



KANSAS COUNCIL OF CHAPTERS  
MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA



MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
5 May 2007 Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

FLINT HILLS CHAPTER, JUNCTION CITY, KS  
JAYHAWK CHAPTER, LAWRENCE, KS  
KAW VALLEY CHAPTER, TOPEKA, KS  
SANTA FE CHAPTER, LEAVENWORTH, KS

SMOKY HILL CHAPTER, SALINA, KS  
SUNFLOWER CHAPTER, JOHNSON COUNTY, KS  
WICHITA CHAPTER, WICHITA, KS

***COUNCIL OFFICERS PRESENT:***

President:	David Kennedy, CWO3, USMC-RET
President Elect:	Richard Keller, LTG, USA-RET
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-President:	Gary LaGrange, COL, USA-RET Not in attendance
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-President:	James S. Cooper, CAPT, USN-RET
Past President:	Robert V. Hadley, COL, AUS-RET Not in attendance
Treasurer:	Francis R. Fanning, Col, USAF-RET
Secretary:	John W. Halladay, COL, AUS-RET
Legislative Liaison Chair:	Hollis B. Logan, Col, USAF-RET
Personal Affairs Chair:	Not appointed
Newsletter/Website Chair:	David Kennedy, CWO3, USMC-RET

***CHAPTER DELEGATES PRESENT:***

Flint Hills Chapter:	Kenneth Steggeman, LTC, USA-RET, President
Jayhawk Chapter:	Michael P. Sullivan, RADM, USN-RET, President James S. Cooper, CAPT, USN-RET, Treasurer John Halladay, COL, AUS-RET, Secretary Jim Henry, CAPT, USNR-RET, Past Council President
KAW Valley Chapter:	Delbert L. Hill, CW5, AUS-RET, President Elect Jack Strukel, Jr., MG, AUS-RET, Past Council President
Santa Fe Chapter:	Mary Goodwin, COL, USA-RET, President Richard Keller, LTG, USA-RET, Past President
Smoky Hill Chapter:	No one present
Sunflower Chapter:	David Kennedy, CWO3, USMC-RET, Past President
Wichita Chapter:	Tony Pimentel, Col, USAF-RET, President

**THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER at 1100 hours, Chapter flags were displayed with the American flag.**

COL Goodwin led in the Pledge of Allegiance and opening prayer. She then proceeded to discuss the Command & General Staff College organization. How Leadership Development doctrine, collective training and lessons learned are applied in the learning process at the College. Through this process they educate and develop leaders for full spectrum joint, interagency and multinational operations; and advance the art and science of the profession of arms in order to support the operational requirements of the Army. See enclosure 2. After the Council meeting, COL (Ret) Lynn Rolf, toured us through the CGSS Center (Lewis & Clark Building), enclosure 6. Tours of the facility are available, contact COL Goodwin and she can arrange.

**Further activities with the Santa Fe Chapter -**

They had a general membership dinner meeting on 20 March 2007 at the Leavenworth Country Club, very well attended to hear MAJ Richard Feltzer, Army Aviation, talk about his tour in Iraq in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He is a student at the US Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth.

They had a Board of Directors meeting on 26 April, discussing the programs for the rest of the year.

- May - Dinner meeting 15 May at the same location as before and the guest speaker to be MS Tracy Wooten, Marketing Director, Munson Army Health Clinic, Fort Leavenworth. She will talk about TRICARE and the clinic's pharmacy.
- July - MAJ Steve Strukel (USA, ret.) will present an update of Army equipment.
- September - LTC Steve Mulcahy (USA, Ret.) will present an identity theft awareness briefing.
- November - Mystery theater

COL Goodwin presented the MOAA JROTC certificate and medal to senior Zach Bailey, Leavenworth HS JROTC program on May 9.

Their newsletter is published and on the website.

As Past President of the Chapter LTG Keller prepared their annual report for MOAA.

They hosted the Council of Chapters at the Armed Forces Insurance Building on Fort Leavenworth.

13 August, the Lewis & Clark facility will open. However, COL Goodwin's staff starts to move into the facility on 18 May.

After the Council meeting, all present WERE invited to take a tour of the Lewis & Clark facility.

**Minutes, 5 March 2007** - Minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report** - Approved as presented with correction to the word Sunflower to read Sunflower.

**Munson Army Hospital - LTC (Ret) Barbara Wright:**

- Enrollment -  
It is mandatory for enrollment if within the zip codes list and eligible for Medicare.
- Advanced access
  - ▶ The medical facilities have picked up and added providers through contracts.
  - ▶ They have been adding more RN's and LPN's to the staff.
- More emphasis put on disease management.
- Preventive services becoming more available, i.e.
  - ▶ Well woman - paps and mamograms
  - ▶ Colonoscopies
  - ▶ PSA
  - ▶ Pneumonia shots - everyone over 65 - High Risk
  - ▶ Optometry appointments
  - ▶ Referrals authorization results, such things as-  
VA - Sleep studies, CT, nuclear Medicine
  - ▶ Results - Electronic records on patients.  
Medication reconciliation and NO Smoking demo provided.
- OHI (Collection of data)
- Pharmacy - 3 Options
  - ▶ MTF - Extended hours and have added pharmacist and techs.
  - ▶ TMOP
  - ▶ Retail
  - ▶ Tier 3 drugs

TRICARE FOR LIFE - Best benefit in the world.

- ▶ Dental program.
- ▶ Medicare Part D

Wounded Warrior Program

- ▶ Medical boards
- ▶ LOD
- ▶ CBHCO - Arkansas

All local - Live with parents at home.

CM/Pueblo and Munson has a website

**Storming the Hill** - CWO Kennedy - See Enclosure 5.

**Joint Council of Chapters meeting with other states** - CWO Kennedy discussed this issue with the Council and there was no real desire at this point from those present to conduct such a joint effort. See Encl 4. Gen Strukel commented that we may be better off to concentrate on a State coalition program.

**Communications Awards - National:** CWO Kennedy accepted the Winner for written newsletter in Category 3. The 2d Runner-Up for electronic newsletter in Category 3 was presented to the Jayhawk Chapter.



CWO Kennedy accepts award for Sunflower Chapter



Shirley Halladay accepts the award for Jayhawk Chapter

**Kansas Council Web Page CWO Kennedy** - Please furnish any up-dates you have for the Web Page, it is as good as the input received from the members.

**Wichita Chapter** - Col Pimentel reported:

- At their March meeting their speaker was their own Chapter Secretary, Maj Walt Nelson, who in his day job works for the Adjutant General on KS emergency actions. He described his team's work in western KS reacting to the devastating winter storms.
- Our April meeting featured National Guard 1Lt Courteny Townsend, who had recently returned from Iraq. She described her duties as a platoon commander leading convoys in Iraq.
- He sat on a JROTC scholarship review board where their Chapter awarded eight scholarships.
- Also in April, he presented MOAA awards to nine JROTC cadets at the Wichita annual award ceremony.
- The Chapter presented a \$50 Savings Bond at McConnell AFB Quarterly Awards banquet.
- They renewed our scholarship commitment with the Wichita Foundation.
- LTG Keller will be the featured speaker for our May meeting.

**Sunflower Chapter** - CWO Kennedy reports for Bud Munson, President:

### FIRST QUARTER

Dinner Programs -

- JANUARY
  - ▶ Installation of Chapter officers by COL Jesse Ramirez, Jr., USAF-R, MOAA National Director of Recruiting and Retention presiding.
  - ▶ Presentation of the MOAA Five Star award for 2005 to CWO Jim Kelly, Sunflower Immediate Past President.
- FEBRUARY
  - ▶ KC Royals baseball preview (and how to attend games free), presentation by Toby Cook, Royals VP for Community Relations.
- MARCH
  - ▶ Overview of area high schools' Junior ROTC programs from our Sunflower member Sheldon Vazquez. Sheldon is a full time JR ROTC instructor at one of the schools.

Chapter's "Give Me 50 Campaign", added 11 new members.

Women's Auxiliary luncheon was held.

### SECOND QUARTER

- Sunflower Chapter volunteers will present leadership medals and certificates to JROTC cadets at Washington High (Bud Munson) and Shawnee Mission West (Jim Kelly).

- \$3,000 scholarship will be given to ROTC Cadet Midshipman Wesley Renard from the University of Kansas.
- Fund raiser tickets will be distributed to members as part of the Chapter fund-raising activities to support the Scholarship fund administered by their Sunflower Foundation.
- The Chapter will participate in the Veterans' Stand Down, 22-23 June.
- New Theatre Dinner in August - Approximately 20 couples to see "Oklahoma".
- No dinner meeting in June.

**Kaw Valley Chapter** - CDR Delbert Hill, President Elect, reports on the following items of interest.

Yearly Meetings

- Oct 06 Meeting – Jess Ramirez, Representative from MOAA National
- Dec 06 Meeting – Christmas program
- Feb 07 Meeting – Valentines musical program
- Apr 07 Meeting – BG Deborah Rose, Air Force and ANG Program. BG Rose is the first Female General Officer in the Kansas National Guard (ANG/ARNG).
- Aug 07 Meeting – Col Dan Welch, will have program on Marine/Navy.
- They have given four (4) JROTC Scholarships this year in the amount of \$700.00 each.
- The KAW Valley Chapter has been invited to participate in the Memorial Day Service at Mount Hope Cemetery in Topeka.
- Oct 07 – KAW Valley Chapter will have a program for the Army. Delbert has the program arranged and LTG Keller will give program on the Army.
- The Chapter is placing emphasis on the "Get 10" Membership program.

**Jayhawk Chapter** - ADM Sullivan reported:

- BG Paul Cohen, National MOAA, gave a good run-down on the programs MOAA is working on for its members.
- MOAA ROTC Awards were presented to the KU ROTC students (Army, Navy/Marine Corp and Air Force) and a MajGen Comfort Scholarship was presented to each service.
- The general meeting will be held on 15 May with Jim Peters presenting the history of Arlington Cemetery.
- The Chapter is working on ways to increase the Comfort Scholarship Foundation.
- Will plan on the Council meeting at Lawrence on 18 August.
- Representative Boyda is to be the speaker on 3 July.

**Flint Hills Chapter** - COL Ken Steggeman reports:

- Champion Trophy - Junction City
- JROTC Scholarship and MOAA JROTC Award presented.
- 9 May Larry Magee, Manhattan Area Manager, will be the speaker for the Chapter.
- Currently they are working on getting Gen Myers in for September meeting.

**Nominating Committee** - COL Bob Hadley was not present, so CAPT Jim Henry will coordinate and provide a report at the next meeting.

**Legislative Affairs Report** - Col Login commented that if everyone was not using the Mail Order Pharmacy, they are losing a bargain. Also, that CWO Kennedy had already stolen his thunder on his report from Storming the Hill.

**Comments from Past Presidents -**

MG Strukel, CAPT Henry and Col Login all pleased to see the Council moving along efficiently under good leadership.

LTG Keller believes action on a Kansas coalition would be very beneficial.

CWO Kennedy -

- Annual Chapter Awards input is due into MOAA National.
- Plans are to attend Santa Fe Trails Chapter meeting on 15 June.

- JROTC needs bolstering - It will pay big dividends on poverty.
- Sen Howard Baker - Leadership Award at Dole Center.

**Third Quarter meeting** - Jayhawk Chapter hosting at the Dole Center, Lawrence, KS, on 18 August 2007. More details TBA.

Meeting Adjourned at 1425 hours.

FOR THE COUNCIL OF CHAPTERS PRESIDENT:

*John W. Halladay*  
JOHN W. HALLADAY  
COL, AUS, Retired  
Secretary

- Encl:
1. Agenda.
  2. Treasurer's Report
  3. Command and General Staff School presentation
  4. Joint Council of Chapters meeting with other states
  5. Storming the Hill – 2007
  6. Command & General Staff College (Lewis & Clark Building)