

**WESTERN REGION**  
**State of the Region – November of 2010**

**Slide #1**

**Good Morning**

**Mr. President, Members and Guests**

**It is great to be a Warrant Officer and be part of the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Huntsville, Alabama!**

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**From The Rocky Mountains to the Pacific Ocean  
Across the Pacific and throughout the Pacific Rim  
From Alaska to the Mexican Border. We are the Western Region!**

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**THE WESTERN REGION TEAM!**

**Director: CW5 (Ret) Russell G. Brewer**  
**Deputy Director: CW4 (Ret) Harry C. Wilson, Jr**

**Slide #5 and #6**

**The OPTEMPO for the operations in Afghanistan and Iraq has caused major challenges to our entire Chapters World Wide. We are having trouble with communications with members being mobilized and not renewing their membership. Some of them have emailed us to say they will renew when they return from mobilization.**

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**WESTERN REGION GOALS**

**Mine and Harry's goal was to get five (5) new chapters by 2010. We have at this time three new chapters working. We have three more in the process and that will exceed our goal.**

**We have at the present time twenty (20) active chapters and three (3) working.**

**We now have at least one chapter in each of our regions.**

**If we were to try and visit all of the chapters in the Western Region, we would need a large budget! The locations of these chapters range from the Rocky Mountains to the Pacific Ocean across the Pacific and throughout the Pacific Rim and from Alaska to the Mexican Border.**

Our strength at this time one thousand and seventeen (1017); These numbers are not what we wanted them to be but we are working hard to improve them and hopefully the changes we will make this coming year will increase our numbers.

The goal to reduce non-affiliated members is still in the works at the present time. I sent a letter to all Presidents in the Western Region to get in contact with all non-affiliated Warrant Officers in their chapter to fill out a new application to join the United States Army Warrant Officer Association to change their chapter affiliation and send it in to the National Office at no charge to the individual. I have been notified that several individuals have already sent in their applications.

It is imperative that all chapters get their minutes in to National Headquarters in a timely manner.

We are in the process of setting up a program that I am sure will increase our numbers, plus get our WO1's to renew their membership beyond the free one year and increase our senior warrant officer membership. We have talked to some of our chapters and they believe it will work.

We want to bring in more Senior Warrant Officers to mentor the Junior Warrant Officers.

It is also one of our goals to get more Junior Warrant Officers run for elected positions and to get appointed on more committees.

We would like the chapters to find a way to include families in their chapter meetings.

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##### REGIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Per minutes report received from National Headquarters August 16, 2010, the first annual award of \$100.00 for getting Chapters minutes in to headquarters in a timely manner is going to the Northwest Region. They got their minutes in every month from January to September 2010

#### Slide #10

This slide is an overview of where the Western Region stands today. As you can see some of our chapters increased their membership and others lost members, my goal is to have increases in ALL chapters in the Western Region by this time next year.

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##### CHAPTER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Western Region Chapters are involved in many areas and activities; here a few of our Chapters activities:

1. Giving Christmas gifts to Military personnel in VA hospitals

2. Assists various communities in putting out the American Flag for the pertinent holiday
3. Several Chapters are giving out scholarships for continuing education
4. Several states are involved in keeping our highways clean
5. Some of the other activities include running marathons, hold golf tournaments, sponsor car washes, collect food and help out military families in other ways
6. Purchase new shoes, clothing and toys for local children's home

## **ALL OF OUR CHAPTERS ARE VERY ACTIVE THROUGHOUT THE REGION**

This concludes my briefing. Thank you to all of the Western Region Chapters for all of your support throughout the year.

I would like to personally thank CW4 (Ret) Harry Wilson for all of his support. I could not have done all of this without his support and help.