



PARK RANGER COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE (COP) ADVISORY BOARD

Charting a New Horizon

Presented by

Park Manager Tom

Tom Ehrke
Park Ranger
CoP Advisory
Board Chair

Position: Park Manager

Years with the Corps: 14 years

Districts: Saint Paul, Fort Worth,
Sacramento



Advisors

Steve Austin



Position: HQ Proponent

Bonnie Bryson



Position: ERDC Advisor

Great Lakes and Ohio River Division (LRD)

Mark Klimaszewski

Position: Natural Resources Specialist
Years with the Corps: 15 years
District: Rock Island, Nashville



“Evaluation of the LRD self-defense initiative which will train trainers in the SPEAR method of unarmed self-defense to determine if it should be pursued on a Corps-wide level.”

Rebecca Palm

Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 5
District: Louisville



“Update the Safe Self Videos to a more viewable format.”



Mississippi Valley Division (MVD)

Scott Tichy

Natural Resources Specialist
Years with the Corps: 22 years
Saint Paul



Standardize VA refresher training program
elements so that Districts don't go through
options..."

Dayne Magnes

Position: Natural Resource Specialist
Years with the Corps: 6 years
District: Rock Island



"Revamp the Park Ranger section on the
Gateway. We need to establish a system to
keep information up to date and complete."



North Atlantic Division (NAD)

Hallie Groff



Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 8 years
District: Philadelphia



Get the word out to all rangers that CoP is
and running and needs their
involvement...”



Natalie McCormack

Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 5 years
District: New England

“Funding and important developmental activities for ranger
such as PROSPECT trainings and networking events have
been cut back. We should be looking at new and innovative
ways to provide these so that we can continue to develop a
capable and knowledgeable work force.”

Northwestern Division (NWD)

Anton Rains

Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 20 years
Districts: Kansas City



...anger safety and training; update the
...e Self videos and Scenarios”

Michelle Frobos

Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 5 years
Districts: Sacramento, Po



“I have received e-mails concerning events like the use
of pepper spray or shootings, almost immediately after the
event...we rarely hear later details concerning After Action
decisions. Maybe investigate a way to improve
communication about these events 6-12 months out?”

South Atlantic Division (SAD)

Scott Kelley



Position: Natural Resource Program
Years with the Corps: 15 years
District: Savannah

ational push to improve ranger morale
ds to be implemented.”



Juanita Souther

Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 7 y
District: Wilmington

“Are we patrolling alone? Safety first before
responding. I know the everyday issues we deal
and how to once again not be putting yourself
in harms way.”

Southwestern Division (SWD)

Mike Lowry

Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 25+ years
District: Tulsa



...pick one of the recommendations to the MSU report of the Survey, that has not been done, and start working on it... recommendations for Ranger Allocation of Effort... would be a good place to start."

Courtney "Tennis" Hammonds

Position: Natural Resources Specialist
Community Resource Coordinator
Years with the Corps: 6 years
District: Fort Worth



"I believe ranger safety concerns should be at the forefront of our discussions."



South Pacific Division (SPD)

Logan Barnes



Position: Senior Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 12 years
District: Sacramento

“Less data calls so rangers can be in the field. Boots on the ground.”

Austin Kuhlman



Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 8
District: Albuquerque

“Examine the MSU Ranger study as a group and come to a consensus about what our priorities are and how we can best address them.”

Pacific Ocean Division (POD)

Mike Kresel

Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 4 years
Districts: Saint Paul, Alaska



the growing amount of money spent on Law
cement contracts it would be ideal to have access
road assortment of current and past contracts to
e USACE as a whole is consistent with money
and services rendered."

Angela Jones

Position: Park Ranger
Years with the Corps: 22
Districts: Savannah, Hon



"...How to protect yourself from the Ebola virus and o
infectious diseases. We come in contact with over 50
people annually from all over the world, so maybe mo
education/training on personal protection from infectio
diseases."

