This letter is written in recognition of the outstanding volunteer services provided by Mr. Steve Wolley at Kaw Lake. Steve, along with his wife Barbara, began his volunteer service at Kaw Lake in October of 2016. Mr. Wolley resides at Coon Creek PUA where the majority of his work has occurred; however on occasion Steve has assisted our staff on projects outside his assigned area to include work at the USACE maintenance compound. This last year Steve completed heavy equipment operator training for our farm tractor so that he can further assist in recreation area and fire break/ food plot maintenance and improvement. Mr. Wolley is always willing to assist when called upon.

The duties asked of Steve are wide and varied; however the following are examples of the type of tasks routinely completed: dead tree cutting and removal, controlled burning of leaves and recreation areas alongside full-time staff, servicing USACE mowers and ATVs, mowing and weed eating, litter removal from all assigned recreation areas and project roads, campsite clean-up and debris removal, minor maintenance tasks, opening and closing project gates, painting of recreational facilities, flood debris removal and restoration, tractor operation, distribution of water safety materials, replacement of campsite reservation posts and a plethora of other duties.



The greatest attribute of Mr. Wolley is that he routinely performs the above tasks without supervision or guidance on my behalf. Steve diligently works on items he knows need to be completed to improve the recreation areas for the visiting public. Those times when he is assigned tasks, they are always performed in a timely and professional manner to the best of his ability. He consistently performs above expectations and is truly an ideal volunteer to the Corps of Engineers.

Steve is truly a public servant and his service and dedication will continue to be appreciated by our visitors for years to come. Continually he shows selfless service to the Nation through his work efforts. I consider his contributions to be just as valuable as any full-time staff at this project in accomplishing our mission and we are glad to include him on our team here at Kaw Lake.

I would be more than willing to give any further information regarding Mr. Steve Wolley and his

services provided while volunteering for the US Army Corps of Engineers at Kaw Lake. Please feel free to contact me at 580-762-5611 ext. 3617 or 580-761-2453.

Thank you for considering Mr. Wolley as a recipient of the Volunteer Excellence Coin.

Dakota Allison Assistant Lake Manager