

**Warrant
Officers
Heritage
Foundation**

Founded July 9, 2003

A Non-Profit 501 (c) (3) Public Charity

**Preserving the history and heritage
of the Army Warrant Officer**

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Good afternoon. I am Dave Welsh, the President of the Warrant Officers Heritage Foundation.

The Foundation was established during the summer of 2003.

We are dedicated to preserving the long and rich history of the Army Warrant Officer.

The Foundation is incorporated in the Commonwealth of Virginia and received it's final IRS determination as a Non-Profit 501 (c) (3) Public Charity in April 2008.

All donations, bequests, and grants are tax-deductible within the limits allowed by law.

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The current Directors, Corporate Officers, and Staff are shown on this slide.

Four External Directors perform oversight of the Corporate Officers, who are also members of the Board, and who execute the day-to-day operations of the Foundation.

All the Directors and Corporate Officers continue to serve without compensation.

We are sure that you recognize many of the names on this slide.

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Goals and Objectives

- **Warrant Officer History Book**
- **Memorial to Fallen Warrant Officers**
- **Warrant Officer Historical Exhibit**
- **Internal & External Exposure**
- **Online living Warrant Officer History**
- **WO Historical Presentation**
- **Fund Raising**

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The Foundation's Goals and Objectives are shown of this slide:

- WARRANT The Legacy of Leadership as a Warrant Officer was published and release in December 2006. Copies of the history book have also been presented to USAWOA, CWO & WO Association of the USCG, Army Historical Foundation, and Program Manager's Office of the National Museum of the U. S. Army for their historical libraries. A few books remain available for purchase. During the AMM we are holding a fund-raising raffle for copy of the book. Tickets are available at our table in the exhibit & memorabilia area. They are \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. Buy one or more tickets and support your Foundation.

- The Memorial to Fallen WO and WO Historical Exhibit will be further discussed when we go to the next slide.

- In the area of exposure, an 8-page feature 90th Birthday of the WO article was published in ON POINT - The Journal of Army History published by the Army Historical Foundation, and other 90th Birthday articles appeared the "Quad A" magazine, THE OFFICER published by ROA, and other military professional magazines.

- An online living history of the Army WO History is posted on our web site. It is constantly updated with additional materials. We are very thankful to the many folks who have contributed material for the history.

- A future goal is to provide the Army Warrant Officer History in some portable form for use at Professional Development sessions and/or other events.

- Fund raising is critical to achieve the Foundation goals!

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National Museum of the U.S. Army

- **Memorial to Fallen Warrant Officers**
- **100th Birthday of Army WO Exhibit**
- **Selected WO Oral Biographies**
- **Warrant Officer Historical Videos**
- **Warrant Officer History Book**
- **Assist in providing WO artifacts**
- **Display of "LET GO!" print**

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The items shown on this slide continue to be worked for WO exposure at the planned National Museum of the U. S. Army on Fort Belvoir, VA.

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Memorial to Fallen WO

REGION	GOAL	PLEDGE	DONATE
European	\$1,750	\$250	\$1,150
Western	\$4,000	\$250	\$,1,100
Mid-Northern	\$3,250		\$1,500
Mid-Southern	\$1,500		\$500
Southeastern	\$2,750		\$900
Northeastern	\$3,500		\$1,500
TOTALS	\$16,750	\$500	\$6,300

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The 35th AMM last year issued a challenge to each USAWOA Chapter to donate \$250 to the Foundation towards construction of a Memorial to Fallen WO planned for the National Museum of the U. S. Army. Also last year, Barbara Carpenter made her annual \$100 donation and challenged other members to follow her lead.

- This slide shows the progress up until the start of this 36th USAWOA AMM here in Aberdeen MD. Please note that the European Region graciously donated \$350 in addition to their Chapter's donations. Other exemplary donations included \$650 from the Show Me, \$500 from the Rhein Neckar Silver. \$400 from the Bragg Silver Chapters. Individual donations of note included an undisclosed but generous amount by the "Woodruff Brothers" - Don aka "Woody" and his twin brother Ron, a former USN CW4 & USAWOA Associate Life Member, \$500 from Candy & Ed Martin, \$300 from Charles Dowd, \$255 from Eddie & Betty Mallard, \$250 from Bernie Adams, and \$250 from Joseph Cieslewicz. For a complete list of Donors to include the \$100 Challenge Donations go to our web site and click on "Donor List." These donations plus donations received from individuals netted a total of \$9,035 for this calendar year up to the start of the 36th AMM.

- As of October 9, 2008 the Foundation has some \$28,000 in the bank against a goal of \$32,000. We feel that this is a great accomplishment considering OPTEMPO, deployments, unit re-stationing, and the economy. We thank each and every donor for their support!

- Our goal for the upcoming year will be to negotiate the form, design, and/or style of the Memorial to Our Fallen Warrant Officer Comrades with the Army Historical Foundation and the National Museum Project Office.

How You Can Support Us!

- **Donations to the Foundation via the USAWOA Home Office.**
- **Donation on USAWOA Renewal.**
- **Purchase a History Book.**
- **Tell our story at Chapter Meetings.**
- **Tell non-member Warrants about us.**
- **Consider a bequest in your will.**

*** All donations are tax-deductible! ***

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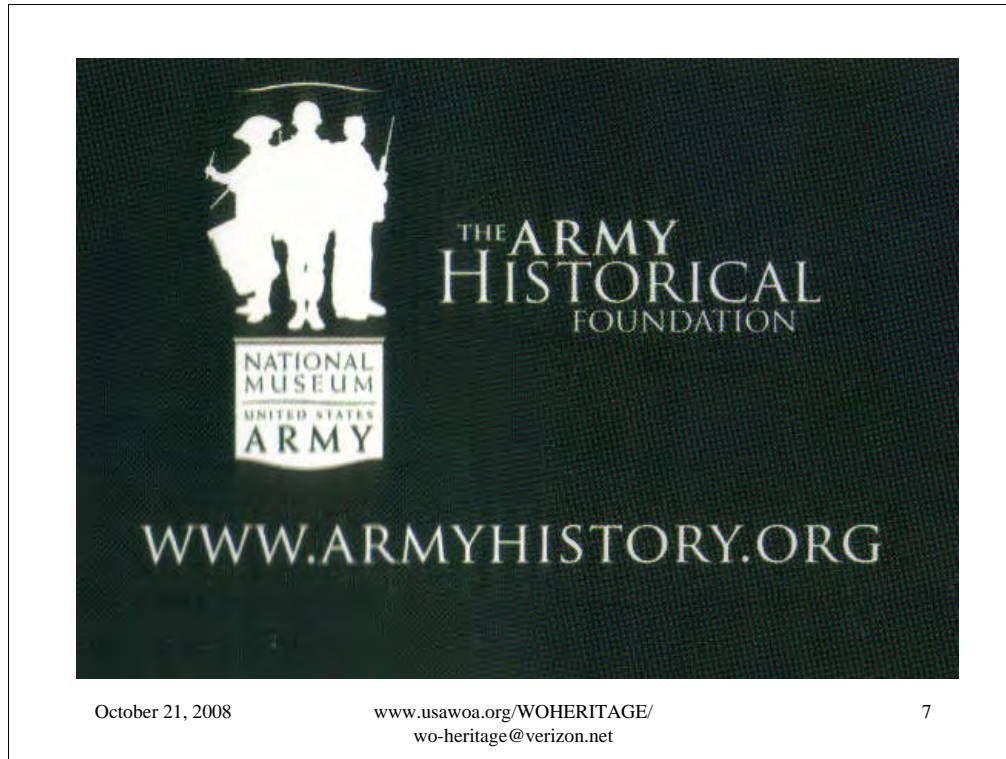
This slide says how you, as a Warrant Officer, can support the Foundation's goals and projects! (Pause)

- If you have questions, comments, or want to purchase a History Book please visit the Foundation's Table in the memorabilia and exhibit area during one of the breaks. If you would like to make a personal or Chapter donation please do not interrupt the USAWOA business meetings to make donations but rather bring it to us in the Exhibit area. We will recognize donations made here at the 36th AMM on Friday afternoon.

- An example of outstanding support is the Hampton Roads Chapter efforts by both USAWOA members & non-members) to support a permanent display in Casemate Museum at Fort Monroe based on the origins of the WO in the Mine Planter Service of the Coast Artillery Corps. Planning for dedication of display and a WO Corps Birthday event on 9 Jul 2009.

- Thank you for listening and for your support to date. We also thank you in advance for your future support!

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The National Museum of the United States Army is a joint public-private partnership between the United States Army and the Army Historical Foundation.

The Army Historical Foundation, established in 1983, is a charitable 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the history and heritage of the American Soldier who has played a major role in our nation's development and success. Its goal is to promote greater awareness and public appreciation for the contributions that America Army—Active, Reserve and National Guard—has made to the nation over 232 years of service.

Since the September 2000 Memorandum of Agreement with Department of the Army, the Army Historical Foundation serves as the official fundraising entity for the National Museum of the United States Army.

View their work to date and the progress on the National Museum of the U. S. Army at www.armyhistory.org.