

# Castle Gram

THE ARMY ENGINEER OFFICERS' WIVES' CLUB  
OF WASHINGTON, D.C.

**Next Board Meeting:**  
**Wednesday**  
**June 7, 2006**  
**10:00am**  
**Old & New Board**  
**Julie Strock's home**  
**233 2nd St., Qtrs 9**  
**Ft McNair**

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## *AEOWC trip to Arlington—the Changing of the Guard*



1st Tentative Board Meeting  
for 2006-2007  
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*Our  
New Board!!!  
Find out who's doing what  
on the next page...*

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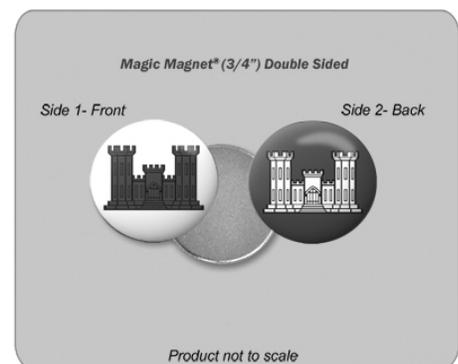
*Thank You*  
*To the Board of 2005-2006*

**Here’s a great item from Services you won’t want to miss!! It’s a magnetic lapel pin that is reversible. 3/4” in diameter. Great way to show your Engineer spirit without putting a hole in your clothing!!! Discounts offered for larger orders:**

<b>1=\$4.00</b>	<b>4=\$12.00</b>
<b>2=\$7.00</b>	<b>5=\$15.00</b>
<b>3=\$10.00</b>	<b>12=\$30.00</b>

**One side is a white circle with a red Castle and the other side is a red circle with a white Castle. The product number is #68 and postage is \$4.00. You can order this product and many others on our website:**

**www.aeowc.com**





## The Gavel

~ a note from our Presidents, outgoing and incoming

As you can see by the wonderful photos in our Castlegram, **April and May's functions** were very successful. The tour of Arlington was wonderful. Tom Sherlock gave a wonderful tour and it was full of information we would not have normally known. Lunch at the Nam Viet restaurant in Alexandria was delicious. The annual **AEMA Brunch** was well attended and 2 of our 6 awardees were able to be present along with their families. They are wonderful examples of the quality of today's youth. You can read about Jessica and David along with the other 4 recipients on page 5 of the newsletter. We were able to give out one \$2,000, one \$1,000 and four \$500 awards this year. **A huge thank you to Janice Smith and her committee** and to all of you who donated to the AEMA fund and made this possible! We enjoyed listening to **LTG Carl Strock** and we were also able to introduce the majority of our new board for 2006-2007. The official handover of the reigns will be at our joint board ("old" and "new") meeting on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. The "old" board will provide a salad lunch for the next year. **Congratulations to the newly elected 2006-2007 board and thank you for offering to serve our AEOWC for the next year.**

You'll notice that we've included a **membership form** for the upcoming year of AEOWC. Why not start our year off great and fill it out and send it in? We are going to try to send as many of our newsletters electronically as possible. We hope this will **save us quite a bit of money** in mailing and printing costs in addition to the time it takes to actually send out hard copies. If you aren't able to receive them electronically or would prefer a hard copy, we'll still offer them that way also. We are hoping our dues can remain the same at \$20 a year by saving money this way.

The **revision to the constitution** was voted on and passed to change the AEMA Treasurer's title to **AEMA Chairman** to facilitate banking. While on the subject, we are **working with LTG (Ret) John Morris to fund an additional AEMA award in his late wife's name (Geraldine K. Morris)** for Engineer children interested in pursuing a career in nursing. Details will be coming soon.

I have a **happy announcement for you**—LTG Carl and Julie Strock's aide, **Master Sergeant Mike Waller** was recently married to **Dr. Kirsty Laughlin**, originally from Scotland. Congratulations!

**Sadly, I have been informed that Louise Bratton, wife of LTG (Ret) Joe Bratton, former Chief of Engineers died Sunday morning, May 7<sup>th</sup>**, of acute leukemia in Orlando, Florida. A memorial service was held at Indian River Colony Club where they lived.

This is my last **letter as the President of AEOWC**. I have really enjoyed my time serving you. It has been a real pleasure and privilege. I plan to stay very active in the group. **I'd like to thank all the ladies who served on our board for the past 2 years.** I've always said being the President of an organization is a great job as long as you have wonderful board members working with you who actually do their own jobs. This has been the case for me and I really appreciate their efforts and their support.

*Thank you, Bette*

Hello to all. For those who don't know me, I am Nancy or Nan. First of all, I would like to thank you for choosing me to be your next AEOWC president. I am looking forward to being with you in this coming year. Bette Meuleners has given me tremendous support and help to make this a smooth transition. Thanks Bette! Secondly, I would like to thank all those who have agreed to serve on the Board. We all know that these folks are the ones who truly get the work done. Another big thanks goes to Julie Strock. She has offered to alternate with me in writing for the newsletter. As the "First Lady of the Corps", it will be an opportunity for all of us to get to know her better. This year you may notice a few changes. Our board meetings will be on the first Wednesday of the month (instead of Thursday). The general monthly meetings will remain the third week, but may not always be on Thursdays. We will let you know what exciting events Michelle plans for us as soon as possible. If anyone has any suggestions, we'd love to hear them. Who knows - your idea may be the meeting everyone remembers years later! I've decided not to write a mini-autobiography for you. This is my way of getting you to come and talk with me at the meetings. We shall get to know each other and become friends face to face. Until then ...?

*Take care, Nancy*

# Happy Birthday!

## June & July Birthdays

Sandy Aadland	July 23
Margaret Agostini	July 25
Casey Andrysiak	June 2
Vickie R Basham	July 08
Melissa Bentley	June 28
Kay Burlin	July 16
Deborah Butler	July 24
Isabel M Clarke	July 04
Marjorie A Fuhrman	July 31
Estelle Gibson	July 08
Bonnie Gregory	June 21
Sherry Hazen	June 16
Barbara Karen Hickey	July 20
Cynthia Kam	July 23
Kathleen L Lauzon	July 17
Debbi LoCicero	June 01
Catherine McMahon	June 13
Marla Melcher	June 21
Marsha A Moldenhauer	June 17
Molly Moore	June 11
Julia Morrison	July 27
Diane Rivenburgh	July 28
Bonnie Rorabaugh	July 02
Jeanne Marie Rowan	June 18
Connie Semonite	July 19
Dore Skidmore	June 22
Janelle Slockbower	June 26
Harriet H Stroup	July 12
Kitty Tyler	July 15
Cheryl H Viani	June 27
Kathleen Whittle	July 20
Carole Williams	June 22
Anne Yankoupe	June 08

The Army Engineer Association, a small nonprofit association, is seeking a part-time (20-25 hrs/wk) Executive Assistant for its Ft. Belvoir office. Duties include managing individual and supporting firm memberships, maintaining the member database, and overseeing the advertising schedule for the *Army Engineer* magazine. Other duties include conference support, which requires some travel. Hours are flexible. Pay is \$20-\$24/hr DOE. Strong knowledge of Access and Excel preferred. Send cover letter and resume to AEA, PO Box 30260, Alexandria, VA 22310 or fax (703) 428-6043 by June 1.

It's scary when you start making the same noises as your coffeemaker!



**2006 AEMA AWARD RECIPIENTS**

**Jessica Lee Moffatt**

Daughter of LTC and Mrs. Mark Moffatt  
Attends W.T. Woodson High School, Fairfax, VA  
National Honor Society, President Environmental Club, ESL Helper  
Science Honor Society Member and Tutor, Church Youth Leadership Team  
Will attend the University of Virginia

**Paul Everett Deren**

Son of MAJ (Ret) and Mrs. Lawrence A. Deren  
Attends Dallastown Area High School, Seven Valleys, PA  
Eagle Scout, President International Club, Brain-Buster Competitor  
National Honor Society, York Food Bank Fundraiser  
Will attend University of Pennsylvania

**Kimberly Noelle Butler**

Daughter of COL (Ret) and Mrs. Randall J. Butler  
Attends Duncan High School, Duncan, Oklahoma  
Flute Officer for 3 years, National Honor Society, TMEA All-State Soloist  
Will attend Southwestern Oklahoma State University

**Laura A. Tipton**

Daughter of COL and Mrs. Robert A. Tipton  
Attends Carlisle High School, Carlisle, PA  
National Honor Society, Varsity Rowing Team, Actor & Stage Crew for 4 years  
Plans to attend Montana State University

**David Vaught Adams**

Son of LTC (Ret) and Mrs. Jonathan P. Adams  
Attends Robinson Secondary School, Fairfax, VA  
Eagle Scout, National Honor Society, Church Mission Work for 4 year  
Will attend The College of William and Mary

**Ashley Nicole Jones**

Daughter of LTC and Mrs. Harvey B. Jones III  
Attends John T. Hoggard High School, Wilmington, NC  
Student Body President, National Honor Society, French Club Council Rep.  
Will attend Meredith College, Raleigh, NC



This picture feature (left to right) Janice Smith, LTG Carl Strock (Chief of Engineers), **David Vaught Adams** and Bette Meuleners.



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*Next year the Castle Gram is going to be delivered in a whole new way—via email!!! This great idea will save most of the cost we currently spend on printing and mailing and prevents us from increasing our dues for next year. For those of you who are unable to receive email, we will be glad to continue mailing you your Castle Gram. Please let us know on your membership form. I encourage each of you to support our efforts to keep our membership dues as they are while still being able to provide AEMA awards each year by accepting the receipt of your Castle Gram via email.*

*-Anna Marie Cox, Castle Gram Editor*

### AEMA News and Changes

**2005-2006 awards were presented at the Army Engineer Memorial Awards' Luncheon at the Fairfax on May 7th. Congratulations to this year's recipients! See page 5 for more information about these incredible winners!**

**Looking ahead to next year's awards: The application forms will become available Fall 2006. Please note there will be a change in the deadline or due date for the applications. They will be due February 15, 2007. This past year the applications were due on March 1st. We are hoping to be able to offer a new scholarship that will be available to high school seniors who intend to enroll in a program leading to a nursing certification at an accredited college, university, or technical school. Please watch for details this fall!**

**ARMY ENGINEER MEMORIAL AWARDS**  
(Your Contribution Is Tax Deductible)

Amount of Contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Contribution \_\_\_\_\_

(Please make your check payable to **AEMA**)

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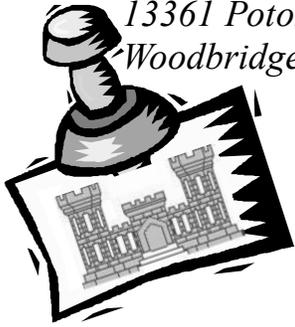
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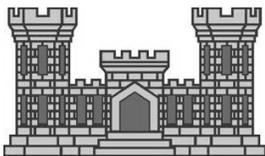
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Among the things we learned at the USACE briefing in February is there is actually a site for kids on the USACE website.

Go to [education.usace.army.mil](http://education.usace.army.mil) and check it out.

[www.aeowc.com](http://www.aeowc.com)



Coming up OCTOBER 8, 2006!! Check out their website for more information: [www.armytenmiler.com](http://www.armytenmiler.com). Those of you who wish to race—register soon. Registration tops out at 24,000 participants and it is anticipated this goal will be reached in July (as of 5/17/06 there were already 15,000 registered). If you are interested in Volunteering, there is a link on the website for Volunteers.