

COMMANDER'S RETIREE COUNCIL
Fort Rucker, Alabama

1. The Commander's Retiree Council held its regularly scheduled meeting on April 1, 2004 at the Aviators' Landing . This was the 188th scheduled meeting since the Council was established in 1973.
2. Members present, absent, advisors, and guests present were:

MEMBERS (Army Retiree, Except as indicated)

PRESENT

COL William E. Crouch , Co-Ch	CSM Charles E Frye, Co-Ch
COL Charles A. Block (USMC)	CSM Andrews Rivers
COL Herman S. Heath	CSM William Jolley
LTC James Mellish	SGM Lloyd M. Rogers, Association Secretary
CDR James E. Cobb (USN)	SMSGT Jean Woodruff (UASF)
Ms. Erikc Johnson (Widow)	1SG Jackie D. Ray
	SSG Fred Spiker

MEMBERS ABSENT

COL Richard M. Johnson	SGM Terry Wilkens
COL James E. Hyers	SFC Ralph Reed, Unexcused
SFC Joe Barnes	

ADVISORS PRESENT

COL Thomas W. Young, Garrison Commander
COL David Gillingham, CDR. USAAMC
CSM George Evans, Garrison CSM
Mr. Mike O'Meara, Commissary Officer
Mr. Perry Hensley, AG
Mr. Will Newman, RSO
Mr. Stefan Marks, PX
Mr. Tim Laster, DCFA

3. The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am by Colonel Crouch.
4. The minutes of the last meeting were approved as written.
5. Old Business – None
6. Committee Reports.
 - a. Legislative Affairs – None

b. Quality Of Life – Colonel Block reported the Club System is in better shape than it was a year ago. The food service is making money, the prime rib night is a bargain and the lakes are opening next month.

c. Volunteer Program- Bowling Alley – No report

d. Health/Dental Care – CSM Rivers reported there had been no Health Committee meeting since our last meeting.

e. Outdoor Sports - Colonel Heath reported the golf course has a membership drive in progress for new members and renewals. There will be a Retiree Special on the first Monday of each month, i.e., a free round of golf with rental of a golf cart (\$10.). The same special applies to women on the first Tuesday of each month. Green renovation on the “Blackhawk” course will start this month. Post championship is scheduled for this month. The horse trails at the Equestrian Center were successful. The next one is scheduled for October 2 and 3. An Open Show is scheduled for April 10th.

f. RAD – Mr. Hensley recommended a Council Member assume the duties of MC for the RAD. Also, centerpieces for the tables on Friday night and a music combo for those who might want to dance.

7. Advisors Comments

a. Colonel Young reported the Army Family Action Plan Conference was scheduled for April 6 and 7.

b. Colonel Gillingham reported waiting time at the Pharmacy was longer due to new procedures initiated to help eliminate errors. The workload at the Pharmacy has increased without an equally increased number of Prime patients. Since the hospital is only staffed for Prime patients there may be some changes in policies at the pharmacy. The MRI Van is doing good, there has been no decision made yet to change the status of the hospital.

c. Mr. Marks stated the completion date for the parking lot renovation is 20 April, possibly sooner, with good weather permitting. The first day of the furniture tent sale did well. There will be an electronics sales on April 16 and 17. Charlie’s Bakery is open and doing well. A pet show is scheduled for 29 May where grooming services will be available. Sales are down which may result in reduced staffing.

d. Mr. O’Meara reported a Case Lot Sale on May 14 and 15.

e. Mr. Newman reported that Roy Watkins had successful back surgery and is at home recuperating.

f. Mr. Laster reported the annual Youth Carnival will be on April 10th. Rucker

Lanes has a two for one special every Tuesday from 5 till 9 PM. National Library Week is April 18-24 and the Center Library will have open house on April 21st.

8. New Business – None.

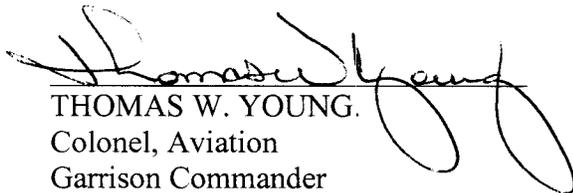
9. Co-Chairman’s Comments –None.

10. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1220 pm. The next scheduled meeting to be held at the Aviators’ Landing Community Center on May 6, 2004 at 1130 AM.

Approved via email 12 Apr 04
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