



MESSAGE TO THE REGIMENT #71:

“The Engineer Blast”

4 December, 2009

A. Overview: The Office of the Chief of Engineers is pleased to forward this 71st version of “The Engineer Blast”.

Thanks for all you do and stay safe – enjoy the “BLAST!!”

[Year of the NCO](#)

NOTE: In order to further enhance communications from the major entities of the Engineer Regiment to the field, the Office, Chief of Engineers (OCE) is facilitating a process to spread Engineer knowledge from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), The United States Army Engineer School (USAES), Engineer Branch, other Engineer agencies, and our office in the Pentagon. All links should work for .mil computers.

Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates announced that the President has nominated:

Major General Thomas P. Bostick, United States Army, for appointment to the rank of lieutenant general and assignment as Deputy Chief of Staff, G-1, United States Army, Washington, DC. He is currently serving as Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff, Army, United States Army, Washington, DC.



Major General Don T. Riley, Deputy Commanding General, United States Army Corps of Engineers and Deputy Chief of Engineers has been selected to serve as Senior Engineer, U.S. Army Central (ARCENT) Coordination and Support Element - Afghanistan

Recent Senior CSM Moves

CSM Michael Balch is the Supreme Headquarters Allied Power Europe (SHAPE) Senior Enlisted Leader

CSM Gerald Kinloch is the 1st BCT, 4th ID CSM

CSM Kevin Bryan has been selected to be the 1st Engineer Brigade CSM

CSM Sterling Otto has been selected to be the 555th Engineer Brigade CSM.

Transatlantic Division Forward needs your skills. Multiple positions needed for titles below.

Project Manager	O-3/4	GRD, GRS Iraq
Construction Manager	E-6-9	GRD, GRS Iraq

One-year tours commencing on/or about Feb 2010.

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The Office of the Chief of Engineers still needs high quality photographs of your Engineers in action (any era and any facet of Engineering). We intend to select from your submissions photos to frame and display in our offices in the Pentagon. We will put the remainder in a digital photo frame to display in the Chief of Engineers office. Please rename your photos using the following naming convention: UIC-approximate date-extremely brief description. (Example: W00AAA-mm/dd/yy-Convoy to Baghdad) Then load into AKO folder (permissions may be required) <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/folder/17911695> . In the description place your rank and name. If you don't have access to AKO send photos to DAEN-ZC@conus.army.mil ‘

B. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) provides the following information: "Corps e-spondence" – Chief's Blog

1. Please join me in congratulating three of our Senior Executive teammates who have received the 2009 Presidential Rank Award:

Mr. James Dalton, Chief, Engineering and Construction Division (Meritorious)

Mr. Lloyd Caldwell, Jr., North Atlantic Division Programs Director (Meritorious)

Mr. Earl Stockdale, Jr., Chief Counsel (Distinguished)

These distinguished senior leaders represent the very best and they set the standard in their profession. They have shown how passion for what they do energizes their talent and energizes their organizations. This award recognizes their leadership in taking the Corps from Good to Great through their contributions to the Campaign Plan goals and objectives.

Again, congratulations to James, Lloyd and Earl. We are proud of you! Thank you for your service to the Corps, Army and the Nation.

Best,
Van
BUILDING STRONG

2. **Homeowners Assistance Program (HAP)**: The Department of Defense has announced details for the temporary expansion of the Homeowners Assistance Program (HAP). Using \$555 million in funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), this program is designed to partially reimburse eligible military personnel, surviving spouses, and federal civilian employees whose service to the nation has required them to relocate and sell

their primary residence at a loss. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers executes the program for all the military branches and HAP administrators will immediately start processing applications.

3. If you are a looking for an [Engineer position opportunity, check this link for availabilities](#). Some postings may not be with USACE. Many new listings with outstanding opportunities and potential to excel.

4. **Engineer Publications:** [Engineer Memoirs: Lieutenant General Arthur G. Trudeau](#)

5. [The Gulf Region District \(GRD\)](#) GRD provides the following information: Employees of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Gulf Region District celebrated Thanksgiving at Camp Wolfe on the Victory Base near Baghdad, Iraq. On the menu was roasted pig, with a long table full of homemade side dishes and desserts. [More](#)



Type	Release Date	Title	Photos	Region	Author
People	11/21/2009	USACE engineers tackle Kirkuk road projects	Hi-Res	GRD	Mike Scheck
Project	11/14/2009	USACE completes Taji aviation maintenance facility, barracks	Hi-Res	GRD	Mike Scheck
Project	11/13/2009	Seventy-two-year-old Kirkuk Library gets major facelift	Hi-Res	GRD	Mike Scheck
Project	11/9/2009	Gulf Region District engineers tackle Adhamiyah sewer issues	Hi-Res	GRD	Mike Scheck
Project	11/5/2009	New Aviation Brigade to improve safety at Ali Air Base	Hi-Res	GRD-S	Alicia Embrey
Project	11/4/2009	USACE project to improve quality of life and environment in Nasiriyah	Hi-Res	GRD-S	Alicia Embrey

6. [Afghanistan Engineer District North \(AEN\)](#)

AED Virtual Family Information Site: The virtual Family Information Site is the Afghanistan Engineer District's non-intrusive way that will help to alleviate stress on families by providing 1) Smooth lines of communications in the event of a crisis at home and 2) Resources to inform and support families back in the states. The support of families at home has been crucial to the success here. [More](#)

Corps of Engineers helps get Kabul International Airport up and running: KABUL, Afghanistan - In the spring of 2009, commercial airline traffic in Afghanistan was nearly non-existent. At Kabul International Airport, (KIA) air traffic was mainly military fixed wing and rotary aircraft. But an international effort by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Afghanistan Engineer District-North and other organizations is helping to make KIA more accessible. [More](#)

7. [Afghanistan Engineer District South \(AES\)](#)

Under-Secretary of the Army, honorable Joseph Westphal visits AES: Nov. 27, 2009 - AES was fortunate to host the Under-Secretary of the Army, honorable Joseph Westphal. AES leadership presented the command brief highlighting the work the Corps is doing throughout Afghanistan. The Secretary took the time to talk to the AES staff and present awards to Sgt. Marie Vernon and 1st Sgt. Timothy Forte. [More](#)

Date	Title	Author
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12/3/2009	AED-South Commander's Message - COL Kevin J. Wilson	COL Kevin J. Wilson
12/3/2009	AED-South CSM Message - CSM John S. Werner	CSM John S. Werner
12/2/2009	New military accommodations at Kandahar Airfield	Staff Sergeant David K. Flaherty

The Freedom Builder: The on-line Field Magazine of the Afghanistan Engineer District: [November 09](#)

8. The following information is provided by the 412th Theatre Engineer Command—LTC Forte

The 412th TEC sends its best wishes for a merry Christmas and happy New Year to all of our Soldiers deployed around the world and to our regiment. In this season of holidays, it is now that we feel the absence of our friends, family members and co-workers most keenly. It is also a time to feel great pride and appreciation for their contributions to our lives. Our regiment is engaged throughout the globe in war zones and peaceful lands alike, all for the benefit of humanity without regard to race, creed, or heritage. Therefore, as we prepare for the coming year and celebrate the hopeful times of holidays such as Christmas and Hanukkah, we do so with the warmest regards for those who comprise this intrepid Corps of Engineers, Essayons!

Overseas Contingency Operations: Currently, the 412th Theater Engineer Command (TEC) has eleven units mobilized in support of Overseas Contingency Operations. Additionally, the 412th TEC is now conducting staff planning in support of the pending mobilization of eighteen additional subordinate units. Adding to the overall number of Soldiers deployed or preparing for deployment the 412th TEC and our subordinate brigades are filling 92 individual mobilization requirements worldwide.

The 412th and the 416th TEC continue staff coordination with the United States Army Corps of Engineers in support of planning for future contingency operations support and are preparing cooperative training events designed to ensure the seamless integration of each element in the others operations and contingency responses. Engagements between the TEC's continue to capitalize on opportunities for each command to compliment the others readiness for operations worldwide. Additionally the TEC's are collaborating in the effort to assist USACE in the updating of the USACE Campaign Plan in order for it to reflect the existing and emerging relationships between the TECs and USACE.

Mobilization Augmentation Staff (MOBAUG) Opportunities: The 412th TEC is soliciting for volunteers with the military and/or civilian skill sets to fill vacancies for the following duty positions:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Duty Location</u>
E6	G3 Mobilization NCO	Vicksburg, MS
E6	Perms/ Perstempo NCOIC	Vicksburg, MS
E6	Human Resource NCOIC	Vicksburg, MS
E7	SRP NCOIC	Vicksburg, MS
E7	G4 Movements NCO	Vicksburg, MS
O3	Assistant JAG	Vicksburg, MS
O5	Nurse Staff Officer	Vicksburg, MS

Volunteers will mobilize for a minimum of one year with the possibility of a two-year CONUS mobilization at the Headquarters, 412th TEC in Vicksburg, MS. Soldiers will be working deployment and redeployment issues under the oversight of the G3 MOB/Readiness section. Interested Soldiers will submit a Biographical Summary or equivalent military resume identifying qualifications to 412th TEC, G3, Mobilization / Readiness. Soldier must meet the following: Height/Weight standards; Army Physical Fitness Standards; possess a valid security clearance of SECRET or higher; maintain a deployable medical readiness status.

Point of contact is MAJ Steve Simmons, Mobilization Officer, 601-631-6189, steven.simmons@usar.army.mil. Alternate points of contact are CW5 Samuel Shropshire, samuel.shropshire@usar.army.mil, 601-631-6118, and LTC Marshall D. Banks, Chief, Mobilization and Readiness marshall.d.banks@usar.army.mil 601-631-6148.

9. **The following information is provided by the 416th Theatre Engineer Command: CPT Olodun**

On 1 DEC the 416th stood up its support to ARNORTH/USNORTHCOM by way of Regional Joint Task Force - C (RJTF-C), an initial 15 personnel planning cell to conduct initial staff operations to support the DOD response to the H1N1 Pandemic Influenza Outbreak.

Castle IRC Initial Planning Conference completed this weekend for Engineer Task Force participation this summer at Fort Dix, NJ and Fort Hunter-Liggett, CA.

The commander of the 416th Theater Engineer Command, MG Paul E. Crandall, signs an Employer Partnership on Behalf of the Army Reserve with Navistar Defense Parts Group Vice President Merrit Becker. (See picture below)



10. To view ["The Corps Environment"](#), a quarterly newsletter, you are invited to click on the hyperlink:

11. [Emergency Temporary Power Mission Update – 22 October 2009](#)

C. [The US Army Engineer School \(USAES\)](#) provides the following information:

From the Commandant:

As I make my way around the Regiment, one of my key messages is that this Regiment of Engineers is both a profession and a family – driven to serve the maneuver commander and solve his most complex problems as Engineers. The holidays in November remind us of the importance of family on many levels. From Veterans Day to Thanksgiving, we begin the month honoring our special family of Veterans...and end the month by celebrating the blessing of our immediate family at Thanksgiving.

My thoughts of late have centered around our Family of Engineers serving selflessly in this era of persistent conflict. CSM Wells and I are proposing that we as a Family erect a monument to those Engineers who gave their all in support of combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. We propose a monument made of "Missouri Red Granite" fashioned in a T-Wall design that will bear the names of our fallen Engineers (see illustration below). We further recommend that it be placed in the Engineer Memorial Grove where our Sapper monument and our tribute to Engineer Medal of Honor recipients now stand. Engineer Memorial Grove is where our youngest Soldiers – new entrants into our profession -- come to get pinned with the Regimental Crest. It is where many reunions gather to pay tribute to their own...it is a place that I consider the headwaters of our Regiment

and profession. We have specifically designed this monument so that additional sections can be added as this war continues; each year at ENFORCE the new names will be added and the Soldiers memorialized. Our goal is to unveil the first sets of T-Walls at ENFORCE this April.

Essayons! Lead to Serve!
Watson



Artist rendering of the Engineer Memorial

Engineer Personnel Proponency Office:

Team: The 2010 Engineer Officer Accessions resulted in a significant increase in the number of degreed Engineers accessed into the Regiment. In order to maintain this momentum the United States Army Engineer School 2010 Engagement Plan has been established. The Engagement plan is a dynamic effort to inform students, cadets, cadre and university faculty of the benefits and opportunities within the U.S. Army Engineer Regiment and help them make an informed career decision. We have selected 13 universities for the 2010 engagements. We are currently seeking Captains and Lieutenants whom are alumni of these universities; we are willing to fund these officers travel, and lodging if they participate in the program - subject to available funding; we are also open to more senior officer alumni from these universities to join us as well; however for the more senior officers it is your command's responsibility to provide your funding.

Please use the following link to access the 2010 engagement presentation which lays out the dates we will visit each university. <https://www.us.army.mil/suite/files/16360760>

If you are alumni of one of the universities in the 2010 USAES Engagement Plan and would like to participate please contact LTC Keith Dupont, Chief, Engineer Personnel Proponency Office keith.dupont@conus.army.mil or (573) 563-7232.

Directorate of Training and Leader Development:

C4 ASI CRANE OPERATOR COURSE : In 2005 the Engineer School was tasked with the consolidation of the 21F10, 21J10 and 21E10 Construction Equipment Military Occupational Specialties (MOSs). Analysis determined that the Crane Operator training module would have to be cut from the new 21E10 Construction Equipment Operator course due to lack of training time available. That same year, crane accidents were reducing crane availability and causing unnecessary casualties. To fill the gap left by the consolidation and to address the safety related issues with current operators, a new Crane Operator Additional Skill Identifier (ASI) producing course was designed and developed by the Engineer School.

The new course expands on the previous crane operator course by providing the students with more hands-on training in moving unique loads such as 20' ISO intermodal shipping containers using required specialized lifting gear.

The new course now also includes instruction on a new Lift Requirements Determination form, which assist the operator in preparing for critical/noncritical lifts and now includes the chain of command in the process. Another training gap filled by the development of the C4 ASI course was the math proficiency required to

determine lift requirements. During the trials of the C4 ASI, it was quickly evident Soldiers needed an understanding of basic math and algebra specifically computing fractions, area, volume, angles, and percents. As a result of the math requirement, an online pre-exam was created which the Soldier must take and receive a passing score prior to attending the course. If a Soldier does not pass the pre-exam, a link is provided to a site for the Soldier to take a math refresher class. This math exam can be accessed on the Engineer Blackboard website at <https://www.blackboard.wood.army.mil/>

Upon recommending a Soldier for this new course, the Commander and supervisors should ensure that the Soldiers have a high level of math proficiency and if possible, pre-screen the Soldiers and fill any training requirements the Soldier needs for this course prior to the Soldier attending to reinforce the Soldiers successful course completion.

Upon successful completion of this course the Soldier is issued a certificate of completion and certification on Crane Operations. Each year the Soldiers will be required to update their certification by completing an eight-hour, online refresher safety course that is currently being developed.

For additional information about the C4 ASI course or questions about information within this article, please contact Mr. Brian Jenner @ brian.jenner1@us.army.mil or DSN 676-5944, Commercial 573-563-5944.

[UNITED STATES ARMY ENGINEER SCHOOL REQUEST FOR INFORMATION SYSTEM](#)

D. The Engineer/ Enlisted /Warrant/ Officer Branch provides the following information:

LOOKING FOR A NEW CHALLENGE?

12P (Former 21P) MOS

Want a challenging career that gives you hands-on experience with medium-voltage electrical power generation and distribution equipment, plus an automatic promotion to SGT? The U.S. Army's Prime Power Program offers this opportunity plus global travel.

- A year long course of intense electrical training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, an accompanied PCS move
- The high level of academic and technical training is virtually unmatched in the Army today
- Upon completion of the course, the Soldier is awarded 31-semester hours of credit from an accredited college.
- Awarded the 12P (formerly 21P) MOS with and additional skill identifier (ASI) of Mechanical (S2), Electrical (S3), or Instrumentation (E5) specialty
- Graduates of the course are certified power plant operators
- Skills are very competitive in Post-Army Career

Graduates of the Prime Power School receive promotion to SGT/E-5 through the SMAPP Program.

BEAR Reenlistment Program offers up to \$20,000 to re-class to Prime Power Production Specialist.

Visit the Prime Power School website for more information at

<http://www.usace.army.mil/PPS/Pages/Mission.aspx>

Here is the latest news from Engineer Branch at HRC:

The assignment officers will receive their latest batch of requisitions on 30 November. This will include all of the available assignments for the period between 1 March and 30 June 2010. If you have branch qualified captains or above with more than 2 years on station, they should make contact with their assignment officers after Thanksgiving to talk about spring and early summer moves. There will be another batch of summer assignments posted in February. Commanders – please anticipate your summer shortages now and let your G1 know. All of the Majors coming out of ILE in May 2010 will be assigned to shortages identified by your G1s in mid-December.

AFPAK Hands Program Update – Engineer Branch placed 12 officers in the AFPAK Hands Program in November, representing nearly 10% of the total program. These officers will receive 5 months of language training at DLI-Virginia, followed by a year in theater. After that year, these officers will return to either a joint assignment or to USACE. We anticipate 12 more AFPAK Hands assignments in April. If you have an officer (CPT thru LTC) interested in getting in early on this critical program, have them call their assignment officer.

NEW! The Branch Transfer Process has changed! Per MILPER Message # 09-243, HRC will conduct quarterly boards for branch transfers.... similar to enlisted “in and out calls” based on current branch strength vs gaining branch strength. Furthermore:

- * Officers granted a branch transfer incur a three year ADSO.
- * Must be a CPT or CPT (P) with less than nine years in service.
- * Officers with a current ADSO (except tuition assistance) are not eligible to transfer branches.
- * If not selected for a transfer, an officer can re-apply twice per fiscal year.

As a reminder, nominations for the White House Fellow program are due to HRC by 4 December.

Linked is the latest [Engineer Captains Newsletter](#).

E. The Office of the Chief of Engineers provides the following information:

1. **GEOINT Cells, MI and Engineer:** The Commandant of the Engineer School and CG of the Intel Center have agreed to have geospatial Soldiers in the BCT/DIV/Corps/ASCC move into the GEOINT cells under the G/S2. This is a shared proponenty and no modification to the GEOINT TOE design will be made without bilateral concurrence. The senior engineer at each level and the 215D warrant officer retain technical oversight of the geospatial Soldiers. We Engineers must continue to emphasize the broader role that geospatial Soldiers play in serving the entire staff across all of the Warfighting Functions. **In order to facilitate SCIF access, all geospatial engineers must submit a top secret security clearance request through their security manager, regardless of rank.**
2. **Engineer Fusion Cell and Engineer Warfighting Forum (EWfF):** OCE hosted the monthly Engineer Fusion Cell (EFC) held 2 December 09. The objective of the EFC is to facilitate synchronization of actions required to meet engineer pre-deployment, re-stationing, and transformation milestones in support of overseas contingency operations. The Brigade Engineer Battalion (BEB) was month’s spotlight topic and was presented by the U.S. Army Engineer School. The EFC took five action items from the field for resolution, and closed four actions from previous sessions. The EFC and EWfF will continue to provide a collaborative forum for senior engineers to exchange tactical, operational, and strategic engineer issues. The next Engineer Fusion Cell is scheduled for 27 January, 1200-1400hrs (Eastern).
3. [ALARACT 334/2009](#) - ACCURATE ACCOUNTABILITY OF HARRIS RADIO PRODUCTS IN THE PROPERTY BOOK UNIT SUPPLY ENHANCED (PBUSE): . (U) THE PURPOSE OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO DIRECT UNITS TO CONDUCT A 100% INVENTORY OF ALL HARRIS RADIO PRODUCTS AND ENSURE PROPER ACCOUNTABILITY IN PBUSE. A REVIEW OF UNIT PROPERTY BOOKS HAS REVEALED MULTIPLE DISCREPANCIES WITH THE PROPER RECORDING OF HARRIS RADIO PRODUCTS AND INCONSISTENCIES BETWEEN THE NUMBER OF HARRIS RADIO PRODUCTS ISSUED TO UNITS AND THOSE VISIBLE IN PBUSE.

***** Engineers in the National Capitol Region:** Each month the Office of the Chief of Engineers hosts an Engineer Round-up at the Crystal City Gateway Marriot Bin 1700 Lounge commencing at 1700 on the last Thursday of the month, excluding November and December. (We are considering doing this event quarterly) Engineers and those who support Engineers are more than welcome to attend. It is a great opportunity to catch up on what’s going on in the Engineer Community from a broad spectrum of perspectives. If you do not get an

invitation now, please notify me so that I can add you to the specific distribution list. Click here to be added to the email list [DAEN-ZC](#).

You can always find all the Messages to the Regiment at our AKO site are linked at the bottom of this document—AKO Login is required. For those having a hard time getting to the files that require an AKO logon, here is a [screenshot](#) to show where the files are physically located.

F: Topics of Interest: Army Physical Fitness Test (APFT) Policy Change

ALARACT 330/2009 - ARMY PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST (APFT) POLICY CHANGE

1. REFERENCES:

- A. AR 350-1, ARMY TRAINING AND LEADER DEVELOPMENT, 3 AUG 07.
- B. FM 21-20, ARMY PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST, 1 OCT 98.
- C. TC 3-22.20, ARMY PHYSICAL FITNESS TRAINING, DRAFT (NOT PUBLISHED)

2. PURPOSE: TO CLARIFY THE TYPE AND NUMBER OF PERSONNEL WHO CAN ADMINISTER THE APFT TEST.

3. TO ADMINISTER THE APFT, FIVE DUTY POSITIONS ARE REQUIRED:

- 3.A. OFFICER IN CHARGE (OIC) OR A NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICER IN CHARGE (NCOIC)
- 3.B. EVENT SUPERVISOR
- 3.C. EVENT SCORER
- 3.D. EVENT TIMER
- 3.E. EVENT DEMONSTRATOR

4. ADMINISTRATORS OF THE APFT MUST BE SOLDIERS CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE MILITARY TO INCLUDE THE RESERVE COMPONENTS. ADMINISTRATORS WILL NOT BE FAMILY MEMBERS OF SOLDIERS, CIVILIANS, OR RETIRED SOLDIERS.

5. SOLDIERS ADMINISTERING THE APFT MAY PERFORM MULTIPLE DUTIES DURING THE TEST EVENT. THE RESTRICTION IS THE EVENT SCORER CANNOT BE THE EVENT TIMER OR THE EVENT SUPERVISOR. HOWEVER, THE EVENT SUPERVISOR CAN BE AN EVENT TIMER.

6. THE ARMY TRAINING DIRECTORATE POINT OF CONTACT FOR THIS MESSAGE IS HQDA, DCS G-3/5/7 (DAMO-TRI) COL MAE M. GOLDMANN, DSN: 224-9853, COMM: (703) 614-9853, EMAIL: MAE.M.GOLDMANN@US.ARMY.MIL

7. EXPIRATION OF THIS POLICY CANNOT BE DETERMINED AT THIS TIME.

Army Showcases Modernization and High-Tech Equipment at Army-Navy Game

What is it? The storied rivalry between Army and Navy continues Saturday, Dec. 12, 2009, with the Army-Navy football game in Philadelphia at Lincoln Financial Field. Gates open at 10:30 a.m. and kickoff is at 2:30 p.m. See the game on CBS television network or hear it on radio over the Westwood One network.

Read More: http://www.army.mil/standto/archive/2009/12/09/?s_cid=email

Army Leader Development Strategy

What is it? The Army Leader Development Strategy is a document that articulates the characteristics we desire in our Army leaders as they progress through their careers. It establishes eight imperatives for the integration of policies, programs and initiatives to produce Army leaders, and it provides guidance for the career-long development of Army leaders through education, training, and experience.

Read More: http://www.army.mil/standto/archive/2009/12/10/?s_cid=email

The Bronze de Fleury Medal is awarded to Mr. Alton Parker, USASOC, Deputy Chief of Staff-Engineer



[Click here for more information:](#)

Photograph: From L-R

BG Palumbo, DCG USASOC, Mr. Alton Parker, USASOC, Deputy Chief of Staff-Engineer and his wife Shelia.
Submitted by LTC Frederic A. Drummond Jr. DCS-ENG-USASOC

G. Engineer Unit Highlight: [Phoenix Team \(NTC Live Fire Range Operations\)](#)

O/O Phoenix Team Executes Target Support, Horizontal Construction, and Vertical Construction Operations ISO of NTC Rotational Unit Life Fire Exercises.

Need some units to step up and provide their unit info to update this section.

This feature provides a venue for Engineer Units/Activities to post unit information. If you are an OIC/NCOIC of an Engineer Unit/Activity and would like your organization mentioned here, download the template and email back to me. All entries will be consolidated on a master page as they come in.

Engineer Unit Highlight: [Former Submissions](#)

H. Recurring Links [Engineer Casualties](#) ; [PASSAGES](#) ; [The Engineer Update](#) ; [Military OneSource](#)

[Essays Forward](#) ; [The Engineer Magazine](#); [Current PERSCOM Messages.](#) ; [412th ENCOM](#) ;

[The West Point Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering](#) ; [Engineering Knowledge Online](#) ;

[The USACE Installation Support Community of Practice Portal](#), [Topographic Engineering Center](#) ;

[United States Army Engineer Research and Development Center](#); [ADSO Incentives Program](#) ;

[The West Point Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering: Joint Task Force North](#) ;

[ENGINEER UNIT REGIMENTAL LINKS](#) ; [Maneuver Support Center of Excellence](#)

[Check your entire Official Military Personnel File \(OMPF\)](#) [Certify your new official photo \(DAPMIS\)](#)

[Submit your Command / CFD / SSC Preference Online](#) , [Check your Senior Rater Profile \(Dash 2\)](#)

[Check to see if HRC has received your OER \(IWRS\)](#) ,

I. Engineers Supporting Engineers—Professional Organizations Links:

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1. [Army Engineer Association](#) : [AEA News](#); [Army Engineer Association Programs](#); [Membership](#).

* For all engineer MOS soldiers, all ranks, all components: AEA will soon mail A SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP OFFER -- that will announce new benefits, services, family programs and FREE entries to a wide range of prizes. If you are not an AEA member now, we'll be happy to mail you the promo material. Please supply a preferred mailing address admin@armyengineer.com, and we'll mail you the new promotion info.

* A special opportunity: -- a Disabled Veteran business doing progressive collapse analysis is seeking Disabled / Wounded Structural Engineers. POC is Jack O'Neill at xd@armyengineer.com

* AEA is now on Facebook --
<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Army-Engineer-Association/154530869611>

* See Engineer Regiment NEWS at AEA website - <http://www.armyengineer.com>

* JOBS...after the Army: AEA has a complete online Career Center. You can learn about civilian opportunities autonomously. Research or survey the commercial job market with FREE (ANONYMOUS) resume post at the AEA CareerCenter online.

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a. AEA has new member benefits –including random awards each year –top random awards are round-trip air fares for 2 , and 48 other prizes. Every engineer soldier and USACE civilian can benefit from AEA membership –Join AEA.

b. AEA has a web page dedicated to Industry support to the Warfighter

c. JOBS...after the Army: AEA has a complete online Career Center. You can learn about civilian

opportunities autonomously. Research or survey the commercial job market with FREE (ANONYMOUS) resume post at the AEA CareerCenter online.

2. [Society of American Military Engineers](#) : [The Military Engineer Online](#) : [Membership](#) [SAME Current eNEWS](#)

a. **NEW DUES STRUCTURE:** The SAME Board of Direction adopted last week a new dues structure for the DOD, effective 1 January 2010—full details are on the SAME Linked In website (www.same.org) but here is the short version:

- All SAME members in uniform who are paid up in dues as of 31 Dec 09 will have their membership extended for the duration of their military service (active, Guard or Reserve) without further payment of dues.
- Uniformed officers and enlisted personnel will be offered a one-time payment of \$60.00 that will provide membership in SAME for the duration of their military career. Active duty military will be sent a notice each fall to update their contact information and Post affiliation.
- DOD civilians will be offered two membership options: 3-year Membership for \$45.00 or 5-year Membership for \$60.00. The 1-year and 2-year membership options will be eliminated.
- All SAME individual members may join two SAME Posts without additional cost.

If military members join between 1 Nov – 31 Dec 09, they will pay for one year (\$30.00 Enlisted, \$35.00 Young Member, or \$55.00 Regular Member) and then be extended for the duration of their career on 1 Jan 10, or pay \$60.00 after 1 Jan 10. So joining SAME in the next two months will save you money.

The SAME Board took this extraordinary action to increase DOD membership in SAME—we value your membership and your service to our nation. The Board wants to make it easy and inexpensive for our military to obtain the benefits that SAME can offer over your entire career—even though in some years you are not in a position to take advantage of your membership.

Please notify others within your organizations who may be interested in joining SAME at these reduced prices.

b. "The Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) is currently undertaking a grass roots effort to reach out to aspiring engineering and architects at local universities. SAME membership is FREE for students and also provides them opportunities for leadership, mentorship and potential internships or first jobs. To learn more about the SAME college outreach program and how to help set up a chapter at your university or a university near you, please visit www.same.org/college or send the Ben Matthews an email at samecollegeoutreach@gmail.com.

c. **Deployed Engineering Team:** Get *The Military Engineer and SAME News* delivered directly to you! Complete our [temporary deployment form](#) and we will send your SAME materials to you onsite while serving in your area of operational responsibility (AOR). This free service is just one of the many ways SAME salutes our members. [Click here to provide your temporary AOR contact information.](#)

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3. **TEOCSA (The Engineer OCS Association)**

4. [Army Engineer Officer Wives' Club:](#) AEOWC is a worldwide organization with members located wherever Army Engineers are stationed, or have retired. [Become a member](#)

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5. [Commercial Job Postings](#) for retired Engineers or those preparing to retire.

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