

HMGS Director Candidates' Biographies

Tim Broome

I've been an active HMGS member for a bit over 16 years and during that time have renewed many old friendships, made even more new friends, played in lots of games, and have come to realize what a great organization HMGS is. Over the past 32 years I've helped organize and run several war game clubs and conventions in my local area. In these organizations I've done everything from being a Game Master to a Governing Committee Chairman, and most of the roles in between. Since joining HMGS I've served as staff at virtually every convention I've attended, working in registration, events, and in the vendor hall and have been the Onsite Events Coordinator for Historicon s 2012 - 2016. I have run numerous games at HMGS conventions and was fortunate enough to win Best of Show at Historicon 2014.

I am a retired U.S. Army First Sergeant with 26 years' service and now work with the Mississippi Armed Forces Museum, obtaining and restoring militaria for display (imaging playing with minis – but at 1:1 scale!) A significant part of my job includes running educational war games at the National WW2 Museum in New Orleans as well as at other area museums, bringing in local high school war game clubs to participate.

I have more free time than I did when on active duty and want to use some of that time to give more back to HMGS. I have no agenda beyond wanting to help make the Society more successful in its pursuit of its goals.

My military career required a high degree of organizational skill, the ability to get things done (generally with fewer resources than were required), to play well with others, and most importantly, to accomplish the mission. I believe these skills can all be put to good use in service to HMGS and in support of what I see the HMGS mission to be. That mission is to (and I paraphrase very loosely from the HMGS Articles of Incorporation, to say this) foster historical gaming and scholarship, promote historical gaming through outreach to the public (e.g. supporting History Day programs and other efforts that extend beyond our own membership), and to hold war gaming conventions. HMGS does a great job of doing all of these things but I would like to help it to do an even better job.

I have experience in convention operations both inside and outside of HMGS. I've negotiated facility contracts, I've humped tables and I've raised Cain when the bathrooms were dirty etc. I ask you to allow me to bring all of this to the HMGS Board of Directors and to the governance of our Society.