

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

ATTENDANCE

See attached roster. Chapter President Otis Fox called the meeting to order at approximately 12:00 hours. Fox welcomed and thanked all for their presence and called for self introductions.

INTRODUCTIONS:

New attendees self introduced as follows: Kathy Herm, Cort; Walter Herd, IPI; R>P> Smith, 16th CAV; CPT Vernon James, 4th CAV; Brian Smith, Congressman Guthrie's Office; Steven Egan & Robert Pack, VFW Post 10281; and COL Dave Thompson, CDR 194th.

MINUTES AND ACTIVITY REPORTS

There were 7 military and 25 civilians for a total of 32 present at the 12 Aug. 2009 Executive Council Meeting. The minutes and financial reports for July 2009 were reviewed and approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: See above.

COMMUNICATIONS/REQUESTS:

- 1) Cathy Williamson, Better Business Bureau, presented the idea of the chapter holding a breakfast meeting for Mrs. Holly Petraeus, Director of BBB Military Line®, while she is in the area. It was determined that we should sponsor that breakfast to be held on 9/11/2009 at Zozo's Restaurant in Radcliff, time to be announced.
- 2) Steven Egan & Robert Pack, VFW Post 10281 made a presentation on a Bar-B-Que they have planned as a welcome home for the 3rd ESC. The chapter voted to participate and make a donation of \$300 to help sponsor the event.
- 3) The possibility of sponsoring a Radcliff Chamber of Commerce luncheon was discussed. To sponsor a luncheon the chapter would have to pay \$250 and would have approximately 5 minutes to tell those gathered about our mission. It was decided after some discussion that we would forgo that opportunity because of the limited time available and take a look at participating in the Chamber's business expo in November.

GENERAL BUSINESS

AWARDS: Bob Roush announced that the chapter would be adding the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club inductee's to the awards program and present each of the inductee's with a one year membership to AUSA and an NCO coin. He then reported that Emmett Holley had been selected as the 2nd Region AUSA Civilian of the Year.

Additionally he reported on the chapter's standing with national at the end of our operational year 2008-2009 (June 30, 2009). We have been notified that we have qualified as a MERIT CHAPTER. In addition we have qualified for streamers for Army Birthday, Family Programs, Take the Hill, Army History, Recruiting Command Support, Special Award and ILW Contribution.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Otis reported that end of July stood at 1288, plus 30 over the previous month. Gene then handed out flyers for a new membership drive and fielded questions from the group.

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS: Brian Smith advised that Congressman Guthrie had been very busy of late but that he was looking forward to attending our AUSA after Hours on the 18th at the State Theater and speaking to the group.

NCO and ENLISTED AFFAIRS: George DeSario floated an idea borrowed from the Fort Benning Chapter to raise corporate support for our annual meeting expenses. George will rework the letter to better fit the Fort Knox Chapter community for possible use by the chapter in soliciting sponsorships.

FAMILY PROGRAMS: Roger Stradley advised that USA Cares has already invested over 1M in soldiers and families in the greater Fort Knox community.

RETIREE AFFAIRS: Jolene Culpepper reported on the upcoming Retiree Open House in October. It was noted that the annual newsletter is posted on our chapter website and Jolene will forward the flyer to the chapter secretary for distribution.

PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES: Kendra reported that the AUSA after Hours with Congressman Guthrie would be held on August 18th at the State Theater in Elizabethtown from 5:30 to 7:30pm.

She then advised that a subcommittee had been formed to plan the details of the chapters participation in the AUSA annual meeting and that we are planning to bring items from the Patton Museum for display at our hospitality room.

Additionally, two banners are being made for display at events such as the welcoming home ceremonies for returning Soldiers.

Ken Beyer then reported that Fort Knox had been chosen as the location for filming a video on PTSD.

He informed council that welcome home for 233rd was now scheduled for 2200 hours on 14 August. As all welcome home events, this date/time is subject to change. He will inform council if there is any change.

Additionally he advised that everyone is invited to meet the Louisville Cardinals football team at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 16 at McAdams Football Field, which is next to Fort Knox High School. The players are scheduled to sign autographs from 5 to 6 p.m., so fans are encouraged to bring their Cardinals paraphernalia to have signed.

Louisville Cardinals Head Football Coach Steve Kragthorpe will address the community at about 6 p.m. about his thoughts on the upcoming season.

U.S. Army Recruiting Command will also have a rock wall and Army vehicle simulator available by the football field for fans to enjoy.

SUB-CHAPTER VP REPORTS

194th Bde: COL Dave Thompson said that the Brigade is roughly 7,000 strong and that he appreciates all that AUSA does for Soldiers.

16th CAV: COL Quintas reported on the Brigade's upcoming Combatives Tournament and thanked the chapter for its support.

USAREC: COL Artman reported that USAREC's organization Day would be Friday, 14 August.

Command Group: CSM Young talked about the need to work with legal to find better ways for AUSA to work with the post on events that appeal to and/or provide support to Soldiers and units. He also advised that the spouses of the SAMC inductees have an award that the chapter might want to participate in and said that he would work with Bob Roush on ways to do that.

ADJOURN. There being no further business, Fox adjourned the meeting at approximately 1315. Our next meeting will be held on 9 SEP 2009 at the Fort Knox Leader's Club.



Rick Lewis
Chapter Secretary

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING**

**Leader's Club, Fort Knox, KY
8/12/2009**

ATTENDANCE ROSTER

	NAME	ORGANIZATION	PHONE
1	Acton Randy	Semonin Commercial Properties	300-0099
2	Ardisson, Dick	Alion Science and Tech	624-7261
3	Artman, COL Sanford (Sandy)	USAREC	626-0592
4	Beyer, Ken	PAO	624-5105
5	Cornelius, Carl	First Command	351-6038
6	Culpepper, Jolene	RSO	624-1765
7	Curtis, Ethel	ACS-Survivor Outreach Svcs	624-1789
8	DeSario, George	BAE	533-2889
9	Egan, Steven	VFW 10281	300-7462
10	Flanagan, John	Bed Rock Prime	319-6166
11	Fox, Otis	Innovative Productivity	638-4406
12	Green MSG (Ret) Larry	Ray's Ford / Meade County	422-4901
13	Gudenkauf, Gene	1st VP / ReMax	351-2230
14	Herd, Walter	Innovative Productivity	638-4436
15	Herm, Kathy	Cort Furniture	499-2779
16	James, CPT Vernon	4th CAV	379-0305
17	Lewis, Mr. Rick	P/P-Sec. / A. Arnold Moving	737-7088
18	Ordway, Chris	The News-Enterprise	769-1200
19	Pack, Robert	VFW 10281	828-8472
20	Place, COL Ron	MEDDAC	624-9070
21	Quintas, COL Lee	16 th Cav	624-5898
22	Reed, Carolyn	Innovative Productivity	638-4451
23	Roush, Bob	P/P Ft Knox Fed. Credit Union	942-0254
24	Smith, Brian	Congressman Brett Guthrie's Office	438-6599
25	Smith, R. P.	16th Cav	624-5498
26	Sporleder, Lora	Pioneer Services	352-5161
27	Stewart, Kendra	VP Mktg / Lincoln Trail Behavioral Health System	351-9444
28	Stradley, CSM [R] Roger	USA Cares	300-5693
29	Thompson, COL Dave	CDR, 194th	624-6843
30	Warren, LTC (R) Ruff	Retired	304-5045
31	Wheat, Warren	The News-Enterprise	585-1764
32	Young, CSM Ricky	ASCSM	624-7109
	Civilian: 25		
	Military: 7		