# **IAEM-USA Region 4**

## May/June 2014: Monthly Report

Lanita Lloyd, CEM – Region President
Doug Bryson – Region President-Elect
Rick Cox – Region Secretary/Treasurer
Ron Campbell – Region Immediate Past President

We are placing the Call for Nominations first to remind members of the importance of considering running for office. We have so many wonderful leaders in Region 4! Please think about the opportunities "to give back" to our profession!

#### **Call for Nominations:**

### **IAEM-USA Region 4 President-Elect and Secretary**

It is time for Region 4 to hold officer elections for Region 4 President-Elect and Secretary/Treasurer. An email was sent to members on 6/23 with specific requirements, eligibility, and processes. Information will also be posted on the Region 4 webpage. Nominations are being accepted from Monday, June 23 through 5:00 p.m., Friday, Aug. 8, 2014. Please, refer to http://www.iaem.com/members/IAEMRegion4Bylaws2008.pdf for the duties of each officer.

### **IAEM-USA Second Vice President and Secretary**

IAEM-USA will elect new officers at the IAEM-USA 2014 Annual Conference & EMEX, set for Nov. 14-19 in San Antonio, Texas. Candidates for IAEM-USA Second Vice President and IAEM-USA Secretary must submit credentials by **5:00 p.m. Eastern time, Friday, Aug. 15, 2014**, to IAEM Headquarters. This announcement also appears in the May 2014 IAEM Bulletin. For more information, see the <u>IAEM-USA Administrative Policies & Procedures</u> or e-mail IAEM Membership Manager Sharon Kelly at <u>info@iaem.com</u>.

#### **President's Activities:**

- Distributed regional May/June update to all members
- Attended the IAEM-USA Board Meeting via Conference Call, May 20 & June 17
- In collaboration with the Regions 4 & 5 Training Summit Committee, and Region 4 Officers, finalized Program and documents
- Co-chaired (with Region 5 President) Region 4 & 5 Training Summit, May 19-23
- Provided Workshop course during Training Summit
- Presided over Region 4 Meeting, May 21
- With Region 4 Officers and IAEM-USA Staff, determined election dates and prepared materials for Region 4
- Continue to update the Region 4 webpage to share information specific to the region
- Attended the Alabama Association of Emergency Manager's Conference in Prattville, AL (June 17-20). Manned booth, spoke in Preliminary Session, and had the honor of swearing in new officers

### President's Other Activities:

- Membership and Marketing Committee (Liaison): Meetings on May 1 and June 5. Continue to coordinate with committee chair
- Standards and Practices (Liaison): Meeting on June 9. Continue to coordinate with committee chair.
- Attended SC State Hurricane Exercise, June 5
- Taught CEM®/AEM Prep Course, May 19
- Proctored CEM® Exam, May 19 and June 18
- Attended CEM® Commission Meeting (via Conference Call), June 23

## **Member Engagement:**

- Emailed "Welcome" to new IAEM Region 4 Members
- Distributed information to all members on pertinent Emergency Management issues, including legislative updates from IAEM Policy Advisor, Martha Braddock. During May and June, our focus was to engage members' participation in the Training Summit and continue involvement with Operation Invite a Friend.
- Held Training Summit, May 19-23, and Region 4 Meeting, May 21

#### **Other Updates:**

#### **Operation Invite a Friend**

Region 4 members have increased by about 175 members just during May! On May 23, President Bruce Lockwood announced a one-week competition between regions – for pride not prize. Region 4 Won!!! THANK YOU for being so motivated!!! As of today, June 24, Region 4 has 1,312 members!

As you probably know, IAEM-USA began "Operation Invite a Friend" in March, which allows full dues-paying members to invite colleagues to join IAEM free of charge (with full membership benefits for one year). *Through August*, you have the opportunity to invite colleagues to join IAEM-USA and participate in our committees and caucuses, attend our IAEM-USA Conference in San Antonio, access the IAEM *Bulletin*, and earn the international certification (at membership rates)!

### **Region 4 Webpage**

Our webpage can be viewed at <a href="http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=council/usa/region4">http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=council/usa/region4</a> Be sure to watch for our Training Summit photos that will be posted soon, and send me information to post and/or pictures of events when available.

#### June 2014 IAEM Bulletin

The June IAEM Bulletin is available to all IAEM members online; you can download it at <a href="http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=members/IAEM-Bulletin-Index-June2014">http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=members/IAEM-Bulletin-Index-June2014</a>. Remember that the May issue was the last printed and mailed IAEM Bulletin that IAEM-USA Individual members will receive, and our June issue is the first in what will continue as an electronic monthly publication for IAEM members only. Watch for an IAEM Communications Assessment Survey coming soon to find out how you prefer to read the IAEM Bulletin.

#### **IAEM Bulletin Call for Articles**

"Professional Development in Emergency Management" - possible articles might include: promoting individual growth within an emergency management department through incorporating higher education and other activities; how individual emergency managers are applying professional development activities in their departments to make their efforts more effective; or how your emergency management program has improved or how your community has benefited through the application of what you learned in professional development activities. Please read the IAEM Bulletin Author's Guidelines, and keep your articles between 750 and 1,500 words. Email article submissions to Karen Thompson, IAEM Bulletin Editor, at <a href="mailto:thompson@iaem.com">Thompson@iaem.com</a> no later than **July 10, 2014**.

#### **Important Dates:**

Nov. 14-19, 2014: Annual Conference, Grand Hyatt, San Antonio, TX

#### **Organizational Information:**

- Board Minutes
  - IAEM USA Board minutes can be found at http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=council/usa/board-minutes&lvl=3

Thanks again to the members who have taken the time to respond to my request to participate in various activities in IAEM on behalf of Region 4. I also appreciate your emails and calls about questions, concerns, and other input. For those of you still searching for opportunities to be more engaged, please review the committees and caucuses at <a href="http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=groups/us-committees">http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=groups/us-committees</a> and select a group to get involved with. You can contact the Chair of the group directly. I am always available if you have comments or questions!

Thanks for all you do!

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