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CLUB CALENDAR:

03/16: Noon Meeting 12:00 Gober 03/23: Noon Meeting 12:00 Gober 03/30: Noon Meeting 12:00 Gober 04/06: Noon Meeting 12:00 Gober

UPCOMING GREETERS:

03/16: George White, Allan Lueck 03/23: Cheryl Traudt, Gy Okerson 03/30: Dave Fette, Scott Moger

VISITORS:

BIRTHDAYS:

03/09: James Nichols 03/11: Robert Farrell

03/13: Jeffrey Bragg

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

03/16: Glenn Brandt—TX Lions Camp 03/23: Judge Jon Burrows—State of the County 03/30: David Blackburn TEDC

UPCOMING MEALS:

3/16/16 sliced turkey green beans potato salad 3/23/16 BBQ potato salad beans 3/30/16 pork chop beans pea salad

MEMBERSHIP:

108 Active and 2 associates

This Week's Program

Todd Fox, Garrison Commander Ft. Hood



Commander Fox gave us an update on the state of things on Ft. Hood. Fox has worked with lions clubs everywhere he has been stationed and had nothing but good things to say about the Lions Clubs.

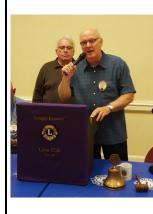
He said that Ft. Hood is the premier training facility in the country and serves over 400,000 people. That number includes active duty, their families and retired personal.

The biggest issue that Ft. Hood faces is age. He explained that all the facilities on base are getting old and need to be either remodeled, or replaced. There are 99 barracks on post and all of them have exceeded standard life span. Same goes for the motor pool and aircraft hangers. Not only are the motor pools old, they were built back when the vehicles were smaller and lighter.

The big announcement for the base is the opening of the new Darnell Hospital. Darnell is going to open this April and will be the most state of the art military hospital in the country. Their plan is to bring back on base all the parents that are currently

being treated off base. Next he talked about housing. Over 6,000 homes are on base and 23% of ac2ve duty families live on base. In 2015 they started a new program where they offered housing to re2rees. He said the response was overwhelming.

In closing he said Ft. Hood is losing over 1,000 soldiers a month.



Gary and George gave us a run down on the annual

Follies show. Sounds like it's going to be great show.