

Walter Chester Todd

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Education

Completing a **Master of Arts in History**, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia, ABT; expect to graduate in Dec. 2010

Master of Sports in Fitness Management, United States Sports Academy, Daphne, Alabama, August 1989

Doctor of Education in Health, Physical Education and Recreation, The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, May 1984- Minors in Higher Education and Experiential Education

Master of Arts in Physical Education, University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama, June 1976

Bachelor of Arts in Fine Art, University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama, March 1974

Professional Experience

University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia:

- Director of the Campus Recreation, 1992 to 2010
- Assistant Professor of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, 1984 to present
- Assistant Coordinator of Auxiliary Services, summers of 1990 and 1991
- Instructor for Continuing Education, 1986 to present

Carrollton Recreation Department, Carrollton, Georgia:

- Manager of City Pools, summers of 1988 and 1989; Lifeguard Instructor 2007

Taylor Hardin Secure Medical Facility, Tuscaloosa, Alabama:

- Director of Therapeutic Recreation Department, 1981 to 1984

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama:

- Part-time Instructor, Therapeutic Recreation, 1982 to 1984
- Outdoor Education Camp Instructor, Bankhead National Forest, Summer Camp Instructor for The University of Alabama program conducted under a Macy Foundation Grant to impact gifted rural high school students in Alabama, 1983
- Graduate Teaching Assistant 1980 to 1981

Searcy State Mental Hospital, Mt. Vernon, Alabama:

- Director of Patient Activities, 1976 to 1980

Mobile City Recreation Department

- Director of City Pools, 1975 to 1976

University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Pool Manager and Intramural Assistant, University of South Alabama, 1974 to 1975

Service to the University of West Georgia

- Member of the Academic Policy and Procedures Committee of the Faculty Senate, 1987-1989
- Chairman of the President's Faculty Elections Committee, 1990- 2009
- Member of the University of West Georgia's Sexual Assault Response Team (SART), 2005-present
- Chairman and Member of the University Club for the Faculty and Staff of UWG, 2002- present
- Faculty Advisor to the One in Four Men's Group on Sexual Assault, 2003- present
- Taught PER Activity classes in Small Crafts and Backpacking for undergraduate students, 1996-2001
- Advisor to numerous student groups (Soccer Club, Gun & Rod Club, Kayak Club, Outdoor Club, Tau Kappa Epsilon and Kappa Sigma fraternities)
- Speak regularly to various history classes (American Military History, Modern Germany, Nazi Germany, Modern Japan, Vietnam War, Modern China, India and Southeast Asia, and the Holocaust) of the History Department on military subjects
- Serve as the Coordinator of Volunteers for the Center for Public History of the University of West Georgia, 2004- present
- Member of the Faculty/Staff Ad Hoc Committee Studying Governance Issues of the Faculty Senate. 2008- 2009
- Member of the International Programs Advisement Committee, 2007- present
- Member of College of Education, International Exchanges Committee, 2010- present
- Member of the Faculty Senate, Faculty and Administrative Staff Personal committee, 2010-present

Professional Certification/Skills Development

Certification in *Museum Studies*, University of West Georgia and the Atlanta History Center, 2004

Certified as a *Recreational Sports Specialist*, National Intramural Recreational Sports Association since 1998

Certified in *Wilderness First Aid and Wilderness First Responder*, Wilderness Medical Association, 1997 to 2000

Re-Certified in 2007 for new revised *First Aid, CPR, and Lifeguarding*, American Red Cross, 1972 to present

Certified as a *Rifle and Pistol Safety Instructor* with the National Rifle Association, 1993 to 2005
Small Crafts (Water) Instructor, American Red Cross, 1994 to present

Registered as a *Master Therapeutic Recreation Specialist with the National Therapeutic Society of the National Recreation and Park Association*, 1979 to 1992

Certified as an *Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)*, Alabama Fire and Safety Commission, 1980 to 1983

Standard First Aid/CPR Instructor, American Red Cross, 1976 to present

Water Safety Instructor, American Red Cross, 1972 to 1991

Professional Organizations and Service

National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA), 1996 to present
-Committee Member on Professional Standards, 1998 to 2000
-NIRSA Certification Proctor at Region 2 Conference in Memphis, Tennessee, 2000
-Georgia Chapter of NIRSA member, 1996 to present

Georgia Recreation and Park Association (GRPA), 1984 to 1992
-Education Representative for Section 4, 1984 to 1986
-Chair for Awards and Selection Judges of the Awards Committee, 1987 to 1988
-Co-Chair for Outdoor Resources' Program Committee, 1990 to 1991

National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA), 1975 to 1980
Alabama Chapter of the NRPA, 1975 to 1984
-Therapeutic Committee, 1980 to 1984

National Therapeutic Recreation Society (NTRS) of NRPA, 1980 to 1992

Volunteer Organization Relevant to My Professional Position

American Red Cross

*Instructor - Water Safety Instructor, First Aid and CPR
*Lifeguarding, Small Crafts (Water), C-PRO, 1972 to present
*Safety and Health Coordinator for West Georgia Chapter of American Red Cross, 1991 to 1996
*Board of Directors for the West Georgia Chapter of the American Red Cross, 1993 to 1999
*Committee Member (1991 to 1995) and President (1993 to 1995) of the Northwest Cluster of Georgia of the American Red Cross

Boy Scouts of America, Mobile, Alabama and Carrollton, Georgia

-Scoutmaster and Institutional Representative, Mobile, Alabama, 1977 to 1980
-Advancement Chairman (3 Rivers District), 1991 to 1993
-Chairman of Scouting Programs (3 Rivers District), 1993 to 1995
-Camping Chairman (3 Rivers District), 1995 to 1998
-NESA Day Instructor and Committee Member for the Atlanta Area Council (AAC), 1999 to 2005
-Venture Crew Advisor of Post 6617 University of West Georgia (3 Rivers District), 1998 to present
-Assistant District Commissioner for Explorers and Venturers (3 Rivers District), 1999 to 2000
-District Commissioner (3 Rivers District), 2000 to 2004
-Unit Commissioner for Three Rivers District, 2005 to present
-Wood Badge Staff for Wood Badge Courses 92-47, 92-50 and 92-53 (AAC), 2004-2006
-Atlanta Area Council International Scouting Committee, 2004 to 2006, 2009
-Atlanta Area Council Silver Beaver Selection Committee, 2005
-Eagle Scout Professional Mentor, 2007 to present
-Faculty Member at ACC Commissioners College, Spring 2008
-Member of the Order of the Arrow, 2008- present

Carroll County Wellness Council

-Education Chairman, 1987 to 1990
-Vice-Chair, 1988 to 1990
-Chair for Health Fair, Mayfest 1989

Kiwanis Club of Carrollton,

- Youth Program Committee, 2003 to present
- K-Kids Committee, 2004
- Dr. Seuss Reading Appreciation Day reader at Carroll County elementary schools, 2004 to present
- Club Representative/Advisor to the Key Club of the University of West Georgia, 2008 to present

The Atlanta History Center, Atlanta, Georgia

- Assist with their military history exhibits and displays as a period researcher and historical re-enactor, 2003- present

Honors and Award

- Distinguished Commission Award* from the Atlanta Area Council of the BSA, 2008
- Received a *Sasakawa Fellowship for 2007 from the American Association of State Colleges and Universities* for “Incorporating Japanese Studies into the Undergraduate Curriculum” held at San Diego State University, June 2007
- Blue Diamond Award for Leadership and Service from the Residence Hall Council of American Universities and Schools* in 2006
- *Outstanding Leadership Award for 2006* from the Black Student Alliance of UWG
- Outstanding Service & Loyalty Award to SGA of UWG 2004-2005*, given by the Student Government Association of UWG
- Leadership Award*, Three Rivers District, Atlanta Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, 2004
- Thirty Year Service Award*, Atlanta Chapter of the American Red Cross, 2002
- Silver Beaver Award*, Atlanta Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, 2002
- Continued Service and Outstanding Service Awards*, American Red Cross- Carrollton Chapter, 1999
- District Merit Award*, Atlanta Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1997
- M. Ray Loree Award* for Research in Health, Physical Education, and Recreation, University of Alabama, 1985

Personal History

I have three children from a previous marriage. They are Amy T. Boswell (30 years old), Forrest Todd (26 years old) and Hunter Todd (24 Years old). Amy has two sons, Brody and Colby Boswell. Forrest works for the eFitwell Club of Biloxi, MS supervising their swimming and fitness programs. He has one daughter, Landyn. Hunter is a graduate student at the University of Alabama in Birmingham majoring in Business Administration and has a B.A. in International Studies. I have been married to Aki Matsushima of Kagoshima, Japan since August 1995. I have visited Japan numerous times in the last 15 years for pleasure, research and work. As hobbies, I like to read military histories, collect military uniforms, helmets, weapons, and artifacts. I do history re-enactments of American, German and Soviet soldiers in the 20th Century. For fun, I participate in archery, paintball, kayaking, canoeing, sailing, shooting sports, back-packing, spear-fishing and skin-diving.