

will be in the beautiful Black Hills of Rapid City, South Dakota. There are several hotels that would accommodate our group, including a banquet room, meeting room, and hospitality room, and they're served by five major airlines.

• The other proposed location is from David A. Mills, the Adjutant of Missouri Chapter, CID 96. His letter says, "I'm writing to suggest your consideration of Saint Louis, Missouri as the site for the 2012 Gathering and Annual Members Meeting of the KWVA. In support of my suggestion, allow me to state by my calculations that within 350 miles of highway of Saint Louis there are 30 active chapters of the KWVA. That fact alone seems to make it possible for more members to attend. The Saint Louis Convention and Visitor's Bureau has successfully handled conventions, attracting more attendees than the total membership of the KWVA, and their assistance is readily available if desired."

For the Good of the Order:

■ Changes/New Appointments: Director Stevens to replace Director Brodeur as Membership Chairman. Motion made by Director Lawhon to accept, seconded by Director Brown and passed unanimously.

■ Director McHugh to replace Director Brown as Election Chairman. Motion made by Director Brown to accept, seconded by Director Stevens and passed unanimously.

■ Add Edward Bierce to the E&G Committee. Motion made by Director McHugh to accept, seconded by Director Brown and approved unanimously.

■ Director Dappen to be the Chairman of the Resolutions Committee. Director Stevens made a motion to accept, seconded by Director McHugh and passed unanimously.

■ Increase per diem for the Washington, DC. area: Director McHugh made a motion to increase the per diem for the Washington, DC area to a minimum of \$20.00 per day for travel days and \$30 for meeting days. Director Brown seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Treasurer Jones played Taps, President Mac Swain gave the benediction and the salute to the Flag.

The meeting was adjourned at 1636.

*Respectfully submitted,
Frank Cohee, National Secretary*

Editor's Address Change

It is time for me to relocate to my "southern office." Effective 1 January 2010 my mailing address will be:

Arthur G. Sharp
895 Ribaut Road, #13
Beaufort, SC 29902

Make sure you include the #13 in the address. Otherwise, there is no telling whose mail box your missives will land in.

That address will remain in effect until further notice. Of course, you can still send mail to the "northern office," but it will be forwarded to Beaufort, which means a built-in delay.

My phone # will also change. Call me at (860) 202-3088 or (860) 944-8693. The preferred number is (860) 202-3088.

KWVA Bylaws Amendments

The following change to the KWVA Bylaws was approved by the Board of Directors at their Meeting on October 19, 2010. Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2, Bylaws Amendments the Membership is hereby notified that the change will be presented for ratification at the next scheduled Membership Meeting.

The motion to amend the Bylaws that was approved requires the KWVA Annual Board Meeting to be of a length and time to properly enable all Association business that may be at hand, and to require at least two (2) scheduled meetings between Annual Association Meetings.

The revised Bylaws text is inserted below in *bold italics*.

"...Article III, ...F. Board of Directors. The Association Board shall consist of seventeen (17) members, being the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and twelve Directors. The President of the Association shall be the Chairman. The Board shall formulate policies and supervise the execution thereof and have the control and management of the affairs, property and funds of the Association.

The Board has the basic management functions of Planning, Organizing, Staffing, Directing and Controlling for the Association, overall. Fulfilling these functions requires Board meetings and training, and the effective coordinated formulation of policies and knowledgeable oversight of the execution thereof.

The Board shall have at least two (2), scheduled meetings between Annual Association Meetings, the second (or last) during the days immediately preceding the Annual Association Membership business meeting.

All Scheduled Board Meetings shall be considered portal to portal return; with scheduled travel days, scheduled meeting days, and in the case of the meeting occurring immediately preceding the Annual Membership Meeting, includes attendance at the said Association meeting, and return travel.

All Board meetings shall provide sufficient duration to complete all Association business placed before them for consideration. The Board shall meet at any other and/or additional times that may be required by the Board of Directors, and called by the President, and may conduct business by mail without a meeting when done in compliance with Article II, Section 2. Board of Directors., D. Business Without a Meeting, of these Bylaws. It shall establish and maintain a Standard Procedure Manual and is responsible for orderly and timely actions between its regular meetings.

All members of the Board shall be notified of the time, place and agenda for the meeting. The Board shall determine excused absence using the definitions established in the SPM. No person shall receive any salary for services as a member of the Board who is eligible to vote. The Board may, from time to time, establish fees for services of the Secretary or Treasurer..."

*George E. Lawhon, Director
Chairman, KWVA Bylaws Committee*