

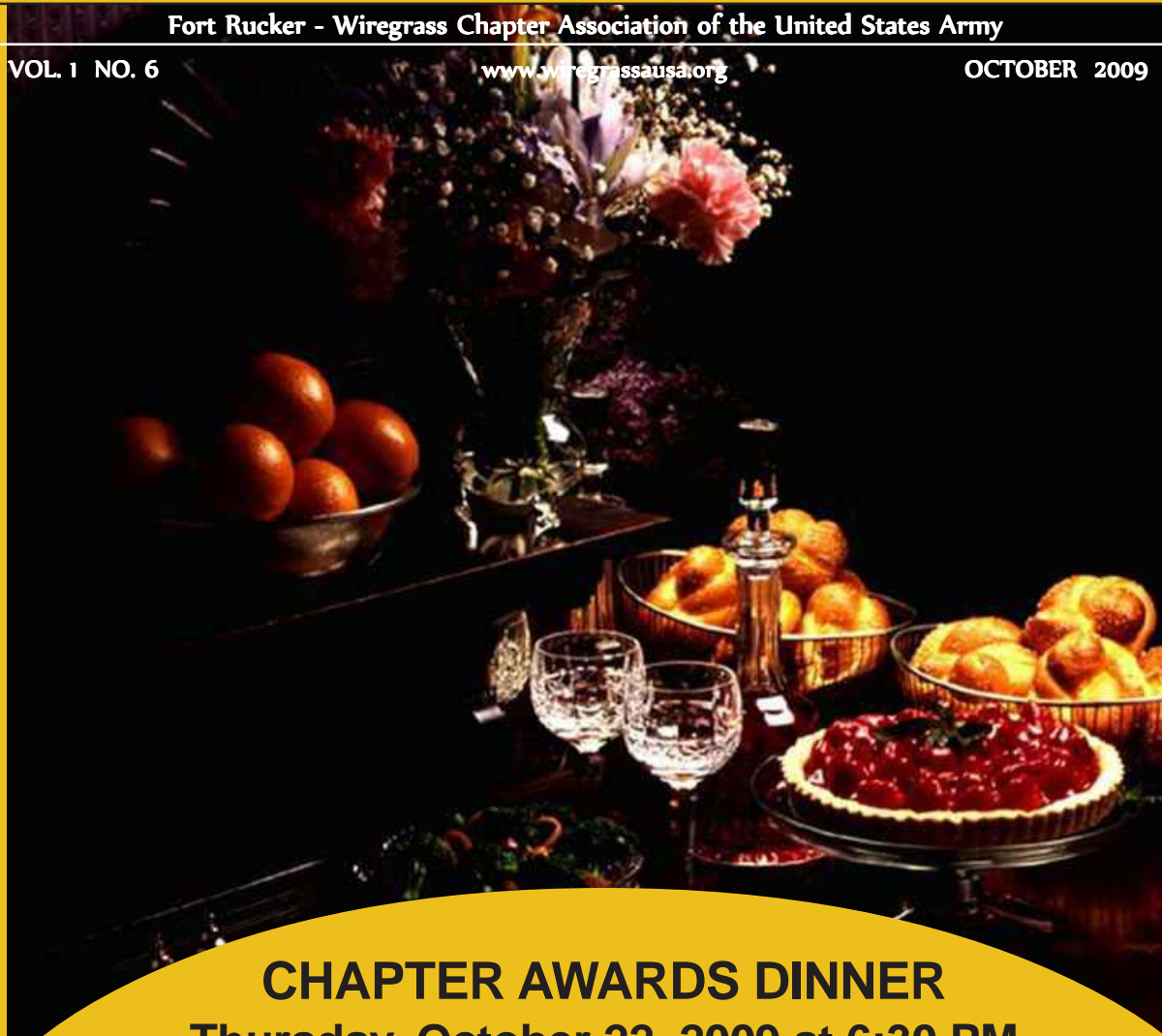
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Thursday, October 22, 2009 at 6:30 PM

Enterprise Civic Center

Highway 167N – Enterprise, Alabama

Speaker

Mr. Neal Brown

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AUSA provides numerous Professional Development Opportunities at a variety of events both local and national.

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Message from AUSA Chapter President

As you all know, if you attended our Ozark General Membership Breakfast, we all had a great time. Over 280 members, including 40 Soldiers sponsored by our Corporate Members, attended to share a great meal, hear remarks by Mr. Bob Fitzpatrick and tour the U S Helicopter – Bell Aero Facility at Blackwell Field. We also presented the Fort Rucker AUSA/Troy University Year of the NCO Scholarship to SFC David Cofer, an outstanding NCO. He will begin fulfilling his educational goals this Fall Semester.

In case anyone is unsure of our General Membership Meeting schedule, we have four during the year. We have a Breakfast Meeting in Ozark during August, a Dinner Meeting in Enterprise in October, a Breakfast Meeting in Dothan during January and a Luncheon in Daleville in April. Please look at the flyer in this newsletter for information on our next General Membership Dinner Meeting which will be in Enterprise. The date is 22 October and the location is the new Civic Center, which is an outstanding facility.

Don't forget also to look at the list of our Corporate Sponsors in this newsletter. They make it possible, through their support, for our Chapter to do all the things we do for our outstanding Soldiers and their Families. Without their support we couldn't have awarded a Scholarship to an outstanding Noncommissioned Officer or provided welcome home gifts for the 46th Engineers when they returned from Iraq. So when you meet a Corporate Sponsor, thank them. They are truly the Backbone of the Fort Rucker Wiregrass Chapter.



OUR VISION

As the premier voice for America's Soldiers, we are a dedicated team committed to building the best professional and representative association for the world's best Army.



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OCT. 3 RD - 7TH
AUSA ANNUAL
BOARD MEETING

OCT. 14TH
EXECUTIVE
BOARD MEET-
ING AVIATOR'S
LANDING 11:30
A.M.

OCT. 22ND
CHAPTER
AWARDS
DINNER -
ENTERPRISE
CIVIC CENTER

OCT. 31ST
HAPPY
HALLOWEEN

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT AUSA?

AUSA OFFERS THREE TYPES OF MEMBERSHIP TO ITS SUPPORTERS **INDIVIDUAL, CORPORATE AND SUSTAINING**. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR LOCAL CHAPTER OR HOW TO JOIN **CONTACT BOB SLAGLE AT 494-2999, E-MAIL: [SLAGLEB@ALAWEB.COM](mailto:slagleb@alaweb.com)** FOR MORE DETAILS.

Dear Corporate Member:

The Fort Rucker - Wiregrass Chapter of AUSA would like to Thank You for your continued support of AUSA and Fort Rucker. Your donation to the Chapter Annual Corporate Fundraiser helps ensure that the vital work of this organization will continue.

The Fort Rucker - Wiregrass Chapter of AUSA programs vary from efforts designed specifically for soldiers and their families to public education and legislative affairs. All of these programs serve to strengthen Fort Rucker and maintain it as an important viable installation. The vast majority of the funds used to finance AUSA efforts on Fort Rucker come from local fund raising efforts. The Fort Rucker - Wiregrass Chapter of AUSA is asking for your support in 2009 to help ensure that the vital work of

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The Fort Rucker - Wiregrass Chapter of AUSA appreciates your continued support of AUSA and Fort Rucker. For more information and to pledge your support please contact Ingrid Strange at 598-9005 or Bob Slagle at 494-2999, e-mail: slagleb@alaweb.com

**Sincerely,
Ingrid Strange
Fundraising Chairman**



The Value of Membership...



Editor's Note: The Fort Rucker Wiregrass Chapter of AUSA has been able to support many different activities in the local community thanks to corporate sponsors. Sam MacMaster, Wiregrass AUSA President, explains the importance of joining in this worthy cause and the benefits of membership.

Editor: Why is membership in the Fort Rucker Wiregrass AUSA important?

MacMaster: AUSA and the Fort Rucker Wiregrass Chapter are the voice of the Soldier. When you join AUSA, your visibility on Capitol Hill is assured. Your membership amplifies AUSA's ability to serve as the voice of the Army through congressional testimony, Hill visits and grassroots lobbying. The more members we have in our Chapter and throughout AUSA means a louder voice on Capitol Hill to get our message heard.

Editor: How does membership in AUSA help surrounding communities?

MacMaster: Membership in AUSA supports a strong Army, and a strong army presence in the Wiregrass greatly benefits the economy of the surrounding communities by bringing millions of dollars to the area, providing employment opportunities and attracting retirees and other new residents.

Editor: Who can join?

MacMaster: AUSA's Individual Membership Program is open to all Army ranks and all components including Active, Reserve, National Guard, Government Civilians, Retirees, Veterans, Disabled Veterans, Family Members and concerned citizens who subscribe to the philosophy of a strong national defense with special concern for the Army.

The Corporate Membership Program provides local business leaders the opportunity to demonstrate to the community that they support the Army, its Soldiers and its mission while strengthening their own business opportunities. As a Corporate Member of the Fort Rucker Wiregrass Chapter a company designates up to 10 (depending on the size of the company) employees or other individuals to become AUSA members (referred to as member designees) of our Chapter.

Editor: What are three benefits of being a member?

MacMaster: Army Magazine – The association's professional monthly journal provides articles on current Army operations and training, future operational and modernization concepts, military history and a variety of perspectives submitted by Army leaders

AUSA News – The association's monthly newspaper provides a combination of news and other relevant Army topics.

Chapter Membership – Chapters provide the opportunity to participate in activities with Army professionals and members of the local communities.

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