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The new construction projects coming to area military installations as a result of BRAC, combined with already planned projects, such as the National Interagency Biodefense Campus at Fort Detrick (pictured above), prompted Baltimore District to open onsite project management offices at Fort Detrick and Fort Belvoir.

District's military construction program to see sharp increase by fiscal year 2008

By Christopher Augsburger
Public Affairs Office

In May, Base Realignment and Closure became a reality. While the Department of the Army and the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations and Environment work to solidify plans that will efficiently manage the workload created by BRAC, Baltimore District has already begun preparing for the anticipated onslaught of new work.

Whether a base is gaining new

customers or losing current missions, Baltimore District can expect to be busy between now and fiscal year 2011, according to Bill Wilson, chief of Military Branch, Programs and Projects Management Division. Current BRAC plans project Baltimore District to receive a 500 percent increase in military construction over the next six years, totaling more than \$6.8 billion. The peak year for construction will occur in fiscal year 2008 when construction costs are expected to spike to more than \$2.5 billion.

"Our projects will range from building

new hospitals and training centers to closing down major facilities on installations that have lost missions," said Wilson.

More specifically, some of the largest BRAC projects in the District will occur at Fort Belvoir and Aberdeen Proving Ground. Along with currently scheduled military construction projects, the amount of work will stretch the workforce already in place.

In response to the expected demands, the District will set up program offices at

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Commander's Comment

Our support to Arlington National Cemetery

By Col. Robert J. Davis
Commander and District Engineer

I want to take a few moments to describe the rich history of the Arlington National Cemetery. ANC has become the honored place of burial for veterans of every war and conflict in American history. More than four million people visit ANC each year, and Baltimore District is honored with the responsibility of designing and constructing projects on this hallowed ground.

In 1778, the 1,100 acre tract was purchased by John Parke Custis, who was Martha Washington's son. John Custis was an aide-de-camp to Gen. George Washington and died in the Battle of Yorktown in 1781. Two of his four children, George Custis and Eleanor Parke Custis, were adopted by George and Martha Washington following his death.

Young George Custis inherited the property upon Martha Washington's death in 1802 and named the property "Arlington," which comes from the name of the original Custis estate on the

Virginia coast, granted to the family by the Earl of Arlington.

Later in the 1800s, the primary residence, called "Arlington House," was acquired by Robert E. Lee. At the outbreak of the Civil War, Gen. Winfield Scott offered the command of the Army of the Potomac to Gen. Robert E. Lee. Lee refused, citing the neutrality of his home state of Virginia and his intent to stay out of the divisive war. Lee later resigned his commission in the United States Army.

In 1862, the Union government seized Arlington House, and they held it against payment of \$92.07 in taxes, plus penalties. The government insisted the taxes be paid in person by a member of the Lee family, either the general or Mrs. Lee. Because crossing the "line" between North and South would mean capture and detainment for the duration of the war, the Lees had no choice but to allow the tax commissioners to give the property to the government for "war, military, charitable and educational purposes." On March 3, 1883, Congress appropriated the funds, and on March 31 the deed was signed. As a sign of national healing, Arlington House was later dedicated to Gen. Lee's memory.

Baltimore District supports Arlington National Cemetery with numerous ongoing projects. We are currently in the final phases of two construction projects: the Reception Building Renovation and Land Development 90. The land development project includes preparing the land, roads and utilities on approximately 40 acres and will yield 26,000 new graves and 5,000 niches along a boundary wall. The newly developed area will provide enough space for ground interments up until the year 2030.

Although you may not directly work on Arlington National Cemetery projects, "Team Baltimore" can take pride in knowing our historical past along with our current and future contributions to this national shrine! For more information concerning Arlington, I invite you to visit <http://www.mdw.army.mil>.



(Photo by Susanne Bledsoe, Information Management)

A Soldier pays homage at the *Tomb of the Unknown Soldier*, a gravesite in Arlington National Cemetery. Construction efforts by Baltimore District will yield an additional 26,000 gravesites for the cemetery.

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key locations to help manage the larger military projects. Ed Musial, Programs and Projects Management Division, was recently selected as the local program manager for military construction at Fort Detrick, and an additional program office is to be established at Fort Belvoir.

In addition to providing on-site project management, John Chubb and his staff from the District's Career Management Program have initiated a campaign to hire about 25 interns who can assist with the anticipated workload. Jeff Werner and Michele Bistany from the Bay Area Office attended the career fair at Virginia Polytechnic Institute Feb. 23 and focused on getting the most talented candidates for the Corps.

"Our mission in attending many university career fairs in the Mid-Atlantic region is to identify the best and the brightest engineers and architects and integrate them into the Corps' team," said Bistany.

The Department of Defense expects to release a plan to implement BRAC commission recommendations in the next few months. More than 800 installations across the country from the active, National Guard and Reserve

components will be affected, with about 40 percent of the changes affecting more than one service.

The general plans for implementing the BRAC recommendations will be in place later this month, according to Wilson. At that time, DoD will be in a better position to develop detailed implementation plans for each installation.

Fort Belvoir is the biggest gaining installation in the District, scheduled to gain about \$3 billion in construction mainly related to National Capital Region customers relocating to the installation. Construction will include a \$2 billion headquarter's campus, a state-of-the-art hospital, along with ancillary projects such as child development centers, access roads and physical fitness centers.

Aberdeen Proving Ground will experience large gains in research oriented missions. Some of the work there includes the Chem-Bio Defense Lab, Non-Medical Chemical Biological Administration Facility and an Army Research Lab Facility.

At Fort Detrick, BRAC will close the Flair Memorial Armed Forces Reserve Center and its organizational maintenance shop in Frederick, Md., and relocate U.S. Army Reserve and U.S. Marine Corps Reserve units to a new consolidated Armed Forces Reserve Center and organizational

maintenance support facility on the installation.

The implementation of this recommendation will enhance military value, improve homeland defense capability, greatly improve training and deployment capability,

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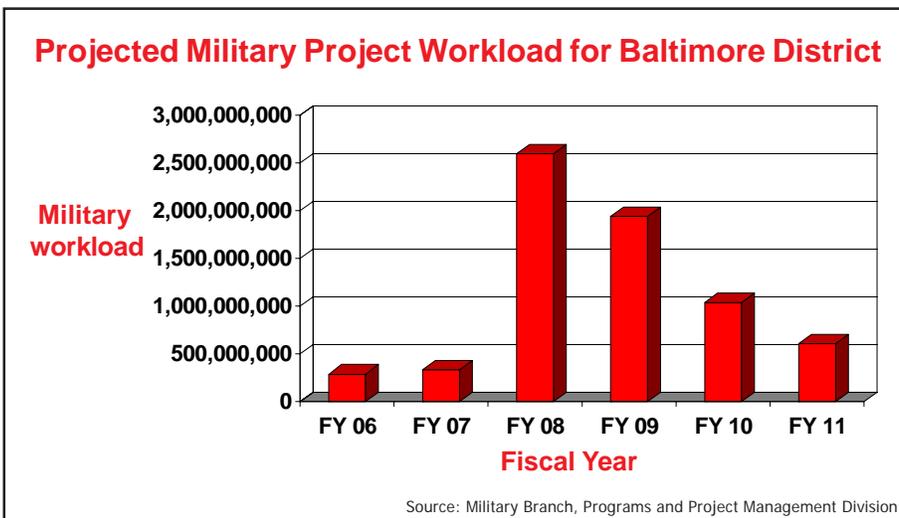
-Bill Wilson
Chief of Military Branch,
Programs and Project
Management Division

create significant efficiencies and cost savings, and is consistent with the Army's force structure plans and Army transformational objectives, according to the Secretary of Defense.

Fort Meade will receive customers ranging from various news and information services, such as Army Broadcasting Service, Soldiers Radio and Television, the Air Force News Agency and Army Hometown News Service, the Defense Information Systems Agency, the Deployable Joint Command and Control Program Office and the Joint Network Management Systems Program Office.

These relocations will consolidate headquarters agency components and realign scattered Combatant Commander Development and acquisition activities into a single activity at Fort Meade, according to the BRAC commission.

"We are excited about the challenges that these new missions will bring," said Wilson. "And we're looking forward to meeting every one of them."



'I've been afforded many opportunities'

Corps woman fulfills lifelong dream

By Joyce M. Conant
Public Affairs Office

For the first time, the Tioga-Hammond dam has a woman "manning" the controls.

Baltimore District's Truby Emerson was selected as assistant dam tender at Tioga-Hammond in January.

Emerson is no stranger to the Tioga-Hammond project, a modernized dam facility nestled among the mountains of northern Tioga County, Pa., used for flood control, water quality and recreational purposes.

She began her career with the Corps in 1995 as a seasonal maintenance laborer at the Tioga-Hammond recreation area campgrounds and became a permanent member of the maintenance staff in 2002.

Emerson, who made history in May 2002 by becoming the first fulltime woman in the field for the Baltimore District Operations Division, never saw her gender as a problem.

"There have been no difficulties for me being a woman," said Emerson. "I've been afforded many opportunities — if I've been willing to learn, there's been someone willing to teach," she said.

This was apparent last fall when Emerson volunteered for cross-training opportunities at the dam. She and some of her coworkers took separate 30-day stints learning the ins and outs of tending the Tioga-Hammond and Cowanesque dams.

"The training period takes time," said Gary Dillman, head dam tender at the Tioga-Hammond facility. "I wanted to give them the basic dam operation concepts and help them understand why things happen as they do."

Dillman said Emerson's gender doesn't influence him.

"I think we are at a place in life where it doesn't matter if you are a male or a female performing the job. What matters is having the necessary skills to carry out the duties," he said. "Truby has shown she is capable and has the incentive to carry whatever the task to a successful completion."

Under Dillman's guidance, Emerson is responsible for regulating the lakes discharge for flood control, water quality and recreation.

"I don't take this responsibility lightly," said Emerson. "We are protecting people's lives and property — we can't forget this and the importance of what we do."

"Experience is the best teacher," she said. "Monitoring the elevations of the lakes, becoming familiar with the dam and knowing the structures and surrounding grounds are all part of the learning curve.

"It also requires a lot of paying attention to the weather," she said. "It's important to learn how the lakes respond to the different weather conditions — snow, rain or frost."

Much of the dam's monitoring is done by automated systems and gauges, but getting out in the field to perform visual inspections is also required. Knowing the various steps requires a good knowledge of the system.

Emerson is an outside person who spends a good part of her personal time hunting or venturing through the woods.

"I love my job, she said. "I love nature. I care about the community we protect, and I care about the environment. "How can I have a bad day?"



(Photo by Joyce M. Conant, Public Affairs)

Truby Emerson enjoys the view at Hammond Lake. Emerson is the first female dam tender at the Tioga-Hammond facility.

Multiple projects making headway at Spring Valley

By Mary Beth Thompson
Public Affairs Office

The Corps continues to tackle the many projects that comprise the huge ongoing cleanup of Spring Valley, the 661-acre Formerly Used Defense Site in a residential neighborhood of Washington, D.C.

Lot 18 and vicinity

The negative-pressure tent, monitors and chemical agent filtration systems are gone from the tract known as “American University Lot 18.” The dig conducted within these strict engineering controls is complete.

Since the dig began in November 2002, workers have recovered more than 30 sealed glass containers and more than 120 munitions debris items. Lewisite and mustard, two chemical warfare agents, were identified during analysis of two containers. Agent breakdown products were found during analysis of three containers. None of the munitions items recovered were explosively or chemically configured, and none were found to contain chemical agent, although breakdown products were detected.

“The engineering controls, solid work plan and highly trained personnel at the site worked the way they were supposed to, protecting everyone during the recovery, identification and transport of these items,” said Craig Georg, who manages the military munitions projects for Spring Valley.

Workers are now digging in the open at one of seven other areas in the Lot 18 vicinity that were identified through geophysical surveys as potentially containing metallic items. The team plans to excavate a known burial pit in the same section of the FUDS in fiscal year 2007.

Soil removals

Extensive testing for arsenic in Spring Valley soil in 2001 and 2002 led to a list of 140 properties containing grids with arsenic above the agreed-upon cleanup level of 20 parts per million. Removal of soil began with the properties having the highest levels of arsenic. The work involves removing soil from contaminated grids, restoring with clean soil and sod, and

reimbursing the owner for damaged or destroyed landscape features.

In February, the 45th property was finished. Overall, about 62 percent of the grids with elevated arsenic levels have been completed. This work will continue through 2009.

Groundwater study

The first phase of the Spring Valley groundwater investigation involved the installation and sampling of 29 monitoring wells in 2005. Analytical results from four samples showed elevated levels of perchlorate, a compound that can affect the thyroid gland. Perchlorate was used at the World War I-era experiment station.

The highest concentrations detected, 70 and 60 parts per billion, were found in samples taken from monitoring wells installed near three known disposal pits on the southeastern side of the site.

“It appears likely the perchlorate is related to the burial pits, but the data we have so far is not sufficient to allow us to make a conclusive connection,” said Ed Hughes, project manager for hazardous and toxic waste projects. “In the next phase, we’ll take further investigative steps to gather information.”

Perchlorate was also detected at 48 ppb and 24 ppb in samples from two monitoring locations on the site’s southwestern side. Arsenic was found at low levels in six monitoring well samples and two surface water samples. An unconfirmed result of 0.16 ppb HMX — high melting explosive — will be monitored by the project team.

Phytoremediation study

The team wrapped up a second successful year of studying the use of ferns to remove arsenic from soil with an average reduction of 10 ppm during the 2005 growing season. Plans for 2006 are to continue the investigation by planting between 6,000 and 10,000 ferns in about 12 locations.

“We are making progress on trying to establish phytoremediation as an alternative cleanup approach for Spring Valley,” Hughes said.

Other Spring Valley work

Further project efforts include the geophysical survey and investigation of more properties, the plotting of a range fan, and a task force that studies and makes recommendations.



(Photo by Maj. Andrew Off, Programs and Project Management Division)

A worker takes a groundwater sample from a monitoring well in December.



(Photo by Christopher Augsburger, Public Affairs)

cube wall, saying "Excuse me," or otherwise letting your presence be known before launching a discourse. Do not stand outside a cube to conduct a conversation. Converse either in your cube or in that of your colleague.

- **Do not be a pest.** Do not use sign language or whisper to attract the attention of someone who is on the phone. Don't loiter outside someone's cube while you wait for him or her to finish a phone call. Come back at another time.

- **Respect meditation.** Think twice before interrupting someone who appears to be deep in thought. They probably are.

- **Be a soft talker.** Be aware of how your voice carries. Always use your "library voice" when speaking

in a cubicle environment.

- **Do not play with electronics.** Avoid using your speakerphone for conversations and voicemail retrieval. Also, if you listen to compact discs in your CD drive, use your headphones. There simply is no reason to subject others to your taste in tunes.

- **Turn your ringer down.** Try to pick up your phone after one or two rings. Set the ringer volume at a low level. When you leave your cubicle, turn your phone ringer off and let calls go to voicemail or forward your phone

number to your new location. Never leave your cell phone behind in your cube without turning it off or to vibrate.

- **Keep private matters private.** Do not exchange confidential information in a cubicle. If you would not want it published in the local newspaper, do not discuss it in your cube. Try to find a meeting room, or take your conversation outside.

- **Keep snacking to a minimum.** The smell, noise, and mess of snack foods may be offensive to others. Also, some people are allergic to certain snacks such as peanuts.

- **Decorate with taste.** Whether you furnish your office space with lava lamps and throw pillows or company

policy and flow charts, remember that your cube is viewed by others throughout the day. Keep the half-nude pop icons and risqué cartoons to a minimum. Others may be offended on moral, religious,

cultural or sexual grounds. Your cubicle gives your colleagues and people around you an impression of the person you are. Recognize that, and make sure that it does present a good impression. That means that it should be kept tidy and clean, with documents filed in their proper places.

- **Prevent distractions.** If possible, arrange your desk to face away from your cubicle opening. Less eye contact could mean fewer interruptions. Also, avoid eye contact with others walking by if you do not want to be interrupted.

- **Be cautious with foliage.** Although serving as good noise buffers, plants tend to drop leaves and leak water — and not only in your cubicle.

A conservative approach usually is better than cultivating a jungle. Others may have allergies to certain plants, so you may want to discuss ornamental horticulture with your work mates before bringing in the landscapers.

- **Respect privacy.** When working in a shared space, suggest to the others that you take lunch breaks at different times to allow each of you some quiet time.

- **Plan construction projects for after hours.** Rearrange your filing bins and reconfigure your shelving after most people have left for the day. Or do it on a weekend. Others may be trying to work during your renovation.

- **Get some exercise.** Resist the

urge to ask your cube neighbor a question "over the wall." Get up and stick your head around the corner, send an e-mail or

call on the phone to ask if your colleagues are available. Besides disturbing them, you will be disturbing everyone else by shouting out your query or comment.

If everyone remembers the golden rule — do unto others as you would have them do unto you — cubicle life can be bearable for all.

Editor's Note: Information for this article was compiled from "Cubicle Etiquette," an article that appeared in the November 2000 edition of Intercom Magazine; "Cubicle Etiquette," an article that appears on the Bremer Communications Website; and "Cubicle Clashes," an article that appeared in the Fall 2005 edition of Federal Workplace Solutions.

Quick Poll: What is your cubicle pet peeve?



"I am bothered by people who eavesdrop on telephone conversations and then come and talk to you about it and add their two cents."

Sharon Roland
Contracting Division



"I dislike when people talk too loudly on the phone, or stop to have a conversation in the hall in front of my cube."

Harold Clingerman
Planning Division



"Cubicles don't offer any privacy. Groups congregate outside my cube. They don't stop to consider that I have work to do."

Debbie Brown
Information Management Office

Cubicle Etiquette: Tips for surviving life in the goldfish bowl

Although more and more businesses and corporations are choosing the "cubicle-farm" as the preferred business climate, life as a worker in an 8-by-8 workspace can have its disadvantages. Perhaps one of the most common complaints among cubicle dwellers is the added noise and lack of privacy. Although workplace distractions are inevitable, here are a few tips to make life in the goldfish bowl a little more enjoyable for all.

- **Eavesdrop inconspicuously.**

Workshop focuses on communicating trust

By Chanel S. Weaver
Public Affairs Office

Corps employees from across the globe learned the importance of building trust within corporate relationships at the 10th U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Workshop. The workshop was held Feb. 16 at the Baltimore Convention Center during the Black Engineer of the Year Awards Conference.

More than 90 Corps employees attended the workshop and listened as a variety of speakers gave presentations on “Communicating Trust in a Global Environment,” the theme of this year’s workshop.

The morning session was dominated by a town hall meeting in which Chief of Engineers Lt. Gen. Carl A. Strock said that others should view Corps personnel as professionals who keep their word.

“Our organization is only as good as its people,” said Strock. “We have to maintain the public’s trust.”

After the town hall meeting, Strock answered questions from members of the audience and presented awards to three Corps employees.

Keysha Cutts, of Savannah District, and Richard Thomas, of Huntington District, were named Modern Day Technology Leaders. Brig. Gen. Robert Crear, commander of the Mississippi Valley Division, was honored as the 2006 Alumni of the Year for his outstanding performance during the recent hurricane recovery operations.

Although Crear was appreciative of his award, he said he could not have accomplished the task without the help of fellow Corps employees.

“We had an unprecedented disaster but an unprecedented response from the USACE team,” said Crear as he accepted the award. “Thank you for volunteering and for sending your people. I’m proud to have them on the team.”

Tyrone Taborn, president and chief executive officer of Career Communication Group, delivered the keynote address during the luncheon. Taborn commended the



(Photo by Chanel S. Weaver, Public Affairs)

Andrea Bias-Streat, a project management business process training manager in Programs and Project Management Division, poses a question during the Q-and-A session of the 10th USACE workshop.

Corps for its history of fostering a diverse workplace environment.

The workshop switched gears in the afternoon, when participants were divided into groups and invited to engage in open dialogue about communicating trust.

Tina Anderson, the Humphreys Engineer Center Support Activity project manager for the deployment of the project management business process and P2, HQUSACE, facilitated the group session.

During the session, Anderson asked each group to deal with such topics as “the effects of betrayal on an organization’s customers and stakeholders” and establishing guidelines for “how an organization can restore trust once it is lost.”

Although “communicating trust” was the theme of the workshop, the participants were also educated on other Corps initiatives, such as the Army’s career program, the Gulf Region Division, the National Security Personnel System and diversity.

Conference attendees agreed that the workshop succeeded in accomplishing its purpose.

That purpose — according to Patricia Rivers, chief of the Environmental Community of Practice within the Corps of Engineers — was to teach Corps employees the importance of being

faithful to their promises.

“We must remember that our actions must match our words,” said Rivers. “We have to be consistent in our behavior.”

“Our organization is only as good as its people. We have to maintain the public’s trust.”

-Lt. Gen. Carl A. Strock
Chief of Engineers

March is Workplace Eye Health and Safety Month

*Personal Protective Equipment:
Safety glasses, goggles and respirators can prevent on the job injuries from happening*

During this special month designated by *Prevent Blindness America*, workers are reminded to have regular eye examinations, and wear protective eyewear when needed both on and off the job.

The most common causes of workplace eye injuries are flying objects (bits of metal or glass), tools, particles, chemicals, radiation, or any combination of these hazards. There are three things

you can do to protect your eyes:

- Know the eye safety dangers on your particular job.
- Eliminate hazards before starting work.
- Use machine guarding, work screens, or other controls.
- Use proper eye protection.

Always use safety eyewear whenever there is a chance of eye injury. Anyone working or passing through hazardous areas should wear protective eyewear.

Safety eyewear includes prescription and non-prescription safety glasses, goggles, face shields, welding helmets, and full-face respirators.

The type of protection you need depends on the hazards in your workplace. If it is an area with flying objects or particles, you must at least wear safety glasses.



In honor of **National Nutrition Month**, the FEDS Fitness Center will be hosting two events:

Weight Management Seminar
Room 6500, City Crescent Building
March 23
12 -1 p.m.

Blood Pressure Screening
March 13-17
8 a.m. - 2 p.m. (daily)

Both events are open to members and non-members of the Fitness Center.

Officials from Port of Cotonou visit Baltimore

By Chanel S. Weaver
Public Affairs Office



(Photo by Chanel S. Weaver, Public Affairs)

Joseph Chaffa, director general for the Port of Cotonou, listens intently as Baltimore District officials share the results of a sediment testing project.

Several officials from the Port of Cotonou, a city in Benin, West Africa, visited Baltimore District last month.

During the visit, Baltimore District employees shared the results of soil samples taken from the port, according to Marc Randrianarivelo, who serves as the District project manager for the sampling project.

District officials also made recommendations for improving the soil quality at the Port in Cotonou.

In addition to visiting the District headquarters, the

port officials from Benin had an opportunity to tour the Port of Baltimore and meet with F. Brooks Royster III, the executive director of the Maryland Port Administration.

Joseph Chaffa, the director general of the Port of Cotonou, said he learned many things while he was at the Port of Baltimore.

“Baltimore’s port is spacious, well organized, and managed in a modern way,” said Chaffa.

“I hope that Cotonou and Baltimore can become sister cities.”

Chaffa said that the citizens of Charm City were quite hospitable, and he looks forward to visiting the city again soon.

“I received a warm welcome from the officials at the Port and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,” said Chaffa.

“I thank everyone for making room in their schedule to talk to us.”

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Baltimore District

Annual Awards Ceremony

Baltimore Convention Center
April 13
9:30 a.m.

Theme: “Our Tremendous Future”

All employees are encouraged to attend.



Poplar Island team earns recognition

By **Joyce M. Conant**
Public Affairs Office

The Poplar Island Environmental Restoration Project Delivery Team was presented the Commander's Award for Civilian Service at last month's project review board meeting.

The team received the award signed by Maj. Gen. Don T. Riley, Director of Civil Works, for its outstanding project execution and work performance.

The large, integrated team involving Corps personnel, researchers, scientists, contractors, sponsors and stakeholders successfully restored Poplar Island, which had eroded to a five acre area to a 1,140 acre wildlife habitat by using 40 million cubic yards of clean dredged material.



(Photo by Joyce M. Conant, Public Affairs)

Poplar Island team members who received the award last month were (front row, l to r): Chuck Frey, EN; Erika Mark, PL; Angie Sowers, PL; cutout of Scott Johnson, PP; Mark Mendelsohn, PL; Michele Gomez, PL; Mary Andrews, EN; Denny Klosterman, PL; Tom Myrah, EN; John Svitil, EN; and back row (l to r): Bill Abadie, PL; Greg Bass, EN; Ben Fedor, EN; Ollie Leimbach, EN; Jeff Lorenz, OC; Dan Bierly, PL; and Mike Snyder, EN.

Speakers Bureau

Maj. John Baker, Executive Office, spoke Feb. 1, to a group of engineers at Greenhorn and O'Mara in Laurel, Md., about Afghanistan and military programs.

Maj. John Baker, Executive Office, judged science fair projects on Feb. 14, at Middle River Middle School in Middle River, Md.

Steven Kopecky, Planning, judged science fair projects on Feb. 16, at Franklin Middle School in Reisterstown, Md.



Preserving the past...



(Photo by Chanel S. Weaver, Public Affairs)

Dr. Eugene M. Deloatch, dean of the school of Engineering at Morgan State University, served as the keynote speaker for the District's Black History Program Feb. 28. Deloatch's speech highlighted the origins of black fraternities and sororities and the necessity of building a sense of community with all people.



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