

# Fort Hood Retirement Bulletin

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By Fort Hood Retirement Services

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## A Note From The Commanding General, III Corps and Fort Hood and Command Sergeant Major, III Corps and Fort Hood

Greetings Retired Soldiers and Families,

As Military Retirees, you understand both the honor and the sacrifice which come with service to a Nation. As Americans, we are blessed to live in a country whose citizens hold our service members and veterans in high regard. I can think of nothing more honorable than serving your nation and providing a blanket of freedom that no other nation can parallel. I would ask each of you to continue to tell the Army story - let your friends and neighbors know of the tremendous sacrifices that our Soldiers make because you have been there, and you know firsthand. You have our respect and appreciation, and we urge you to remain active proponents of our military men and women as they stand for America's freedom. Thank you for your decades of service to this Nation and community.

On 30 and 31 October 2015, Fort Hood will open its gates to all military retirees, their Families, and survivors to show our appreciation for your great sacrifices and dedication. We will unite to thank and honor the commemoration of 50 years to our Vietnam veterans and their Families. The weekend is designed with you in mind and a time to reflect not only on how our great Nation came to be, but also on those who made that dream possible. Because of your loyalty and support, Fort Hood and its surrounding communities remain one of the strongest and best military communities in the world. We look forward to seeing you at Retiree Appreciation Day and thank you as you continue to live the Army Retired Motto: Soldiers for Life.

Sincerely,

  
ALONZO J. SMITH  
CSM, U.S. Army  
III Corps and Fort Hood

  
SEAN B. MacFARLAND  
LTG, U.S. Army  
Commanding

# 41st Annual Retiree Appreciation Day Agenda

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## Friday, 30 OCTOBER 2015

0800 - 1600	Legal Assistance	BLDG 13, 52d St. & 761st Tank Bn
0800 - 1600	VA Mobile Vet Center	BLDG 18010, Battalion Ave
0900 - TBD	Retiree Golf Tournament	Courses of Clear Creek
0900 - 1130	CRDAMC - Flu Shots	BLDG 18010, Battalion Ave
1600 - 1700	Retirement Celebration	III Corps Flagpole
1730 - TBD	Commissary Meet and Greet **Prior Reservation Required** Sponsored by Clear Creek Commissary Limited to first 150 RSVPs plus 1 Guest	Phantom Warrior Center 761st Tank Bn & 37 St

## Saturday, 31 OCTOBER 2015

0700 - 0845	Breakfast	Club Hood, BLDG 5764
0900 - 1000	Opening Ceremony	Club Hood, Main Ballroom
1000 - 1200	County Fair Activities	Club Hood, BLDG 5764
0900 - 1400	Health Fair, CRDAMC	Moore Clinic, BLDG 2245 761st Tank Bn
0800 - 1400	VA Mobile Vet Center	BLDG 18010, Parking Lot
0900 - 1400	ID Card Issue & DEERS Transactions	BLDG 18010, Battalion Ave
1100 - 1600	Legal Assistance (Wills, POA, ETC)	BLDG 13, 52d St.
1130 - 1230	New Hospital Tour	CRDAMC
1130 - 1400	Lunch	OIF Dining Facility BLDG 21020, Battalion Ave
1200 - 1600	Museum	1CD, BLDG 2218 3d CR, BLDG 419
1400 - 1500	1CD Horse Detachment Demonstration	1CD Horse Stables
1530 - 1630	New Hospital Tour	CRDAMC
1700 - TBD	Retiree Round-Up Dinner **Prior Reservation Required** Social Hour from 1700-1800 hrs	Club Hood, BLDG 5764

For More Information, Please Contact:

Fort Hood Retirement Services, Copeland Soldiers Service Center, Room B118, (254) 287-5210 Toll Free: 1-800-403-6640

## General Information

The Retirement Services Office is located in Building 18010, Rm. B118, on T.J. Mills Blvd and Battalion Ave. We offer a variety of information and assistance on retirement topics and benefits. We encourage you to make an appointment with us to discuss any issues or concerns regarding retirement. Because many inquires can be resolved telephonically, we also encourage you to call prior to coming in at (254) 287-5210 or 1-800-403-6640. We are open Monday thru Wednesday, 0800-1600 and Friday 0800-1200. We are closed Thursdays for "Appointments Only" and all Federal Holidays.

### Newsletter

If you would like to receive the annual newsletter by email, please submit your email address to: [usarmy.hood.usag.mbx.dhr-iag-retsvcs@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.hood.usag.mbx.dhr-iag-retsvcs@mail.mil). Your email will only be used to send the annual newsletter. Use "Newsletter" on the subject line and please put your name and mailing address in the email body so we are able to remove you from the mailing list. Newsletters will also be available online at [http://www.hood.army.mil/dhr/rso\\_newsletters.htm](http://www.hood.army.mil/dhr/rso_newsletters.htm)

### Casualty Information - How to Report the Death of a Retiree

The death of retired Army members should be reported to the nearest Casualty Assistance Center anytime by calling 1-800-626-3317. The Casualty Assistance Center will report the death to the Defense Finance and Accounting Service to stop retired pay and initiate the survivor benefits process. When reporting the death, please provide the Retiree's:

- Full Name
- Social Security Number/and or service number
- Date and Place of Birth
- Retired Rank
- Retirement Date
- Circumstances surrounding the death
- Next of Kin (NOK) information
- Copy of Statement of Service (DD 214)
- Copy of Death Certificate
- Disability Rating

This includes Army Reservist and Army National Guard members who are in a pay status. The Casualty Assistance Office at Fort Hood is located at Building 36042, Wratten Dr. or call (254) 287-7200.



**What is eBenefits?** eBenefits is a portal; a central location for Veterans, Service Members, and their Families to research, find, access, and in time, manage their benefits and personal information.

**How can eBenefits assist me? I am a Veteran...** Veterans are able to Apply for Veterans' Benefits Online (VONAPP), access VA Payment History, apply for VA Home Loan Certificate of Eligibility, check on Compensation & Pension Status, and more.

**I am a Family Member...** Family members (spouses and dependents ages 18+) of Service members and Veterans may register for a Basic (Level 1) DS Logon to access eBenefits to view TRICARE benefits, explore eLearning opportunities, and request information from State VA offices online.

For more information log on to <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov> or call your local VA Office.

## General Information

### myPay

More and more military retirees and annuitants are using **myPay**. The official online account is a convenient way to check your retired pay account and provide the retiree with a monthly electronic Retiree Account Statement (RAS), which is a complete summary of your pay, deductions and benefits. If you have never used **myPay**, visit <https://mypay.dfas.mil> and click "Forgot or Need Password" to have a temporary password mailed to you. When you receive your password, return to the **myPay** home page and click "Create an Account" to get started.

For problems using **myPay**, or with your **myPay** PIN, contact the DFAS Centralized Customer Support Unit toll-free at 1-888-DFAS411 or 1-888-332-7411; commercial at (216) 522-5096; or Defense Switching Network (DSN) at 580-5096. This support is available Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time.

### How to Update Your Address or Other Retired Pay File Information

**If in receipt of or entitled to retired Pay:**  
Defense Finance and Accounting Service  
U.S. Military Retired Pay  
PO Box 7130  
London, KY 40742-7130  
Phone: (800) 321-1080 or  
(216) 522-5955; FAX: (800) 469-6559  
(put SSN on all pages)

**If in receipt of or entitled to SBP/RSFPP Annuity**  
Defense Finance and Accounting Service  
U.S. Military Annuitant Pay  
PO Box 7131  
London, KY 40742-7131  
Phone: (800) 321-1080  
(216) 522-5955; FAX: (800) 982-8459  
(put SSN on all pages)

**If a Retired Reservist not yet age 60:**  
U.S. Army Human Resources Command  
ATTN: AHRC-PDP-TR  
1600 Spearhead Division Ave  
Dept 482  
Fort Knox, KY 40122-5402  
(888) 276-9472 or (502) 613-8950

**Remember:** You are responsible for updating your retired pay file information at DFAS-CL using the London, KY mailing address within one year of the event (i.e. marriage, remarry, have a child, are widowed or divorced or need to make or update a Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) election).

### Survey (Let Your Voice Be Heard)

Your issues and concerns are important to us. Please take a few minutes to let us know what they are so we can take your issue/concerns forward to Fort Hood and Army leadership.

What are the **TOP 3 Issues/Concerns** facing you and other retirees? These can be related to compensation issues, healthcare, other benefits such as Post Access, PX/Commissary, access to AKO/DKO and other online resources, or any other issues you think are important to you and other retirees.

You can email your answers to [reddognsdq@gmail.com](mailto:reddognsdq@gmail.com), mail them to Retirement Services, Bldg 18010, Room B118, Fort Hood, Texas 76544, or bring with you to the 2015 Retiree Appreciation Day at Fort Hood.

Your name will remain anonymous, but if you'd like an individual response to your concerns, please include your name, email address, and mailing address phone number. Thank you for taking time to help us raise these important issues/concerns to our Leaders.

**Texas Veterans Commission** – The Texas Veterans Commission, a state agency that advocates for and provides superior service to Veterans in the areas of Claims Representation and Counseling, Veteran Employment Services, Veteran Education Services, and Fund for Veterans Assistance grant funding that will significantly improve the quality of life for all Texas Veterans and their Families.

## General Information

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**TRICARE For Life** - Tricare For Life is TRICARE's Medicare-wraparound coverage available to all Medicare-eligible TRICARE beneficiaries, regardless of age, provided they are eligible for Medicare Part A and enrolled in Medicare Part B. For more information about Part B premiums visit [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov) or call Social Security at **1-800-772-1213 (TTY: 1-800-325-0778)**. While Medicare is your primary insurance, TRICARE acts as your secondary payer minimizing your out-of-pocket expenses. TRICARE benefits include covering Medicare's coinsurance and deductible.

Retirees under age 65 have the same TRICARE benefits as active duty except that they must pay an enrollment fee if they enroll in Prime.

**TRICARE Retiree Dental Program** - Enrollees in the TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (TRDP) have both the advantage of broad access to quality dental care and the benefit of having much of the cost of that care offset by Delta Dental-helping them protect their oral health and their wallet at the same time. The enhanced TRICARE Retiree Dental Program is available to all military retirees (including gray area) and their eligible Family members, unremarried surviving spouses and their eligible children. Enrollees can easily find a TRDP network dentist in their area by searching the online Dentist Directory at [trdp.org](http://trdp.org).

**MyArmyBenefits** - The MyArmyBenefits is your one stop for up-to-date benefits information. The site lists information on over 150 separate fact sheets sorted by category. If you still can't find the information you are looking for, try clicking on the hot-links at the bottom of each fact sheet to gain access to numerous Federal and State proponents for that benefit information. So next time you are searching for information about your benefits, try the MyArmyBenefits website at <http://myarmybenefits.us.army.mil/>. Give MyArmyBenefits a try-it's there for you!

**Army Emergency Relief (AER)** - The Army Emergency Relief is a private nonprofit organization incorporated in 1942. Today, AER provides financial assistance to Soldiers, retirees and their Families in the form of interest-free loans and grants in support of a variety of needs including: emergency assistance for rent, food, travel, car repair, funeral, medical and dental expenses. AER assistance is available to Soldiers, retirees and their Families wherever they are located. Emergency Relief assistance is available in times of financial need. Contact your respective base of call the national American Red Cross call center at (877) 272-7337.

**Texas Veterans App** - The Veteran Services Division of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission is happy to announce that the new Texas Veterans Phone App is now available for Android and iPhone users. This app requires either an Android (2.2 and newer) or iPhone (5.0 and newer) cell phone, and it is free. The app is designed to provide all veterans, retirees, active duty, and their Families easy access to the Veteran Crisis Line which is staff 24 hours a day, seven days a week by qualified responders from the Veterans Administration. One click takes you to the Texas Veterans Portal website where you can find the assistance, services and benefits specifically for veterans. Go to you app store and search "Texas Veterans App." Do it NOW!

## Retiree Appreciation Day Event Information

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### Honoring Our Vietnam War Commemoration

The Vietnam War was an era where service members of different backgrounds, colors, and creeds who came together to complete a daunting mission. In this era, Americans from every corner of our Nation who left the warmth of Family to serve the country they loved. It is a story of patriots who braved the line of fire, who cast themselves into harm's way to save a friend, who fought hour after hour, day after day to preserve the liberties we hold dear. From Ia Drang to Hue, they won every major battle of the war and upheld the highest traditions of our Armed Forces. Eleven years of combat left their imprint on a generation.

The Vietnam War was a long, costly armed conflict that pitted the communist regime of North Vietnam and its southern allies, known as the Viet Cong, against South Vietnam and its principal ally, the United States. The war began in 1954 (though conflict in the region stretched back to the mid-1940s), after the rise to power of Ho Chi Minh and his communist Viet Minh party in North Vietnam, and continued against the backdrop of an intense Cold War between two global superpowers: the United States and the Soviet Union. More than 3 million people (including 58,000 Americans) were killed in the Vietnam War; more than half were Vietnamese civilians. By 1969, at the peak of U.S. involvement in the war, more than 500,000 U.S. military personnel were involved in the Vietnam conflict. Growing opposition to the war in the United States led to bitter divisions among Americans, both before and after President Richard Nixon ordered the withdrawal of U.S. forces in 1973. In 1975, communist forces seized control of Saigon, ending the Vietnam War.

The Fort Hood Retirement Services Office would like to introduce and welcome as our Guest Speaker at this year's 41<sup>st</sup> Retiree Appreciation Day Opening Ceremony, Bob "Mr. Inspiration" Wieland.



Mr. Wieland is a top ranked speaker who has traveled the world inspiring and motivating our military and veterans. He encourages all to give just a measure more of themselves. Mr. Wieland was named the National Vietnam Veteran of the Year and the most courageous man in America.

We invite you to come out on 31 October 2015, to our 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Retiree Appreciation Day Opening Ceremony to help show our appreciation to all service members who have served our country and to honor our Vietnam Veterans.

## Retiree Appreciation Day Event Information

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### Retired Military Golf Tournament

The Forty-First Annual Retired Military Golf Tournament will be held Friday, 30 October 2015, 0900 hrs, at The Courses of Clear Creek. The event is limited to the first 144 entries received from retired personnel, their Family Members and Survivors. Complete attached entry form to ensure your place in the tournament. Please mail the entry form to: **The Courses of Clear Creek, P.O. Box K, Fort Hood, TX 76544 by 16 Oct 15**. The tournament will be individual by flight, shotgun start. Entry fee is \$45.00 per person which includes green fees, cart fees, prizes, and lunch afterward. For additional information, please call The Courses of Clear Creek at (254) 287-4130.

### Retirement Celebration

A Retiree Celebration will be held **Friday, 30 October 2015**, 1600 hours, at the III Corps Flagpole. This Celebration will honor Fort Hood Soldiers retiring during the month of October. In addition, our Honorary Retiree for 2015 will be recognized at the celebration.

### Clear Creek Commissary (Meet and Greet)

We are glad that once again the Clear Creek Commissary will sponsor "Meet and Greet" with fun and games" for Retirees, their spouses, and surviving spouses. It will be held 30 October 2015 at the Phantom Warrior Center, starting at 1730 hours. Because the Phantom Warrior Center can only hold 300 people, you must **RSVP** to reserve a seat. The seating is limited to Retirees, their spouse or one (1) guest, and/or surviving spouse plus one guest. **Please RSVP to the Retirement Service Office at (254)287-5210 or 1-800-403-6640.**

### Legal Assistance

Legal Assistance will be available on 30 October 2015 from 0800 - 1600 hours, and also on 31 October 2015, 1100 - 1600 hours, at Bldg 13, 52d Street & Tank Battalion (west side of the III Corps HQ Building). For more information please call **(254) 287-7901 or 287-3199**.

### Morning Breakfast

Come and enjoy breakfast at Club Hood while reacquainting with old friends and meeting new ones. Breakfast will include: Scrambled Eggs, Crisp Bacon, Sausage Links, Hash Browns, SOS, Hot Biscuits, Whipped Butter, Preserves and Jellies, Coffee, Orange Juice and Water.

### Opening Ceremony

On Saturday, 31 October 2015, 0900 hours, the Opening Ceremony will be held at Club Hood in the Main Ballroom. The guest speaker will be Bob "Mr. Inspiration" Wieland. There will also be organizations represented at our County Fair held in the Wilshire Room at Club Hood. Doors will open immediately following the opening ceremony.

### Lunch at Troop Dining Facility

Have a fantastic lunch and great conversation with the Soldiers of Fort Hood at the OIF Dining Facility, Battalion Ave, Bldg 21020. Cost: \$6.25 (Cash Only), Pay at Dining Facility.

## Retiree Appreciation Day Event Information

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### ID CARDS HOURS AT THE COPELAND CENTER

Hours of Operation: 0730-1500, Monday thru Friday (Closed all Federal Holiday's)

Customers will not be able to sign in after 1500 hrs

(You are encouraged to call to confirm hours prior to arriving)

### ID Cards / DEERS Information

**APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED.** EMERGENCY OR WALK-IN SERVICE AVERAGES A 2 - 3 HOUR WAIT TIME.

**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:** Due to Homeland Security Presidential Directive, **TWO (2) FORMS** of valid state or federal identification are required to process ID Cards for all adults; one must be a photo ID each time a card is issued. Children 10 years and older require one form of identification. *Identification documents CANNOT BE EXPIRED, including the military ID Cards, driver's license, CAC, etc. Expired military ID Cards or CACs must be confiscated when presented. Sponsor must be present for all transactions or Family Members must have current verified DD Form 1172-2 (Application for ID Cards/DEERS Enrollment) or valid General or Special Power of Attorney (Special Power of Attorney must state ID Cards/DEERS enrollments). All documents must be certified. Note: Ensure all names (First, Middle, Last) match the names in DEERS.*

All Retirees and Family members who are in need of a new ID Card because of mutilation, expiration, or loss need to bring the following documents.

a. Retirees: Retirement orders or DD Form 214 for first time retirees and two (2) forms of state or federal ID.

b. Family members **must be accompanied by their Sponsor or have a valid Power of Attorney (POA)**; if already enrolled, two (2) forms of valid state or federal ID in same name. The following documents are required to obtain an ID Card for first time ID recipient:

- (1) Retirement orders or DD Form 214
- (2) Birth certificate (**containing at least one of the parent's names**). If parents are NOT married, then you must present court documentation signed by a judge determining sponsor is parent.
- (3) Marriage certificate or certified copy (with seal).
- (4) Letter from college registrar's office stating that the dependent is a **full-time student** and the **expected date of graduation** (for dependents age 21 to 23), if already enrolled.
- (5) Divorce decree (certified)
- (6) Adoption papers (certified)
- (7) Unmarried surviving spouse must present 2 forms of valid ID's (State or Federal issued). First time surviving spouse: marriage certificate, death certificate, and birth certificate for surviving dependents. Tricare Young Adult (TYA), ages 23-26, please come on effective date.

### ID Card Online Appointments

To make online appointments, Log on to: <https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil/> click "Make an Appointment". ID Card appointments must be made for each individual receiving an ID Card or obtaining a DEERS transaction/update. Appointments/cancellations **must** be made 24 hours in advance to be processed.

**Special Cases:** Please call and confirm documentation.

For additional information, please call Fort Hood ID Card Services at  
**(254) 553-4444/ (254)287-5670 or (254) 287-2518**

## Retiree Appreciation Day Event Information

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### Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center Health Fair

The Health Fair will be at Charles T. Moore Health Clinic, Bldg 2245, 761<sup>st</sup> Tank Battalion Ave, 31 October 2015, 0900-1400 hours. This venue will provide a combination of screenings and educational programs to be held at various times throughout the day. As of date, Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center (CRDAMC) expects to have the flu vaccine for the fair. The Zostavax Vaccine (Shingles Vaccine) will be available for the Health Fair. The pneumonia shot and tetanus booster will be available for those needing these vaccines. Please bring shot records for verification and update.

\*\*\*Please note that for your convenience, "**Flu Shots Only**" will be provided on Friday, 30 October 2015, at the Copeland Soldiers Service Center, Room B114, from 0900 to 1130 hrs, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor.

### VA Mobile Counseling Center

We are delighted to announce that the VA Mobile Vet Center (MVC) will again provide its services at this year's Retiree Appreciation Day. The Mobile Vet Center is part of a fleet of 50 traveling counseling centers funded by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Copeland Soldier Service Center, Bldg 18010, Far end of parking lot.

**"New Claims Only"**

### Fort Hood Museum Information

**1st Cavalry Division Museum:** Hours of Operation: 0900 to 1600 - Monday through Friday; 1000 to 1600 Saturday; 1200 to 1600 Sunday and Federal Holidays. The museum is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Gift Shop is open 0930 to 1600 - Monday through Friday; 1200 to 1600 Saturday. Closed Sunday. For additional information please call (254) 287-3626.

**3d CR Museum:** Hours of Operation: 0900 to 1600 - Monday through Friday; 1000 to 1600 Saturday; 1200 to 1600 Sunday and Federal Holidays. The museum is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Gift Shop is open 1200 to 1600 Tuesday through Saturday. For additional information please call (254) 287-8811 or 288-3590.

**1st Cavalry Horse Detachment Demonstration:** The 1st Cavalry Horse Detachment will again entertain with their awesome cavalry horse demonstration on 31 October 2015, 1400 hours, at the 1st Cavalry Horse Stables, located near the main gate. Come out and enjoy the entertainment.

### Tour the New Hospital

Come and take a tour of the new Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center. Tours will be 1130-1230 hours and 1530-1630 hours. Meet in front of the new hospital.

The Fort Hood Retirement Services Office would like to "Thank You" for your service and sacrifice.

**"ONCE A SOLDIER, ALWAYS A SOLDIER...SOLDIER FOR LIFE"**

## Retiree Appreciation Day Event Information

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### Retiree Round-Up Dinner



This year's Retiree Round-Up Dinner will be held at Club Hood on Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015. The social hour will be from 5:00pm-6:00pm; Dinner will begin at 6:00 pm followed by Door Prize Drawings. For dinner our guests will enjoy a spring mix salad, traditional farmhouse meatloaf, farm raised catfish, and young whole chicken, lima beans succotash, buttered green beans, creamy mashed potatoes and old fashion double corn pudding. Beverages will include iced tea, coffee, and water, and a delicious assortment of desserts.

The cost of the dinner ticket is \$20.00 per person and must be paid in advance (price includes gratuity). There will be a *CASH BAR*. ATMs are available at Club Hood (there may be a bank charge to use ATM). Dress is casual. Individuals desiring to attend must complete and mail the attached application along with a check or money order made payable to Club Hood, no later than Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Tickets will NOT be mailed to you, guests will be checked in at the door.

Your early response will allow us to better plan for the number of guests planning to attend. Because tickets are first come, first serve, we ask that you please mail your application and funds today (NO Cash Please). Cancellations must be made prior to Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup>. Please note: no refunds will be issued after the 15<sup>th</sup> of October.

For further information please contact the Fort Hood Retirement Services Office or email our office at [usarmy.hood.usag-mbx.dhr-iag-retsvcs@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.hood.usag-mbx.dhr-iag-retsvcs@mail.mil)

#### Fort Hood Retiree Council Members

GEN (Ret) James D. Thurman, Co-Chairman  
CSM (Ret) Elijah King, Co-Chairman  
COL (Ret) Larry Phelps, Member  
COL (Ret) William Phillips, Member  
LTC (Ret) Pat Christ, Member  
LTC (Ret) Barbara MacMillan, Member  
LTC (Ret) Brian J. Pierce, Member  
CW3 (Ret) Womer O. Heath, Member

CSM (Ret) Stanley Small, Member  
CSM (Ret) Divina Bobb, Member  
CSM (Ret) Anthony Waller, Member  
CMCPO (Ret) Gene Hall, Member  
SGM (Ret) Guadalupe Lopez, Member  
SFC (Ret) Andrienne Evans-Quickley, Member  
SFC (Ret) Steven Moore, Member  
Ms. Naomi Roupe, Widow

**Associate Members:** COL (Ret) John Oliver, COL (Ret) Joslyn Portmann and CSM (Ret) Frank Minosky

## Local Lodging

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### **[Ret] RATE Holiday Inn Express (Fort Hood)**

As a proud sponsor of the upcoming Retiree Appreciation Day and in honor of your distinguished service, Holiday Inn Express® on Fort Hood is now offering a special retiree rate. Created exclusively for military retirees, the [RET] Rate will save you up to 20% on your stay at any of the 39 IHG Army Hotels locations across the nation. You'll enjoy guaranteed reservations and advance booking (up to 50 weeks in advance), not to mention all the exclusive conveniences and amenities of staying at an IHG Army Hotel. Holiday Inn Express on Fort Hood offers upgraded rooms, complimentary Express Start breakfast, weekly socials, complimentary shuttle, free guest laundry, free guest Internet access and much more, all delivered by a courteous and knowledgeable staff. To take advantage of this special rate, visit [IHG.com/RetireeRate](http://IHG.com/RetireeRate) or call 1-877-711-8326. You must present your valid military retiree ID at check-in.

### **Belton Lake Outdoor Recreation Area (BLORA) RV Parks & West Fort Hood Travel Camp**

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Another lodging alternative is the Recreational Vehicles "RV" camp. BLORA RV Parks offers a variety of RV sites complete with electricity, water, and sewer hookups, as well as picnic shelters. Sites are filled on a "first-come, first-served" basis. However, for Retiree Appreciation Day, if you call 24 hours in advance and a space is available, it can be held for you for 24 hours. For reservations or additional information visit their website [www.hoodmwr.com/rv\\_camp.htm](http://www.hoodmwr.com/rv_camp.htm) or call 287-2523.

The West Fort Hood Travel Camp offers a full service RV campground and vehicle storage facility. You may pull your recreational vehicle on line 24-hours a day, seven days a week, year round. All sites have 24-hour hook-up capabilities. Sites are filled on a "first-come, first-served" basis. However, for Retiree Appreciation Day, if you call 24 hours in advance and a space is available, it can be held for you for 24 hours. For reservations or additional information visit their Web site at [www.hoodmwr.com/travel\\_camp.htm](http://www.hoodmwr.com/travel_camp.htm) or call (254) 288-9926.

### **Fort Hood Guest House Number and Local Lodging Information**

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Fort Hood Guest House Reservation phone number: (254) 532-5157.

#### **Copperas Cove (adjacent to Fort Hood)**

Best Western Inn & Suites  
254-518-3363

Relax Inn  
254-542-6615

Super 8  
254-547-2345

Cactus Inn & Suites  
254-547-4271

Comfort Suites  
254-634-5560

Days Inn Copperas Cove  
254-547-1599

Luxury Inn & Suites  
254-518-2601

#### **Killeen (adjacent to Fort Hood)**

Best Western of Killeen  
254-526-6651

Comfort Suites  
254-634-5560

Executive Inn  
254-699-4081

Hampton Inn  
254-554-7110

Sleep Inn & Suites  
254-616-2345

Shilo Inn Suites Hotel  
254-699-0999 or 800-222-2244

Baymont Inn & Suites  
254-554-3615

#### **Harker Heights (adjacent to Killeen)**

Super 8  
254-698-6900

Heights Inn  
254-690-8700

Holiday Inn Killeen/Fort Hood  
254-690-5511

## Important Phone Numbers and General Information

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AAFES (Fort Hood) 254-532-7200	Fort Hood Tax Center 254-288-7995	Texas Workforce Commission 1-512-340-4300
Air Force News Line 1-800-558-1404	Medicare 1-800-633-4227	Tricare Mail Order Pharmacy 1-877-363-1304
Commissary (Clear Creek) 254-287-6648	Patient Appointment, CRDAMC 1-800-305-6421/254-288-8888	Veterans Administration 1-800-827-1000
Commissary (Clear Creek) 254-287-5943	Reserve Retirement Human Resource Contact Center 1-888-276-9472	Social Security Administration 1-800-772-1213
Commissary (Warrior Way) 254-287-8025	Robertson Blood Donor Center 254-287-5938	Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) 1-800-959-8277
DEERS Eligibility - DMDC Center 1-800-538-9552	Fort Hood Information 254-287-1110	VGLI Account Access 1-800-419-1473

### **Religious Support - *The Crossroads of Life..... Where Faith and Practice Meet***

The focus of religious support at Fort Hood is to provide ministry to all. Life has many aspects, including Spiritual.

#### **Fort Hood Chapel Locations**

Bldg 53 - 761st & 50th St. (254)288-6545  
**Old Post Chapel**

Bldg 12012 - 33rd St & Battalion Ave (254)553-1195  
**Spiritual Fitness Center**

Bldg 320 - Tank Destroyer Blvd (254)286-6785  
**Spirit of Fort Hood Chapel Center**

Bldg 24006 - 58th St & Battalion Ave (254)287-4034  
**58th Street Chapel**

Bldg 52024 - Tank Destroyer Blvd (254)288-6556  
**Comanche Chapel**

Bldg 31001 - 73rd St & Battalion Ave (254)287-0469  
**73rd Street Chapel**

Bldg 9406 - 19th St & Battalion Ave (254)287-2690  
**19th Street Chapel**

Bldg 37012 - 76th St & Battalion Ave (254)288-5145  
**76th Street Chapel**

Bldg 10041 - 25th St & Battalion Ave (254)285-6751  
**25th Street Chapel**

Bldg 39010 - 67th St & Support Ave (254)287-1391  
**13th ESC Chapel**

Bldg 36000 - Darnall Hospital Chapel (254)288-8849

Bldg 56607 - 18th St & Headquarters Ave (254)289-0972  
**North Fort Hood Chapel**

For specific service information: 254-288-6545

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**ANNUAL RETIREE ROUND-UP DINNER RESERVATION FORM**  
**SATURDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2015 AT 1700 HRS**

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**\*\*\*\* DEADLINE FOR RESERVATION IS 16 OCTOBER 2015 \*\*\*\***

Reservations can be made by sending either a money order or check for the correct amount of money with this form to the address directly below. **Please make check payable to Club Hood.**

**Send to:** Retirement Services Office  
ATTN: Retiree Round - Up  
BLDG 18010, Rm B118  
Killeen, Texas 76544-4836

Please make our/my reservation under this name (Please list those attending the dinner so we can make nametags for the event):

Name and Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone number if there is a question about my reservation:

(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

# \_\_\_\_\_ Will attend (\$20.00 per person)

Total amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**RESERVATIONS CANNOT BE MADE AT THE DOOR DUE TO**  
**THE NEED FOR AN ACCURATE COUNT.**

For more information please call (254) 287-5210

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**RETIRED MILITARY GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM**  
**- FRIDAY, 30 OCT AT 0900 HRS-**

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\*\*\*\* DEADLINE FOR ENTRY IS 16 OCTOBER 2015 OR FIRST 144 ENTRIES \*\*\*\*

**SEND ENTRY TO:** Business Operations Division  
The Courses of Clear Creek  
P. O. Box K  
Fort Hood, TX 76544

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL  
ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:** The Courses of Clear Creek.

I have my own cart, circle: YES or NO Handicap \_\_\_\_\_ My age is \_\_\_\_\_

The entry fee will be \$45.00 this cost includes green fees, cart, purchase of prizes, and lunch.  
See page 7 of this newsletter for more tournament information or call (254) 287-4130.