

NATIONAL COORDINATOR REPORT – January 2009

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I. Staff Listing

NATIONAL COORDINATOR & STAFF

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ANC Prestige:
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ANC Newsletter:
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ANC Arbitration:
Jon O. Noble - ancarbitration@gmail.com

REGIONAL COORDINATORS

SC Regional Coordinator:
Harley Cox - scrc@gmail.com
Elected: April 16, 2008
Term End: April 16, 2010

EC Regional Coordinator:
Jed Stancato - xavier_oconnor@yahoo.com
Elected: May 1, 2007
Term End: May 1, 2009

GL Regional Coordinator:
Ian Ruark - greatlakesregionalcoordinator@gmail.com
Elected: July 13, 2007
Term End: July 13, 2009

NW Regional Coordinator:
Federico Diaz - cam.nwrc@gmail.com
Elected: February 21, 2008
Term End: February 21, 2010

NE Regional Coordinator:
Liz Misamore - ne.regionalcoordinator@gmail.com
Elected: December 30, 2008
Term End: December 30, 2010

SW Regional Coordinator:
Erin Miracle - cam.swrc@gmail.com
Elected: January 27, 2009
Term End: January 27, 2011

SE Regional Coordinator:
Deb Pelletier Clark - whitewynd@yahoo.com
Elected: November 1, 2008
Term End: November 1, 2010

NC Regional Coordinator:
Greg Fitzsimmons – NorthcentralRC@gmail.com
Elected: May 1, 2007
Term End: May 1, 2009

NATIONAL STORYTELLERS

US National Storyteller (NST):
Clint Hauser - uscamnst@gmail.com

ANST Chief of Staff:
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ANST Requiem:
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ANST Lost:
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ANST Awakening:
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ANST Settings:
Mark Lewis – sarcasm2112@gmail.com

ANST Forsaken:
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ANST Rules:
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ANST Troubleshooter:
Ric Connely - ric@ricbyrne.com

II. Summary and Announcements

Charities:

Child's Play

We have completed the May 2008 National Charity Drive (<http://www.childsplaycharity.org/>). I am very pleased to announce that the Camarilla contributed \$3,595.97 to this charity. The prestige awards have been made and can be found here - http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/prestige_light/document.php?id=3071

At this time, the Prestige Awards for the Child's Play Drive are officially closed.

The Machiavellian Moment

We have completed the US National Voter Registration Drive. 10N in the category of Community Service for the month of November 2008 for log purposes. Prestige awards have been issued and can be found here - http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/prestige_light/document.php?id=3273

At this time, the Prestige Awards for the Voter Registration Drive are officially closed

First Book

I'm pleased to announce that the US National Charity Drive for the Month of December 2008 will be a First Book - Literacy drive.

Current tracking:

3,145 Books Donated
\$1,225 Donated

*Ideas for the next US National Charity are being sent to the Regional Coordinator today. If **any member has ideas that they wish to be considered**, please email them directly to pearce@tampabay.rr.com.*

Transfers:

Please remember that membership transfers across regions require both local coordinators, both regional coordinators and my approval.

For ease of tracking please do not entitle your email "transfer" but rather put your name and cam number in the title. That prevents it from getting mixed with 60 other emails of the same title and allows everyone to track and get the transfer through the system in the shortest amount of time. Also please remember that while a national lock or review is not an absolute requirement for a transfer, it's a very good idea so that somewhere down the line you are not looking for records from years back and regions past.

To be absolutely clear, if you move physically to another location (outside your previous chapter/domain/region or nation), or will be out of place for an extended period of time then you have 90 days to begin the transfer process. I will consider approval of transfers no more than 30

days from the physical move date, so that members are not dealing with their membership transfer at the same time that they are dealing with the stress of the actual move but no sooner. This applies to all US members.

Plagiarism:

Copying someone's answers on an ordeal is cheating. People are expelled for Plagiarism every year in schools around the country, and really there is no need to cheat on an open book, no time limit test. When you are caught there will be disciplinary action.

Prestige Reviews

"I'll go up for my next lock/MC review right before [insert major convention name here]".... news flash - everyone else had that same thought. Please remember that your local, regional and national coordinators are volunteers who are donating their free time. Traditionally the busiest times for reviews are immediately preceding USCC and ICC. On average national reviews over 18 logs a month. Considering that the average log consists of 200 individual lines, and takes about 2 hours to complete, that equates to 34 hours for an average month. That's a full work week every month. Peak months can range from 26-30 reviews a month, quickly getting up to 60+ hours.

Prestige Reporting

- A. Donations - please ensure to include what you donate to the organization in your prestige activity report to your coordinator and on your logs. Coordinators, please include this information in your report. We need to ensure that everyone is getting the correct awards for helping out,
- B. List Mods - Remember that there are different reporting requirements for cam-server lists and non-cam-server lists. Please refer to the USMH for each to ensure that they are properly awarded and you have no delays come review time.

Summer 2008 Transportation Prestige

Effective June 16, 2008 through Sept 30, 2008 the following change is in place regarding the organizational service line item of transportation: This ends this month.

Transporting 3+ members (Number to include the driver) to a sanctioned event, 5 per trip with a max of 10 a month, with no set distance requirement. Please remember that 1 trip is there and back from an event. Just an update that we are now back to normal award guidelines for transportation.

National Prestige Review Information:

May 2008 - 24 reviews

Jun 2008 - 17 reviews

Jul 2008 - 17 reviews

August 2008 - 11 reviews

September 2008 - 24 reviews

October 2008 - 23 reviews

November 2008 - 17 reviews

December 2008 - 4 reviews

January 2009 - 17 reviews

Professionalism and Courtesy

A good portion of my time has been spent on conflict resolution between members, disciplinary actions, mediation and investigation. Members should exercise some discretion when calling for appeals. Not every decision that affects you negatively should be appealed. Only those decisions which are clearly incorrect in the way they were made are likely to be reversed. An officer simply exercising her own best judgment in a way other than you feel you would rule, or even differently than her supervising officer, is not grounds to overturn a decision. So long as it is a reasonable course of action, that decision will stand. To appeal a decision, you must submit a letter of appeal within 30 days of the decision to the original officer, the officer(s) to whom the decision is appealed,

and to your direct coordinator.

Members are expected to be courteous and cordial whenever they are not in character. Compliments should be as frequent as possible and criticism should be constructive. Members who have a personal issue with another member have a responsibility to handle it calmly through the dispute resolution procedures. Dishonesty is disrespectful. Members shall be honest in their dealings with other members. Members should avoid spreading information at Camarilla functions and over Camarilla forums that is hurtful to other members, particularly information that is secondhand or potentially incorrect.

Also, if something you are about to do out-of-character, isn't appropriate for where you work or where you go to school, then chances are it's not appropriate within the organization. Everyone will have people at their job or in everyday life that they disagree with. That's a simple fact. However we expect that our members... behave as adults. Even if you disagree with another member it is expected that you can still behave correctly when in social situations. Please remember that the first stage of conflict resolution is to calmly discuss the matter with the other member. If you need to step-back and calm down, use the 24hr rule but remember to discuss with the member next.

Formal Complaints:

Do not exist. They have not been a part of the Camarilla process for almost 5 years now.

Sometimes a member may have a disagreement with another member, or may have concerns about an officer's decision or general performance. The Camarilla offers members ways to voice these concerns and seek resolution in a constructive manner

The following steps can guide you through any interpersonal or organizational disputes between yourself and a fellow member or officer

- The 24-Hour Rule (when necessary)
- Open Discussion
- Mediation
- Formal Hearing
- Appeal (if needed)

Please note that this process is not used simply to object to a specific decision made by an officer of the club, or in cases where you may suspect deliberate unethical behavior. To appeal a specific decision, use the appeals process described in this handbook. If you wish to report specific violations of the rules or club policy, report them to the appropriate officer who will then decide whether to initiate an investigation

Appeals:

>From the USMH - Members should exercise some discretion when calling for appeals. Not every decision that affects you negatively should be appealed. Only those decisions which are clearly incorrect in the way they were made are likely to be reversed. An officer simply exercising her own best judgment in a way other than you feel you would rule, or even differently than her supervising officer, is not grounds to overturn a decision. So long as it is a reasonable course of action, that decision will stand.

Resolutions Passed:

1. Global Communication Policy

There has been a change in the Global Communication Policy - please refer to here <http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq.php?id=183>

2. Requirements for Position

There has been modification of the requirements for officer election - please refer to here
<http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq.php?id=185>

3. Referenda to Remove

There has been a clarification in the Removal Referenda process - please refer to here
<http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq.php?id=182>

4. Referenda for change in the appeals process - formal ratification of peer review process, passed

III. Staff Election Updates

EC RC: All-Call coming soon
NC RC: All-Call coming soon

IV. Questions & Answers

Be sure to check out the online FAQ database at:
<http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq/>

CURRENT QUESTIONS

Q: A domain has some old members returning; they are wondering if they can have their old Camarilla number back instead of the new one that was issued to them. Is this possible? If so, how?

A: [It is possible to have multiple accounts consolidated, contact cam.global.tech@gmail.com](mailto:cam.global.tech@gmail.com)

Q: Do we really have no tax exempt number and no organizational insurance policy?

A: [The organization is not an NPO.](#)

From SW Region:

Problems, Solutions: -From UT014D

Meghan Smith US2003061689 is showing expired in the CRD, she updated her email address in her profile and it changed her expiration date to 2008 instead of 2009. She was showing as paid up through last month when I did my report, but now is showing expired in 9-2008.

A: [Contact cam.global.tech@gmail.com, they can assist with matters involving expiry dates.](mailto:cam.global.tech@gmail.com)

>From AZ010D/AZ016C

Questions: Tithe Of Souls Chapter wants to know the official ruling in the Handbook on having two domains within a smaller geographical area. They would also like to know what steps they need to follow in order to be considered for domain status again.

A: " A domain is a geographic area defined by the Camarilla Council. While most domains are likely to be the size of a mid-sized city (or a few counties in less populated areas), some may be larger or smaller.". Multiple domains in a small area are closely reviewed before approval, but it is not unheard of to occur. The application for domain status can be found here - [http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/documents.php?src=domain_app.html&subject=Domain%20Application with the requirements for consideration.](http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/documents.php?src=domain_app.html&subject=Domain%20Application%20with%20the%20requirements%20for%20consideration)

>From CA069I

Nick Kelley US2002023371 has stated he completed the original NPO Ordeals. However the records for the period he claims he did them in is incomplete. Is there someone I can toss an email off to with his old NPO Cam# to maybe see if this can be hunted down?

A: All of the NPO ordeal records have been uploaded into the USNC database. Does the member have the certificates showing completion? If so contact me with scans of those and I can update the system manually.

LAST MONTHS QUESTIONS

Question: Why do some members have WW Cam numbers?

A. WW numbers are associated with White Wolf Employees or non-US members [Philippines, etc].

Questions: Do you know where it is actually listed that item donations need to be itemized in order for the coordinator to award proper prestige. I have a member (ST) arguing that itemization is not required specifically in the handbook and therefore he doesn't have to provide it. I'd like to provide a reference rather than just saying "do it or else".

A. In the description of the line item "Donating items as part of a Camarilla charity drive" and "Donating needed materials to the Camarilla" it states 1-10 per item its impossible to award based on per item, if you do not know what that item is. If they are not willing to list specifically what was donated, so that you can award a fair amount, then you are within your authority to award nothing. If there are additional questions please direct the member directly to me.

Q: What is the policy for awarding prestige for ones Significant Other for work done or reports sent in? Do they need to be approved by the next higher level in the chain or can one award it themselves?

A: I would recommend it to avoid even the appearance of Conflict of Interest.

Question: We are working on securing a site for a future GoTM. When we talked to the people in charge they asked us about Event Insurance. Is this something that is provided by the club or is it something we have to purchase at a domain level?

A: Contact the NCA - Nikki Hauser - nikki.m.hauser@gmail.com

Questions: Domain requested a name change and voted on changing the name. How do I go about applying that?

A. Send it up to the USNC through your regional officers. Once the RC and RST have approved, I will review. Once approved the CRD can be updated with the new names (the same process should be followed for domain borders)

Q: Does the NC hold office hours on IRC or other location and if so when and where?

A. Not currently, though I am on IRC personally a good bit. It's something we had discussed but scheduling a realistic time fair to all time zones is difficult, if not impossible.

Q: What are the recommendations for box top and pop top charity drives in regards to prestige?

A: Box Top Guideline - <http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq.php?id=180>

Pop Tab Guideline - <http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq.php?id=129>

Q: Where can we find a listing of Regional, National and Recruitment cons planned for 2009 and locations and Dates if known?

A. All cons are detailed at http://camarilla.white-wolf.com//index.php?option=com_content&task=section&id=7&Itemid=53

Q: Archives in the SW Reports list does not go past February 2007. Can this be fixed?

A: This has been corrected per cam.global.tech@gmail.com

Q: Is there a minimum number of members in a chapter to keep it open?

A: No, there is a minimum to form a chapter. It becomes the call of the RC and me to evaluate the functionality of a chapter with less than that amount. If the chapter is functioning, doing charities, reporting, and working on recruiting then typically it is not an issue

Q: The DST/DC/VST/CC have reported that several of them have not received their awards for on time reporting, who can they contact about this?

A: Officers should contact their regional supervising office (STs to RST and Cs to RC). It is from that level which the recommendations are made for on-time reporting awards.

V. Projects

Project status is listed as of the time of this report, not necessarily the first of the month. If you would like to contact a project lead for more details on any of these projects, you can find contact information

for most of them at: <http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/contact.php>

MEMBERSHIP HANDBOOK:

Development has been revived. Woot! Project lead is Pearce Dreadin, NC and Sean Mooney NSA.

UNIFIED EMAIL ADDRESSES:

The domain camarilla.org is unavailable due to legal issues that cannot be resolved without spending more money than it's worth. Another domain name will need to be settled on, but other issues have occupied the Council for the moment. Project lead is Wes Contreras, Global Tech.

OPEN PRESTIGE REVIEWS:

The voluntary national locks have been opened up to include anyone with prestige awards (not counting awards already locked) dating back to **January of 2003** or earlier. Project lead is Pearce Dreadin. USNC

DOMAIN / INDY CHAPTER BOUNDARIES:

In cooperation with regional officers, we are checking to ensure that each and every domain and independent chapter has defined geographic boundaries. The GL, EC, NC, SW and SC regions are complete. NE, NW, and SE are incomplete. New project lead to be determined pending time to properly scope this low-priority project.

MEMBERSHIP PACKETS:

Still processing requests for missing membership packets. If you have not received your packet, see the FAQ at the URL below for more information. Project lead is Sean Mooney, NSA.

<http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq.php?id=3D87>

VI. Upcoming Events

NOIR: Seattle, WA: February 19 – 22 (<http://www.camarillanoir.com/>)

SERE: Atlanta, GA: February 26 – March 1 (<http://www.atlantacamarilla.com/sere2009>)

SCARE: New Orleans, LA: April 16 – 19 (<http://www.scregion.org/SCaRE>)

NCRE: Colorado Springs, CO: June 4 – 7 (website to be announced)

NERE: Windsor Locks, CT: July 15 - 19 (<http://www.jyhad.net/nere>)

ICC: Atlanta, GA: October 29 – November 1 (<http://www.camicc.com/>)

VII. Prestige Awards

The following prestige amounts are hereby awarded and/or confirmed by the US national coordinator. Months with an asterisk (*) are corrections to previously reported amounts.

CAMARILLA COUNCIL:

As delegated by the Club Director based primarily on reporting. These awards are all in the Administration category unless otherwise noted.

Name:	Cam#:	Prestige:
Pearce Dreadin	US2002021645	50N (NC - Dec)
Clint Hauser	US2002021070	50N (NST - Dec)
Sara Hart	US2006098576	40N (NO - Dec)
Nikki Hauser	US2003011029	40N (NCA - Dec)
Chris Herr	US2002022281	40N (NFA - Dec)
Sean Mooney	US2005116923	50N (NSA - Dec)
Pearce Dreadin	US2002021645	50N (NC - Jan)
Clint Hauser	US2002021070	50N (NST - Jan)
Sara Hart	US2006098576	40N (NO - Jan)
Nikki Hauser	US2003011029	40N (NCA - Jan)
Chris Herr	US2002022281	40N (NFA - Jan)
Sean Mooney	US2005116923	40N (NSA - Jan)

(Awards are formulaic – 50N with any report, 40N with no report)

ASSOCIATE NATIONAL COORDINATORS:

These awards are all in the Administration category unless otherwise noted.

Name:	Cam#:	Prestige:
Bert Sanders	US2002021972	20N (ANC: Admin (outgoing) – Jan)
Michael Munene	US2007049853	30N (ANC: Admin (incoming) – Jan)
Jon O. Noble	US2003041492	20N (ANC: Arbitration – Jan)
Linda Ballance	US2002116889	40N (ANC: Chapters – Jan)
Debi Hodges	US2008021874	40N (ANC: Newsletter – Jan)
Sean Mooney	US2005116923	40N (ANC: Prestige – Jan)

OTHER NATIONAL COORDINATOR STAFF:

These awards are all in the Administration category unless otherwise noted.

Name:	Cam#:	Prestige:
Chris Buser	US2002021013	5N 5G (Cam LJ Moderator - Jan)

REGIONAL COORDINATORS:

These awards are all in the Administration category unless otherwise noted. Awards with a * next to the month replace any previous award for that month.

Name:	Cam#:	Prestige:
Harley Cox	US2002021715	0R (SC RC – Jan) *NO REPORT*
Jed Stancato	US2002021727	40R (EC RC – Jan)

(No outstanding issues, on time report received)

Federico Diaz US2004021207 0R (NW RC – Jan) *NO REPORT*

Liz Misamore US2002023691 40R (NE RC – Jan)
(No outstanding issues, on time report received)

Deb Pelletier-Clark US2002022584 50R (SE RC - Jan)
Deb Pelletier-Clark US2002022584 10N (Exc. Serv. - Jan)
(No outstanding issues, early report, 3+ in a row)

Erin Miracle US2003071789 40R (SW RC - Jan)
(No outstanding issues, on time report received)

Ian Ruark US2004122456 50N (GL RC- Jan)
Ian Ruark US2004122456 10N (Exc. Serv. – Jan)
(No outstanding issues, early report, 3+ in a row)

Greg Fitzsimmons US2002034400 50R (NC RC – Jan)
Greg Fitzsimmons US2002034400 10N (Exc. Serv. – Jan)
(No outstanding issues, on time Report, 3+ in a row)

COORD & ST RECOGNITION AWARDS

These awards are all in the Exceptional Service category.

Coordinator should come from local to regional then to me for award

Storyteller should come from local to regional to NST then to the USNC for award

GL:

Christopher Frye US2005063547 12N (Exceptional Service - January)
(On-time reporting DST IL-017-D Aug 2008 - Jan 2009)

David Long US2007070246 12N (Exceptional Service - January)
(On-time reporting DST IN-012-D Aug 2008 - Jan 2009)

Jim Chauvaux US2007029454 12N (Exceptional Service - January)
(On-time reporting DST IN-013-D Aug 2008 - Jan 2009)

Randy Duncan US2005065545 12N (Exceptional Service - January)
(On-time reporting VST Awakening IN-013-D Aug 2008 - Jan 2009)

EC:

NE:

Shuniqua Rodrigues US2002086541 12N On-time reporting award (July - Dec. 2007)

SC:

NC:

NW:

SE:

SW:

Stacie Bullough	US2007080541	12N (on time reporting july08-jan 09)
Ron Edens	US2002034494	12N (On time reporting oct07-jan09)

US NATIONAL NEWSLETTER:

These awards are all in the Publications & PR category unless otherwise noted.

Name:	Cam#:	Prestige:
Matthew Dobson Through the Portal	US2002022023	15N - Photographs: My Magic is Strong, Ghost Flowers and
David Wells	US2008021892	5N - Misconceptions
Shelly Brian	US2002066211	5N - Father
Robert Hodges	US2008021876	10N - Dark Headlines and Awakening (Poem)
Robin Wilson	US2006017091	5N - Does it Really Require that Spell?
Charles Hubbard	US2007121458	8N - The Politics of Power – The Consilium
Will Broderick	US2007060164	5N - Stagecraft 101 – Chairs
Valarie Broderick	US2008011653	5N - The Great Communicator – Agreeing to Disagree
Erica Martinez	US2002021903	8N - Getting Involved - For New Players
John Scott	US2002023603	5N - Trimountaine (A Multi-Part Saga; part 4)

OTHER AWARDS:

These awards are in the category indicated.

Name:	Cam#:	Prestige:
Ian Ruark (Donated Web Space for the Regional Website.)	US2004122456	10R (Comm. Serv. and Web Design - January)
Liz Misamore (Regional Charity Drive – Heifer Project)	US2002023691	10R (Comm. Serv. – January)
Erin Miracle	US2003071789	40G (Admin. – January) DC - CA-022-D Dark Tower

Backdated Prestige:

Kelly Lux Callahan	US2006078155	10R	Community Service	3/08	GOTM 3/08
Kelly Lux Callahan	US2006078155	5R	Storyteller assistance	3/08	GOTM 3/08
Kelly Lux Callahan	US2006078155	10R	Community Service	3/08	GOTM 3/08
Cathy Wallin	US2006098665	20G 20R	Admin	10/08	Prestige Reviewer
Cathy Wallin	US2006098665	20G 20R	Admin	11/08	Prestige Reviewer
Cathy Wallin	US2006098665	20G 20R	Admin	12/08	Prestige Reviewer
Cathy Wallin	US2006098665	5R	Admin	12/08	Prestige Reviewer - Exceptional Service
EC RC Report:					
Walter Holt	US2002022592	40G	Admin	08/2008	VST - Requiem (IRC Venue)

SE RC Report:

Charlyne Lees US2007059972 10R Website work for ARST Requiem - December 2008

2008 3rd Quarter - Regional Clothing Drive Part 4 September 2008
 Atkins, Nathan US2008113159 30R 75 items of clothing

SE Regional online mIRC meeting December 1, 2008
 Seth Adams US2002022898 3R

NE RC Report:

Jenn Eiland US2002023825 20R PA: List Tracker (December 2008)
 Forgot to put this in the Dec. report

SW RC Report:

Wendy Rutherford US2002021295 25R – Hugs Across America (Backdated from Oct08)

VIII. Regional Chapter/Domain Status

The following is a breakdown of Chapters and Domains by Region:

US-EC - R:	7 Independent Created: 6	9 Chapters Closed: 0	18 Domains
US-GL - R:	2 Independent Created: 0	2 Chapters Closed: 0	21 Domains
US-NC - R:	5 Independent	6 Chapters	8 Domains

	Created: 0	Closed: 1	
US-NE - R:	4 Independent Created: 0	0 Chapter Closed: 0	11 Domains
US-NW - R:	1 Independent Created: 2	14 Chapters Closed: 3	11 Domains
US-SC - R:	2 Independent Created: 0	4 Chapters Closed: 0	21 Domains
US-SE - R:	7 Independent Created: 0	4 Chapters Closed: 0	27 Domains
US-SW - R:	2 Independent Created: 1	14 Chapters Closed: 2	17 Domains

IX. Problems & Issues

[Edited]