Bob	1 st VP/President Elect	877-0759
15.	Shaffery, Connie	PAO	624-4704
16.	Stewart, Kendra	Lincoln Trail Behavioral Health System	351-9444
17.	Stradley, Roger	USA Cares/Bedrock	351-8043
18.	Turner, Mike	GD-OTS	300-8692
19.	Utley, COL Peter	1 st ATB	624-3755
20.	Valdivia, COL Bob	U.S. Army Armor School	
21.	Warren, Ruff	AUSA State President	877-6461
22.	Waters, CSM Chuck	Garrison	

Civilian: 16

Military: 6