

29 February 2016

Dear Retired National Guard Person:

The 30th Annual Retired Army National Guard Luncheon for the Topeka and surrounding area will be held Wednesday, 6 April 2016, at the Museum of the Kansas National Guard, Forbes Field, Topeka, Kansas. In past years, the attendance has been wonderful, and it has been a great opportunity to get reacquainted with those we associated with during our working years. Attendees are primarily Army military and civilian individuals who worked full-time for the Kansas National Guard in the Topeka area or the Adjutant General Department, but everyone is welcome.

We will meet in the large meeting room starting at 10:30 AM. Lunch will be catered and served at 11:30 AM. The luncheon will be social. We will invite the Adjutant General and the Department Heads (Army and Air) also to attend. If there are speeches, they will be short. Feel free to visit with the invited guests about any concerns you may have. There will also be a brief tribute to those who have passed on.

We are doing things differently this year. Last year, we had over 20 individuals tell us they would be there and then didn't show. Our bank of money took a major hit because we had to pay for all of the box lunches for those people. So, this year, **we are asking you return \$10 for each reservation for lunch.** We will order exactly the number of lunches for which we get money. That also means if you show up the day of the luncheon without having made a reservation, we will be happy to see you; but we can't guarantee there will be a lunch for you to eat. I'm sure everyone understands why we have to make this change. In addition, COL Mat Oleen, Deputy Chief of Staff, JFHQ, has contacted us and is providing a chance for all of us to tour the new JFHQ at Forbes Field. There will be transportation to take us there for the tour about 1:00. The tour will last 60 to 90 minutes. If you are interested in the tour, please indicate on the reservation form, so we can get an idea of the transportation we will need.

Enclosed is the reservation form you will need to return to us with the money for the number of lunches you will eat on 6 April. We will need the forms returned no later than **Friday, 25 March**, so we can finalize arrangements. Please include your e-mail address if you have one, as future communications will be by e-mail. If we do not have an e-mail address for you, and you have not attended in the last three years, we will no longer mail an invitation to you through the U. S. Mail, unless you specifically ask us to continue. If you hear of a retired person who has not been invited, please contact one of the people on the committee to get them added to the list.

If you won't be attending this year, but would like to remain on the U. S. Mail list, please send \$1 to help defray mailing expenses. If you have received this notice by e-mail, there is no need for the \$1.

We sincerely hope to see all of you on the 6th of April!

2016 Committee Members:

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