

US National Coordinators Report
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I. Staff Listing

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EC Regional Coordinator: (4/05)
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GL Regional Coordinator: (5/05)
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NW Regional Coordinator: (2/05)
Tony Mungo, jaress@comcast.net

NE Regional Coordinator: (10/06)
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SW Regional Coordinator: (2/06)
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SE Regional Coordinator: (10/06)
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ARBITRATION BOARD

ANC Arbitration:
Josh Humble, vanquishedart@gmail.com

NW Arbitrator: (12/06)
OPEN

SW Arbitrator: (10/06)
Timothy Brown, kromstone@hotmail.com

NC Arbitrator: (6/06)
Bryan Blalack, bblalack@cox.net

SC Arbitrator: (0/0)
OPEN

GL Arbitrator: (10/05)
Angela Levesque, anglaw76@yahoo.com

NE Arbitrator: (6/06)
Derrick Burbee, derrickburbee@yahoo.com

EC Arbitrator: (12/04) (election pending)
Kevin Garrett, fire.ant@verizon.net

SE Arbitrator: (12/04) (election pending)
George Chance, george66@gmail.com

II. Summary

ICC was awesome, of course. Lots of good planning and discussion, and lots of work that I had to do when I got back. Needless to say, the

last month has been extremely busy, but at least it's been productive. Job descriptions are going well, the Handbook is moving along (though slowly this month), and we're keeping up on most things.

III. Staff Election Updates

Currently collecting votes for the NW Arbitration Board representative with the voting period ending on 10/24.

SC, EC, SE Arb board elections about to be announced. Planned end for election 12/31/06 at latest.

Next RC election will be NW. Will start the call in mid-December for that.

Congratulations to Dominick Ciraco for winning the NE RC election.

Congratulations to Deb Pelletier Clark for winning the SE RC election.

IV. Questions & Answers

Be sure to check out the online FAQ database at:

<http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq/>

THIS MONTHS QUESTIONS

Q: Can the *ST in an investigation prevent the member from holding any ST office as part of a disciplinary action? Can they if they have the backing of the *C or if was a joint investigation?

A: The Handbook does not provide a storyteller with the authority to suspend someone from holding office. A coordinator may issue that disciplinary action as a partial suspension from Camarilla activities.

Q: It is expected that those with a higher MC are expected to represent their MC level. What are the expatiations for levels of MC or are they left open to individual interpitation. If someone is not upholding the expectations of their MC can they have their MC removed or prestige stripped?

A: The higher one's member class, the more one is expected to act as a leader, maintain a positive attitude, and set a higher standard of

ethics and responsibility. This does involve some individual evaluation and discretion on the part of the coordinators in the chain, subject to oversight and appeal of course. If a member fails to meet those standards, the coordinator chain should work with them to correct that. If this is not possible, then the approval for their MC can be withdrawn.

Q: What is the Coordinator Recognition award from National and how do I get it?

A: Coordinators (and storytellers) who submit six monthly reports in a row which are both on time and complete receive an extra award of 12 national prestige. Note that reports should have accurate data, including membership numbers and expiration dates, in order to be complete.

The ANC: Chapters tracks coordinator reports and submits a list of those earning this award each month for inclusion in the US NC report. Questions about how the storyteller recognition awards are tracked should be directed to the ST chain. Both awards are also added to the prestige database at:

http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/prestige_light/index.php?cat=76

Q: As a coordinator, how should I be handling expired members?

A: First, you should be tracking the expiration dates of your members so that you know when they expire. When they get close to their expiration date, remind them to renew so that they can get early renewal prestige. When they are expired, remind them that they need to renew in order to continue playing. After a couple of reminders, they should no longer be able to participate in Camarilla activities. Show some leeway for those who are working towards renewing, and help anyone having technical issues find solutions, but be diligent about keeping membership benefits for current members.

LAST MONTHS QUESTIONS

Q: Is there somewhere we can get the official version of how chapters and domains are color coded (Black through Green)?

A: This information is included in the ANC Job Descriptions document currently available in the Files section of the CRD.

Q: Does there need to be a coordinator present for a game to be sanctioned?

A: <http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq.php?id=47>

Q: Do trial members get a vote in a D* level election or counted in totals for R* or higher levels?

A: No. Trial members have no impact on elections.

Q: Are there new coordinator report templates?

A: The current coordinator report templates are available in the Files section of the CRD. They have not changed in quite some time now.

Q: What does the NC like to drink?

A: I definitely favor premium vodka. My favorite so far is Belvedere, though Medoyeff is giving it a run for its money.

Q: Why is it that regions are only allowed one regional event every 2 years and is there any way that can change this policy?

A: Attendance at regional conventions was trending downward, and it was determined that having too many events to choose from was part of the reason for that. Cutting down the number of regional events was, in essence, a financial decision by White Wolf in order to minimize the risk of losing a bunch of money due to failed events.

Q: What all can a region use regional funds for? Can they be used in support of feature game or to help defer costs for such events? Or are regional fund only useable for the one official regional event that WW has allowed each region to have every 2 years?

A: Within reason, regional funds can be used for just about anything in support of the region. We definitely don't want to see any region fall below what they need in seed money for the next regional event, but doing other things with the money is generally OK. For details, talk to Chris Herr, the National Finance Administrator, at camfinance@white-wolf.com.

Q: Is there a way to see all of the assigned members in a chapter/domain in the CRD? This to include the expired and former temp members that are attached to a chapter/domain but have been expired for 3+ months. Maybe reports function that the Coords can call up to help track down expired members that are attached just no longer listed?

A: This feature has now been added to the CRD due to popular request.

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:

Drafting of the new Membership Handbook is proceeding, though we have reached the more difficult sections. If you have comments or suggestions, contact one of your regional or national officers, including myself.

Revised (post-ICC) target for completion of a first draft is Jan 15.

Project lead is Wes Contreras, NC.

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, NC.

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 any time in 2001. Project lead is Pearce Dreadin, ANC: Prestige.

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 Jamie Homampour, NSA.

<http://camarilla.white-wolf.com/usnc/faq.php?id=87>

CRD DATA UPDATES:

A major effort is underway to update the CRD data based on chapter and domain reports. The target to complete this project is Jan 1, 2007.

Project lead is Owen Sutter, ANC: CRD.

REGIONAL PERFORMANCE CHECKUP:

I am checking into the administrative performance of several aspects of the regional staffs. The focus for the past month has been on CRD maintenance, again with significant improvements being made. Project lead is Wes Contreras, NC.

JOB DESCRIPTIONS:

Formal and detailed job descriptions have been drafted for all ANC positions, with the current document posted in the Files section of the CRD. Regional coordinators are being asked to do the same for their ARC staffs as well. Project lead is Wes Contreras, NC.

RECRUITING MATERIALS:

The US will hopefully be gathering recruitment materials such as flyers, brochures, and so forth in order to help local groups with their own recruiting efforts. As soon as the scope of the project and the approvals workflow are approved by the club director, we will call for materials submissions.

VI. Upcoming Events

While several conventions are in the works, none have concrete dates to announce yet.

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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:
Wes Contreras US2002022038 50n (NC - Sept)
David Bounds US2002021593 50n (NST - Sept)
Jamie Reza Homampour US2002021394 50n (NSA - Sept)
Chris Buser US2002021013 40n (NO - Sept)
D Beutel US2002021539 40n (NCA - Sept)
Chris Herr US2002022281 40n (NFA - Sept)
(Awards for Oct will be in next month's report)

ASSOCIATE NATIONAL COORDINATORS:

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

Name: Cam#: Prestige:
Liz Misamore US2002023691 30n (ANC: Chapters - Oct)
Bert Sanders US2002021972 40n (ANC: Admin - Oct)
Jesse Daniel US2002022102 30n (ANC: Arbitration - Oct) outgoing
Josh Humble US2002023853 30n (ANC: Arbitration - Oct) incoming
Pearce Dreadin US2002021645 50n (ANC: Prestige - Oct)
Owen Sutter US2005096569 40n (ANC: CRD - Oct)

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 - Oct)

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:
Howell Herrin US2002034609 30r (SC RC - Sep*)
Howell Herrin US2002034609 25r (SC RC - Oct)
(No outstanding issues, no report, 65 unassigned members in CRD)

Jed Stancato US2002021727 40r (EC RC - Oct)
(No outstanding issues, on time report, 93 unassigned members in CRD)

Tony Mungo US2002021843 40r (NW RC - Oct)
(Many outstanding issues, on time report)

Tara Crawford US2002022873 40r (outgoing NE RC - Oct)
(No outstanding issues, most of October, no report needed)

Dominick Ciraco US2002034109 20r (incoming NE RC - Oct)
Dominick Ciraco US2002034109 10n (Exc Srv - Oct)
(No outstanding issues, a few days of October, on time report,
plus exceptional CRD work)

Scott Smith US2003031385 30r (outgoing NC RC - Oct)
(Several outstanding issues, no report needed)

Deb Pelletier-Clark US2002022584 20r (incoming SE RC - Oct)
Deb Pelletier-Clark US2002022584 10n (Exc Srv - Oct)
(No outstanding issues, a few days of October, on time report,
plus exceptional CRD work)

Kara Swenson US2002021550 40r (SW RC - Oct)
(No outstanding issues, on time report, 108 unassigned members in CRD)

Dennis Byron US2002021531 45r (GL RC - Oct)
(No outstanding issues, on time report, 67 unassigned members in CRD)

ARBITRATION BOARD:

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

Name:	Cam#:	Prestige:
Timothy Brown	US2002021318	30n (SW rep – Oct)
Kevin Garrett	US2002022287	10n (EC Rep - Oct)
George Chance	US2002021169	30n (SE Rep - Oct)
Angela Levesque	US2002022545	30n (GL Rep - Oct)
Bryan Blalack	US2002021545	20n (NC Rep - Oct)
Derrick Burbee	US2002022150	30n (NE Rep - Oct)

COORD & ST RECOGNITION AWARDS

These awards are all in the Exceptional Service category.

Name: Cam#: Prestige:
(no ANC Chapters report will include in next month)

US NATIONAL NEWSLETTER:

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

Name:	Cam#:	Prestige:
Eric Chronister	US2006068076	10n (Article)

Harley Herrin US2003011120 10n (Article)
Kyle Haines US2002034211 10n (Article)
Michelle Rogers US2002021047 10n (Article)
Dineh Torres US2002021454 20n (Editor)

OTHER AWARDS:

These awards are in the category indicated.

Name: Cam#: Prestige:
Amy Osborne US2002021654 10n (Comm Srv - Sep)
(Donation of Stamps)

Sara Stancato US2005075731 35g (Admin - Oct)
(CC of OH-014-I, late report; confirmed from RC report)

Sara Stancato US2005075731 5r (Org Srv - Oct)
(Regional meeting; confirmed from RC report)

VIII. Regional Chapter/Domain Status

(Last months totals no ANC Chapters report with updated totals)

EAST CENTRAL

Indy chapters: 7
Chapters: 7
Domains: 17

GREAT LAKES

Indy chapters: 6
Chapters: 1
Domains: 14

NORTH CENTRAL

Indy chapters: 0
Chapters: 7
Domains: 9

NORTHEAST

Indy chapters: 2
Chapters: 2
Domains: 11

NORTHWEST

Indy chapters: 1
Chapters: 16
Domains: 11

SOUTH CENTRAL

Indy chapters: 0
Chapters: 9
Domains: 20

SOUTHEAST

Indy chapters: 5
Chapters: 3
Domains: 22

SOUTHWEST

Indy chapters: 2
Chapters: 12
Domains: 19

TOTAL

Indy chapters: 24
Chapters: 57
Domains: 123

IX. Problems & Issues

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