



January 14, 2010

**Election Ballot for Chapter Officers**

Two of the officers of the Chapter, the President and the Executive (or First) Vice President, are elected by the General Membership. All other officers are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Board of Directors. The current term of your elected officers, the president and executive vice-president, expires this month.

The Board of Directors recommends the following slate:

- Mrs. Diane Boeger for the office of President
- LtCol Mark Wiggins, USA Retired for the office of Executive Vice President.

The Board recommends this slate but you are at liberty to write-in alternate candidates. Bio’s for these two candidates are available on line at our website <http://www.kcausa.org/>

You may vote by one of the following methods:

1. **No Response is Required.** You may choose not to respond. If so, your silence is registered as a vote FOR all candidates as recommended by the Board under the concept of *Implied Concurrence*.
2. **Email:** replying to an EMAIL Ballot: You may reply without making any comment or vote for write-in candidates. If you simply REPLY and SEND without any comment, your vote will be counted as voting FOR the Board’s recommendations. Write-in votes will be tabulated as received.
3. **Regular Mail:** You may post your ballot through the USPS. Regular mail should be sent to: Association of the United States Army- KC, PO Box 27250, Overland Park, KS 66225-7250.

**Your Ballot must be returned by January 28, 2010**

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**OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT**

All candidates as recommended by the Board of Directors.

**For President:**

Diane Boeger      *O (Write-in candidate)* \_\_\_\_\_

**For First Vice President:**

Mark Wiggins      *O (Write-in candidate)* \_\_\_\_\_

If sending your ballot via any means other than email complete the following

My Name: \_\_\_\_\_

My Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Ballot must be returned by December 14, 2007

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## Association of the United States Army – Kansas City

January 18, 2010

### **Mrs. Diane Boeger**

Diane Bethea Boeger was raised in the Carolinas and graduated from Winthrop University in Rock Hill, SC in December 1980 with BA in Economics and a minor in Business Administration. After graduation Diane went to work for Ford Motor Company in the Charlotte Regional Sales Office. She held positions with Ford as a Sales Analyst, Business Analyst and Zone B Manager. She married Bruce C. Boeger in November 1981. Diane attended Texas Women's University from August 1982 to December 1983 in the Master's Program to receive an Elementary Education Teaching Certification. She enjoyed teaching in a first and a second grade classroom. In September 1984, Bruce and Diane's first daughter was born. Diane became a full time mother while assisting Bruce with his many relocations with Ford Motor Company and raising their four daughters. The Boeger family lived in North Carolina, Texas twice, Michigan twice, Ohio and Kansas.

Diane has dedicated countless hours to volunteerism in her children's classrooms, booster organizations, church, political campaigns and neighborhoods. She became a member of the Kansas City Chapter of the Association of the United States Army in the fall of 2004 and contributed to and initiated many projects including the Corporate Appreciation Reception, Operation Lunch Break benefiting USAREC soldiers, Operation Soldier Assist benefiting a Wounded Warrior and more.

Highlights in Diane's life include working for SABENA Airlines as a public relations ambassador in Brussels, Belgium and being selected to appear in a Ford Villager Van commercial in early 1995.

Diane has served as the Executive Vice President, AUSA, Kansas City for the past 2 years. Diane's most recent highlight is her new position as a Program Support Manager for Military Personnel Services Corporation to help coordinate the efforts of the US Army Reserve to find supportive Employers to hire Army Reserve Soldiers in the Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma area. This great new initiative partners the US Army Reserve with industry for a shared workforce that provides quality employees for Community Businesses and provides the best soldiers to the Army Reserve for a strong and secure Nation.

### **LtCol. Mark Wiggins**

Born in the Smoky Mountains of Western North Carolina, Mark is a graduate of Western Carolina University (WCU) with a B.A. in English/Technical Writing and has an M.A. (with honors) in Journalism/Public Relations from Marshall University. Mark originally enlisted in the Army in January 1982 as an Infantry Soldier. After completing the ROTC program as a distinguished graduate at WCU he was commissioned as a second lieutenant of infantry in December 1984. Over the course of his career as an infantry officer in heavy, light and airborne divisions (4th ID, 10th Mtn, 82d Abn, 1AD, 21st TSC), Mark served at various levels of leadership: platoon leader, company executive officer, scout platoon leader, company commander, headquarters company commander and battalion operations officer. At the midpoint of his career he also became a public affairs officer and served as a public affairs detachment commander, division public affairs officer, theater support command PAO, and finished his career working for the Army Chief of Staff as the senior strategic communications planner and director of web communications for the Army in the Pentagon. Mark is a graduate of the Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Airborne, Ranger, Combined Arms Services Staff School, Defense Information School, Command and General Staff College, and the Training with Industry program.

Mark retired from the Army in Fall 2004 as a lieutenant colonel after 23 years experience leading and training Infantry and Public Affairs Soldiers around the world. Upon retiring, Mark and his family moved to Kansas City where he worked for a local business for a year as the director of communications, then started his own business, MHW Public Relations and Communications, in 2006. He is a life member of AUSA and has been a corporate member of the Kansas City Chapter of AUSA for three years. Mark has served on the board of KCAUSA as the VP of Communications since 2005, administering our communications programs and our websites on Facebook, Twitter and [www.kcausa.org](http://www.kcausa.org), and contributing to many of our other programs and projects, including the annual KCAUSA Army Birthday Celebration and Operation Soldier Assist. He is also active in his homeowners association and his church. Mark and his wife Leann, who is a Registered Nurse in the Emergency Room at Overland Park Regional Trauma Center, live in south Leawood and have three children: Jenna, 16, a sophomore in high school; Luke, 18, an ROTC scholarship cadet at K-State; and Matt, 21, a recent college graduate, who lives in Tampa, Fla.; and of course Brutus, the 12-year old boxer, who has travelled around the world with the family and is now retired at home.