

FORT KNOX CHAPTER, AUSA
Executive Council Meeting
Leader's Club, Fort Knox, KY
11 February 2009

ATTENDANCE

See attached roster. Chapter President Otis Fox called the meeting to order at 1200 hours.

INTRODUCTIONS:

All people present introduced themselves. Guests included Ken Slye, USA/OSD, Ret, Wesley Wright, Ray's Ford and Whitney Trusty and Matt Wilbourn, Knox Hills. Fox took this opportunity to once again thank all present for their volunteerism especially for AUSA. He also assigned some homework for those present. He asked all to take some handouts which show various benefits of being a member of AUSA. The goal is to develop a chapter pocket-sized benefits card.

MINUTES AND ACTIVITY REPORTS

There were 14 military and 13 civilians for a total of 27 present at the 14 January 2009 Executive Council Meeting. The minutes of the January 2009 Meeting were approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The report for January 2009 was approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS/REQUESTS

Fox announced the \$1500 donation to Hooray for Heroes and the \$50 donation for a local high school lock in. Roush informed the council of efforts to build a coupon book and the need for \$100 to pay the Radcliff Chamber for getting out our solicitation to their membership. A motion was made, seconded and approved to make this expenditure. Green added that he was working on corporate memberships in Meade County using the coupon book as a way for the new corporate member to promote business.

GENERAL BUSINESS

AWARDS

Roush reported that the Chapter participated in Post's semi-annual recognition ceremony in January 2009 and would participate in Post's annual awards ceremony on 19 February 2009. This latter ceremony will involve the expenditure of a little over \$3,000. Also, the chapter has started to receive requests for HS JROTC award elements with many more to come.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Gudenkauf reported that he was working hard on getting 10 person corporate memberships like Wal-Mart. Also, a lot of effort has been expended to get a 20% coupon from Wal-Mart. We hope to be successful. Attempts to get other significant coupons may end up as national level discounts like Geico.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

No report.

MARKETING/PUBLICITY

Fox reported that Stewart could not make the meeting but was working on a number of marketing and publicity ideas. Fox once again appealed to establish a Committee to concentrate on BRAC; that is, what the chapter could do to help. Randy Acton stepped up to help take on this mission. Also, at the end of the meeting, Trusty said she would help, too. A committee is now in place with room for more!

PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES

Fox again discussed the coupon book with goal to have a good one completed and ready for use by EOM April 2009. We've got materials to sign up coupon participants. We've got a good slide product on the internet for presentation to prospective participants to include possible corporate members. Roush reported that the Spring GMM was in the works with Congressman Guthrie on tap to be the guest speaker. Fox added that getting good speakers was key to chapter growth and community impact. Roush said the date for the Golf Scramble was fixed and that efforts to execute this major fund raiser would need to begin next month; form committee, get out requests for sponsors, etc. Gudenkauf added that he was actively pursuing a Bowling Tournament on post as a fund raiser to augment Golf Scramble. More details to follow. Roush reported that the chapter was looking at best date and forum to hold Army Birthday Celebration. MG Campbell added that his vision would be to do something formal and try to tie in with USAREC's Celebration. If possible, we should have one cake-cutting, formal celebration on Fort Knox. MG Campbell emphasized that this was a vision and not a directive; the chapter should do what it collectively believes is best.

SUB-CHAPTER VP REPORTS

194th Bde: Col Hubner reported that the brigade's attention was diverted from training to disaster relief during the recent ice storm. Training is now back to normal with around 3000 soldiers on board. The Infantry Ball will be held on 17 April 2009. Gudenkauf praised the Brigade for its outstanding job in planning and orchestrating this year's Armor Ball.

16th Cav: LTC Worrill reported that the Regiment was also actively engaged in the Ice Storm Relief Effort. The Regiment has begun to ramp up activities with Vine Grove; its “Sphere of Influence” partner. Many attended the latest Chamber Meeting to find out how best they could mutually support each other. Lastly, he stated that UofL might be a fertile ground for increasing AUSA presence and membership through awards program. CSM Troxell added that he had met with UofL’s Green to Gold Recruiter and that he would be making contact to see what he could do to help.

Garrison: Shaffrey reported that MG Campbell, COL Schwartz and others would be presenting a Community Update at John Hardin HS on 19 Feb at 1300 hours. This update is open to the public.

USAREC: COL Border reported that command had begun to reenergize its collaboration with Meade County. She reported that the recruiting mission had been surpassed through January 2009. She also promoted the “March to Success Program”.

Contractor Affairs: No report. MG Campbell stated that “Deployment Signage” was now up at all three gates. Fox added that the chapter may reorganize slightly in the future to better align with Knox’s new “Sphere of Influence”.

Retiree/Veteran Affairs: No report.

Command Group: MG Campbell reported that the Armor Warfighting Conference would be held 12-14 May 2009. The flow will be generally the same as in the past. However, the Conference will not overlap with the Kentucky Derby and it will be a ½ to 1 day shorter in duration. Three (3) 4-Star and two (2) 2-Star generals are committed to speak. The command is working on getting a top flight CSM as a guest speaker to help promote “The Year of the NCO”. On 20 February 2009, the command will begin its celebration of “The Year of the NCO” at 1500 hours in Waybur Theater with many more events to follow. Of note, speaking requests will be deflected to NCOs whenever possible. MG Campbell also stated that the Armor Ball was well attended (over 600 present), well executed by the 194th Armor Brigade and the guest speaker, Vice Chief of Staff, Army delivered a great address. As far as the Annual Meeting goes, MG Campbell wants to take as many soldiers as possible and the Running Team(s) need to be established and registered soon so as to avoid possible entry problems. MG Campbell stated that he was very proud about how the Post and the surrounding community came together to provide disaster relief/assistance during the recent Ice Storm. This inclement weather event provides a great opportunity for a substantive After Action Review. Kudos also to Knox Hills for their help during this disaster. Lastly, gate procedures are getting better with experience and the sign up of many who ignored pleas to do so before the 15 January 2009 deadline. Groups are especially welcome to come on post for various events. CSM Troxell reemphasized the kick off event for “The Year of the NCO” and again explained the “3-2-1” process for getting out the message (Each command participates in 3 events; 2 external and 1 internal).

Other

Red Cross: Giulitto reported that the recent Ice Storm highlighted the need for more leaders to become trained in Disaster Preparedness. The Red Cross offers this training. It's important to get trained now. She also echoed MG Campbell's praise for the way all worked hard on disaster relief during/after the Ice Storm.

Calendar: Need to add PX/Commissary Advisory Council Meeting, 17 April 2009, 1330 hours.

ADJOURN. There being no further business, Fox adjourned meeting at 1300 hours.

Our next meeting will be held on 11 March 2009 at the Fort Knox Leader's Club.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Lewis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "L" and "S".

Rick Lewis
Chapter Secretary.

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**Leader's Club, Fort Knox, KY
2/11/2009**

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

	NAME	ORGANIZATION	PHONE
1	Acton Randy	Dream Real Estate	300-0099
2	Border, COL Val	DCS USAREC	626-0592
3	Campbell, BG Don	CG USAARMC	624-2121
4	Cox, MAJ William	2/46 IN	624-3478
5	Davidson, COL Jeff	Chief of Staff	624-1050
6	Earles, COL Rhonda	MEDDAC	624-9070
7	Fox, Otis	Innovative Productivity	638-4406
8	Giulitto, May	American Red Cross	624-2163
9	Graham	46 th AG	624-2571
10	Green MSG (Ret) Larry	Ray's Ford / Meade County	422-4901
11	Gudenkauf, Gene	ReMax	351-2230
12	Hubner, COL Dave	194 th	295-4504
13	Poppert, CSM Andrew	16th CAV	624-2355
14	Rhine, LTC Dean M.	194 AR BDE	624-2964
15	Roush, Bob	Ft Knox Fed. Credit Union	942-0254
16	Shaffrey, Connie	PAO	624-7451
17	Slye, Ken	USA/OSD (Ret)	799-6514
18	Taylor, Kristine	Armed Forces Bank	942-1417
19	Teeples, COL David	DCG	624-7555
20	Tobias, Walt	Armed Forces Bank	942-5331
21	Troxel, CSM John	Armor Center CSM	624-4952
22	Trusty, Whitney	Knox Hills	345-6101
23	Waters, CSM Chuck	Garrison	300-0171
24	Wilbourn, Matt	Knox Hills	799-6514
25	Worrill, LTC Chris	16th CAV	624-5228
26	Wright, Wesley	Ray's Ford	422-4901
27	Young, CSM Ricky	ASCSM	295-2109
	Civilian: 13		
	Military: 14		