

MID SOUTHERN ANNUAL REGIONAL REPORT 2009

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What the Chapters have done and are doing for the year 2009 2010

THE **ARCADIA** CHAPTER – membership rolls have been transferred to the Fort Hood Silver Chapter

Accomplishments: Contacted the Passed President and he is consumed with his work and unable to get a WO contact list from Ft Polk to set up a meeting and travel out to Polk. I'm working with CW3 Mike Smith to get a contact list and set up a meeting for me to recruit new members, set up a board and RE-IGNITE the c(coming back from deployment) chapter to active status

Issue: Past President is too busy (CW4 Mr Weston)

Recommendations: Move to FACEBOOK as a recruiting method and advertise information about the chapter and hold quarterly meetings with food. Set up a meeting with the senior Warrant to have all Warrants on site attend for recruiting/membership and re-instate the chapter once the board is recruited and will accept the responsibilities.

THE **NORTH TEXAS** CHAPTER – membership rolls have been transferred to the Fort Hood Silver Chapter

Accomplishments: NONE

Issue: No base or known Army units with a large WO population

Recommendations: Research the issue more to better understand the adequate COA to take

THE **LONE STAR SILVER** Ft Sam Houston Texas CHAPTER –

Accomplishments: Assisted the local community in building wheel chair ramps for the elderly citizens with no wheel chair ramps and improved existing ramps. Made large contribution to a local family that had to move out of their home due to a fire.

Issue: Please continue sending meeting minutes, continue executing membership drives.

Recommendations: Send the regional director the meeting minutes to make a better assessment of chapter events. Start 2010 with concerted effort to do membership drives and at a active duty post and get more retirees involved. Push more members to the annual AMM each year.

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THE **FORT HOOD SILVER** Killeen Texas CHAPTER –

Accomplishments: Hosted the CGs Address to the Warrant Officer on 21 Aug 09 where the Mayor of Killeen Mayor Hancock Proclaimed “Warrant Officer Day 21Aug09” sent CD and pictures to the National office. Over 200 Warrant Officers were on hand during the all day event where CW5 Elder of the WOCC and Deputy Commandant, CW5 Foster of the Reserve Component 915 branch, and past region direct CW5 Candis Martin from Ft Lee Quartermaster School 420A reserve proponent. LTC Rick Lynch spoke to a packed house of WO telling how the USAWOA can better benefit the WO and the community here at Ft Hood. CSM Ciotola address the Warrant Officers of Ft Hood as well, giving his incite of how WO helped his career. CW5(R) Diaz spoke about how the WOA helped him in his business and his computer career. There is a photo of the (3) three Mid So Directors CW3 (P) James E. Davis, CW5 Candis Martin, and CW5(R) Joe Diaz all directors at the same event.

Issue: No Issues still owed an AAR of the CG address to benchmark future events and other chapters in the region.

Recommendations: Implement and coordinate more membership drives at the largest installation in the world. Formulate and dispatch chapter sponsors in the different units across post to track potential and new members with the membership committee. Push more members to the annual AMM each year.

THE **SOONER PLAINS** Ft Sill Oklahoma CHAPTER – Discussed Veterans Home visit and participation in the upcoming CG walk and Food Drive. Several of the Officer attended the CGs address at Ft Hood to get incite on possibly hosting the next CG address to the Warrant Officer. The chapter discussed the Adopt a Highway program for the chapter.

I drove to the Sooner Plains luncheon to install the President Mr Hayes, the Vice President Ms Brown, and the VP of Veterans Affairs Mr Diaz.

Accomplishments: Several of the Officers attended the CGs address at Ft Hood to get incite on possibly hosting the next CG address to the Warrant Officer. Chapter members discussed the Adopt a Highway program for the chapter. Installed new officers to continue the chapter business, there was a big turnout.

Issue: None

Recommendations: Push more members to the annual AMM each year. Good website and is kept up to date. Continue to send chapter minutes to the regional director. Charge the Committee members to execute the matters at hand i.e. Socials, Membership drives, Fundraisers and WOPDs consistently each year. These tenants are the cornerstones of how we care for the Community Squared in Region 4.

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THE ARKANSAS / MISSISSIPPI / NEW MEXICO CHAPTERS

Accomplishments: NONE

Issue: none, no research at this time

Recommendations: Find the closest Military installation and research viability of a chapter.

THE FORT BLISS SUN CITY El Paso Texas CHAPTER –

Accomplishments: Sending minutes from each meeting to the regional director timely; held elections for new board members for October meeting. President is due to PCS EOY to Ft Sill and VP CW3 Keith Wright will become new president of Sun City. President is planning a Fall Masquerade Ball fundraiser

Issue: The Artillery school is there and most Warrant Officers are transients due to PCS across the US.

Recommendations: Seek out the permanent party Warrants and place recruiting sponsors in each unit to increase membership and meeting turn-outs. Orientate the WO that will PCS with the accepting chapters outside the region. Push more members to the annual AMM each year. Develop a website to post local chapter information for quick reference of meeting places and officer.

PROPOSED **ELLINGTON FIELD** – Houston Texas CHAPTER –

Accomplishments: Talking with several Warrant Officers to formulate chapter

Issue: Mostly reserve and mobilized Warrants; need to tap the retired community

Recommendations: Move to FACEBOOK as a recruiting method and advertise information about the chapter and hold quarterly meeting. Set up a meeting with the senior Warrant to have all Warrants on site attend for recruiting/membership/chapter brief in SPR '10

PROPOSED **Capital City** – Austin Texas CHAPTER –

Accomplishments: Talking with TAG Warrant Officer W5 Earnest Metcalf to formulate chapter and populate the chapter with mostly NGB Warrants

Issue: Mostly National Guard Warrants and the TAG will monitor and manage the chapter

Recommendations: Set up a meeting with the TAG and travel to Austin for a recruiting/membership/Chapter brief in SPR '10

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Going forward to 2010 toward the future as Director of the Mid Southern Region Four

Overall, I would like to do a all-out regional membership campaign to increase chapter members and lifetime memberships. I plan to do this by creating new chapters and implementing detailed MEMBERSHIP DRIVES within each of the current chapters.

Furthermore, I would like to see the chapters in the region pool their ideas and develop a ANNUAL CALENDAR to “Block-In” fundraisers, social events, WOPDs and community outreach programs and donations.

I would also like to hold a regional WOPD each year (CG address) and have the surround chapters attend and ask that all chapter board members in each region attend to take back to each chapter a snap shot and overview of the event. This event does several things to the hosting chapter. The CG address to the Warrant officer and Mayors Proclamation at Ft Hood raised several thousand dollars, increased membership, got the local Mayors of the city engaged from the surrounding “COMMUNITIES” and provide a solid WOPD forum made up of senior warrants from various proponents and WOCC.

Lastly, I will strive to coordinate with the chapters to raise membership to a higher level, maximize fundraising opportunities, educate the ever changing Warrant Officer community through WOPD seminars and expand the USAWOA by developing new chapters and nurturing, maintaining and mentoring existing chapters.

I introduce the motto for region four; “Community Squared in Region 4” This means that the community of warrant officers and the community that we live in are combined in efforts to support our family on and off the installations that we have been a part of past, present and future.

Signed “Community Squared in Region 4”
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