

Headquarters
11th Air Assault Division
Fort Benning, Georgia
6 January 1965

Dear Mr. Fraser,

Mrs. Knowles and I would like to thank you for your kind invitation to your special weekend of activities on 5 through 7 February honoring Congressman and Mrs. L. Mendel Rivers.

We deeply regret we will be unable to attend because of other commitments. We do, however, want to express our sincere appreciation for inviting us to participate, and to wish you the utmost success on this very special occasion.

Sincerely,

RICHARD T. KNOWLES
Brigadier General, USA
Assistant Division Commander

Mr. Charles E. Fraser
Sea Pines Plantation
Hilton Head Island,
South Carolina

SEA PINES PLANTATION

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA

Dear General Knowles,

We have set aside our resort facilities on Hilton Head Island the weekend of February 5 through 7 for our annual special weekend of social, golf and hunting events, which this year will honor Congressman and Mrs. L. Mendel Rivers on the occasion of his becoming Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee.

The committee on arrangements includes Lt. General Joseph B. Fraser (USANG Ret) of Hinesville, Georgia, who is Chairman; General Alfred W. Pollock (USMC Ret); Mr. G. G. Dowling and Mr. Joab Dowling of Beaufort; and the writer. Sponsors of the event will also include other friends of Congressman and Mrs. Rivers.

Since the number of guests will be strictly limited by our facilities' size, formal invitations will be extended in January only to persons who we know will be able to attend. By this letter, on behalf of the Committee of Arrangements, we would like to extend to you and Mrs. Knowles our cordial invitation to be our guests for this festive weekend event.

In addition to golf on the Sea Pines Championship Golf Course, quail hunting and fishing will be arranged. Special activities are planned for the ladies to help in making the weekend a memorable one for our special guests for the weekend.

Among the persons being invited as our guests will be all of the flag and general officers in command of army, navy, air force, and marine commands in Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina, and an approximately equal number of non-military guests from a variety of fields. Since accommodations for all our guests will be at our William Hilton Inn, the total number attending must be limited to eighty couples.

We hope that you and Mrs. Knowles will be able to join the group for this occasion and look forward to hearing from you in this regard.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Fraser

Brigadier General Richard T. Knowles
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