



**SERGEANT AUDIE MURPHY CLUB
"ROCK OF THE MARNE" CHAPTER
FORT STEWART, GEORGIA 31314**

18 March 2014

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Sergeant Audie Murphy Club General Membership Meeting – March

1. The meeting convened at 1205 on 18 March 2014 at the ECR, Building 1, Ft Stewart, Georgia.
2. The following governing council and advisory board members were present:
 - a. President: SFC Spencer (*TDY*)
 - b. Vice President: SFC White
 - c. Secretary: SFC Kirven
 - d. Treasurer: 1SG Miller
 - e. PAO: SSG Johnson
 - f. Historian: SFC Taylor
 - g. Advisors: None Present

Included were members as indicated on the Secretary's Register Log for record.

3. Chapter strength is currently 74 members, with 1 member deployed.
4. The minutes from the February 2014 general member meeting were addressed and affirmed.
5. Treasurer's Report as of:
 - a. Current balance: \$2,983.36 in account.
 - b. Annual dues are \$50 and are due to the Treasurer.
6. Ongoing Projects:
 - a. SAMC Polo Shirts/Tshirts/Decals Project Manager: 1SG Miller

Details: SAMC Polo shirt is navy blue with custom embroidery of SAMC logo, ROTM Chapter, Rank and last name; price is \$20. Options and prices for PT shirts are currently being worked, shirt will be powder blue moisture wicking with a small SAMA graphic on the front left breast and a large SAMC Crest on the back, female sizes are also available; Price will be \$20. New shirts have been procured from an alternate vendor however, none on hand for presentation during the meeting. Plans are in place for presentation during the March meeting.

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- b. SAMC Monthly Meeting NCODP Project Manager: All Members

Details: The club will conduct small NCODPs at the conclusion of each monthly meeting to promote NCO awareness of changes to Army policy and doctrine. The discussion should be NLT 15 minutes in length. An FY schedule of topics will be published by SFC Gold for volunteers. Update: NCODP is still currently on hold as a clubs short term focus in the SAMC ball. Members are still encouraged to facilitate study groups within their respective BDE footprint for interested candidates.

7. Old Business:

- a. Arlington Visit Project Manager: SFC Gold/SSG Simmington

Details: ROTM SAMC is looking into a visit to the grave of Audie Murphy at Arlington. SFC Gold has priced bus charters at approximately \$900 for the trip. The club is looking at making this a 2 day trip (over a weekend) in the fall of 2014. The chapter will explore more possibilities for tours and opportunities for education of the club on the trip. We will look into a group booking rate at Ft Belvoir for room pricing and contact the White House Transportation Agency for tours available. Also discussed was opening it up to other chapters to get a mass event for SAMC members to participate in. No new update.

- b. SAMC Scholarship Ball Project Manager: SFC White

Details: The club will host a ball. The date is 20 June 2014. The price per ticket is \$45, with \$5 of every ticket sold going to the SAMC Scholarship Fund. SFC Gernandt made contact with the scholarship committee leader, Ms. Linda Smith at 1st Command. They are willing to match any funds raised for the ROTM SAMC Scholarship, doubling the scholarship value. The Fort Gordon and Fort Benning SAMC Chapters will be invited to the event as well as Fort Stewart Soldiers. CSM Watson has agreed to be the guest speaker. The ball committee will meet each Friday at 1315 at the 1st ABCT, BOC. Tickets on sale now, with SFC Flowers being the POC. We need all members support in selling the 500 tickets. SFC Flowers will be leaving for school next week, and SFC Taylor will continue to facilitate ticket issue to members for sale.

Volunteer Committee: SFC Taylor, MSG Hughes, SFC Flowers, SFC Gold, SFC White and SSG Johnson, SFC Spencer

- c. Bluffton JROTC Competition Project Manager: SFC Spencer

Details: 3ID COMREL Chief (MAJ Hammond) contacted us regarding supporting the Bluffton JROTC Competition on 11April2014 (Friday). Five high schools will be participating and the events include: Drill & Ceremony, Academics, Rope Bridge, APFT, Litter Carry Relay, Logistics Relay, and a Truck Pull. They need 25-30 judges for the event. All volunteers will receive any email distribution on the event up until the day of execution.

Volunteers: SFC Simmington, CSM Harris, CSM Ledesma, 1SG Hankins, SFC Larson, 1SG Sanford, SFC Kirven, SFC Jones, SSG Riddick, SFC Spencer, 1SG Saimbert, SSG Williams, 1SG Crawford

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- d. Induction Ceremony POC: SFC Spencer

Details: Induction Ceremony conducted on 14MAR14 at 1300 at Woodruff Theater.

Action: Conduct SAMA Induction Ceremony for Soldiers of 3ID

Sustainment: Over 100% success of the event, met timeline as prescribed by M7, facilitated seamless execution of awards, programs and VIP's, all cues/marks were hit by all involved

Improvement: Conduct "Induction Run" the day prior to event, have maximum participation at IPR's to ensure all areas of M7 intent are met by everyone involved in the event, have video/slideshow playing prior to start of ceremony, spouse escorts

Inductees: SGT Brice (92nd EN BN), SSG Green (3SB), SSG Cannon (4IBCT)-Emergency Leave, SFC Beard (4IBCT), SFC Stephens (4IBCT)

- f. 3rd Quarter Division SAMA Board POC: SFC Spencer

Details: Board will be held on 2APR14. The MOI was distributed with changes to the subject areas. Continue to seek out potential candidates and prepare them for the upcoming boards. Identified candidate(s) to attend up to this point: SSG Whaley-4IBCT.

- g. Carwash Fundraiser – 1 March 2014 Project Manager: SFC Spencer

Details: The club conducted a car wash fundraiser ISO raising money to cover incidental expenses of the SAMC Ball. Over 20 members supported the event and brought supplies to support the endeavor. We raised \$1012.00 in total in the 4 hour car wash. A great thank you to HHC, 3-15, for all their support!

Participants: SFC Kirven, SFC Jones, SGT Brice, SFC Osby, 1SG Vernon, 1SG Miller, SFC Jonas, SFC Sylla, SFC Spencer, MSG Hughes, SFC Taylor D., SFC Taylor K., SSG Cannon, SSG Coyle, 1SG Crawford, MSG Weeks, 1SG Matias, SSG Green, CSM Lester, SSG Riddick

Volunteers: SFC McLaughlin, SSG Carter, SSG Jarvis, SSG Spencer

8. New Business:

- a. Annual Governing Council Elections

Details: per the club bylaws, governing council elections will be conducted at the April meeting. All positions are up for election, nominations will be made and elections will be held at the start of the meeting. Max attendance is requested.

- b. Run for the Heros/Run Across Georgia Donation POC: 1SG Matias

Details: 1SG Matias will bring for vote sponsoring a team with a monetary donation for the Run for the Hero's/Run Across Georgia ISO House for Hero's with all proceeds going towards providing assistance to military veterans and public safety personnel for home repairs, maintenance, and improvements at no cost. 1SG Matias was not present at the meeting for update.

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c. Monthly Meeting Rotation

POC: SFC Flowers

Details: SFC Flowers will bring for vote the idea of rotating the monthly meetings with them being sponsored by the various BDE DFAC's within FSGA/HAAF. This will serve multiple purposes. Initially, to promote comradery within the organization over lunch, and also the ability to "be seen" which will entice membership.

d. DCSM Change of Responsibility

POC: SFC Kirven

Details: The SAMC has been tasked by Division to provide 2 SAMA members to present roses to the incoming/outgoing spouses of the DCSM at Cotrill Field on 4 April 2014. Maximum participation of the club is requested to attend the ceremony. *Uniform*: ACU's with medallion.

Volunteers: SFC Gold, SSG Green

9. Upcoming Events:

- a. 3rd QTR Division SAMA Board – 2 April 2014
- b. Bluffton JROTC Competition – 11 April 2014
- c. WLC Graduation – 16 April 2014
- d. SAMC Scholarship Ball – 20 June 2014
- e. Arlington Trip – September (Tentative)
- f. 4th QTR Division SAMA Board – 20 August 2014

10. **Next meeting will be held Wednesday 16 April 2014 at 1200, in the ECR, Building 1, Ft Stewart, Georgia.**

11. Notes and Comments: As always, thank you to all the members for the hard work and dedication to our club and the communities we support.

12. With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1246 with members returning to their places of duty.

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KARL W. KIRVEN JR.
SFC, USA
SECRETARY, ROTM SAMC

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Members in attendance not listed above:

1SG Saimbert
SGT Brice
SFC Simmington
SSG Shelton
1SG Vernon
SFC Flowers
SSG Green
SFC Biglin
1SG Hudgins
SFC Taylor
1SG Crawford

Guests in Attendance:

SSG Whaley (Candidate)