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WELCOME

The Legacy Resource Management Program

To recap the cultural resources FY09 pre-proposal review:

- 70 cultural resources pre-proposals were reviewed
- 40 moved forward
- 30 turned down
- = a 57% success rate!!

Of the 40 moved forward, the following list details the preproposals by Service sponsor:

- 7 Army
- 6 Air Force
- 18 DoD
- 3 Navy
- 6 USMC

Thank you to all of the proponents who submitted full-proposals by the 3 November deadline. The Legacy staff is happy to report the receipt of 39 cultural resources proposals with total requests of \$3.5 million. The combined natural and cultural resources request for funding totals more than \$14.1 million!

The Cultural Resources Review Committee will meet in mid-November to review the proposals. The selected proposals will then head up the chain for legal review and approval by the Deputy Undersecretary of Defense (Installation & Environment). The authors of the first round of successful proposals should be notified in mid-January.

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NEWS

Sustaining Military Readiness Conference

The Cultural Resources Track of the Sustaining Military Readiness Conference 2009 calls for abstracts. Abstracts should be approximately 500 words and pertain to relevant issues in the DoD cultural resources community. Please send your abstract to Hillori Schenker at hillori.schenker.ctr@osd.mil no later than 17 November 2008.



2008 National Preservation Conference

The 2008 National Preservation Conference, "Preservation in Progress" occurred in Tulsa, Oklahoma, October 21-25. The National Preservation Conference attracts approximately 2,000 historic preservationists from around the country.

As partners in preservation for the annual conference, the Department of Defense, via the Legacy Program, and U.S. Army share two complementary booth spaces in the exhibit hall, 12 complementary registrations, the option of being listed as a conference sponsor during conference promotion and on publications, complementary tickets to the closing party, and one educational session.

The U.S. Army hosted an education session entitled, "Preservation through Military-Community Partnerships." This session featured Carlisle, Pennsylvania as a test case for the highly successful Army-Community Heritage Partnerships Program (A-CHP). The A-CHP is a program which strengthens economic, historic, and social ties between Army installations and their neighboring downtown commercial districts.

Approximately 17 DoD employees attended the conference in several capacities. Speaking at the education session were Sara Streff and George Fritz; displaying at the poster sessions were Jennifer Boudreaux and Chris McDaid; in the Exhibit Hall was the Legacy Program and Preserving American Heritage booth that was staffed by several DoD representatives throughout the week.

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Did the Eisenhower's Sleep Here?

ARTICLE SUBMITTED BY FORT LEWIS CULTURAL RESOURCES PGM.



ON THE RIGHT: THE FORT LEWIS EISENHOWER HOUSE TODAY. IKE AND FAMILYLIVED HERE 1940-1941. **Left-hand Photo:** Plaque in sidewalk in front of the Eisenhower House, placed here by Tacoma citizens.

Historians on military installations encounter a challenge with the absence of long term residents to recall historic events. In civilian communities you can often find a long term resident who recalls historic details. These informants are able to fill in details and provide sufficient information to complete historical accounts. On a military post with its mandated and regular turnover it is difficult to find anyone who has lived or been on post for more than a few years. A few long term civilian employees provide institutional knowledge, but even here with more civilian employee turnover historians find fewer informants. Additionally, paperwork reduction rules lead to the destruction of records that could have a future value.

These challenges became very apparent when some visiting Fort Lewis veterans expressed doubts regarding the authenticity of the 2310 Clark Road house, identified as Eisenhower home. This home, marked with a bronze plague in the sidewalk, is said to have been the quarters of Dwight David Eisenhower during 1940-41. The citizens of Tacoma funded and placed the sidewalk plaque placed here on May 21, 1955. Located in the National Register of Historic Places eligible Broadmoor Housing area, it is a two-story, three bedrooms, brick house, completed in January 1934.

Lieutenant Colonel Eisenhower arrived at Fort Lewis in February 1940 to command the 1st Battalion, 15th Regiment, 3rd Division, and serve as the regimental executive officer. After years behind a desk Eisenhower was tremendously happy to be back with the troops. Not only was he pleased with his duty, but the family found themselves in a nice home and pleasant social life that included cook outs and a backyard vegetable garden. Ike's leadership skills were noted and on November 30 he became the Chief of Staff, Headquarters, 3rd Division. In March 1941 he was promoted to Colonel and went to the IX Corps as Major General Kenyon Joyce's Chief of Staff.

Further good news came to the Eisenhower family with son John S.D. Eisenhower's West Point appointment. Ike's career and family successes are described in John S.D. Eisenhower's book *General Ike: A Personal Reminiscence, 2003.* Colonel Eisenhower departed for Fort Sam Houston on June 24, 1941

and earned his 1st star on October 3, 1941. Within three years of his Fort Lewis tour he would be a four-star general and Theater Commander.

The Cultural Resources Program initiated a research project in a quest to memorialize the correct home. A first step was a review of the post housing records, but with housing privatization they had been destroyed. Next, published biographies, autobiographies, and Ike's Fort Lewis diary were checked. These sources described the house but did not give location information. However, photographs in these publications provide clues. One photograph showed Mamie and Ike cooking out at their Fort Lewis home. With it in hand a comparison was made of the brick courses at the Eisenhower home and they did not match the photograph. However, the brick courses matched the same design house across the street. This led to a more serious effort to document the "real" Eisenhower place.

A check of the Fort Lewis telephone books and Pierce County City Directories offered no answers. Ike's 1940-1941 letters to his friend Mark Wayne Clark lacked a Fort Lewis residential return address. The Tacoma and Fort Lewis newspapers had some coverage of Colonel Eisenhower, but nothing showing his home or giving an address.

Archival research at the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum came up with three photographs, including the cook out image of the house across the street. None of them provided an answer, but the photographer might have some additional information. The eminent historian and retired Brigadier General John S.D. Eisenhower had taken them in 1940 and 1941. In email and telephone conversations indicated that he had not taken the cook out picture and believed that Ike went across the street and cooked for a neighbor-something he would have done.

John S.D. Eisenhower had a clear memory of the home when he visited Fort Lewis in the 1990s and 2310 Clark Road, with the plaque, was without doubt the Eisenhower home. Among the lessons learned is that memorialization boards and cultural resources programs should collect and retain detailed historical data.

<u>Federal Agencies Establishing Guidelines to</u> Digitize Historical Materials

In October, the Library of Congress announced that a dozen federal agencies are launching an initiative to establish a common set of guidelines for digitizing historical materials. Basing its efforts on a combination of collaborative research and combined experience, the Federal Agencies Digitization Guidelines Initiative will address a variety of issues related to the complex activities involved in the digitization of cultural heritage items. For more information: http://www.digitizationguidelines.gov/



American Indians, Eglin workforce strengthen relationship

ARTICLE SUBMITTED BY JERRON BARNETT, EGLIN ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Representatives from four federally-recognized American Indian tribes recently visited Eglin.

The main objectives of the visit were for the representatives to meet with Eglin commanders and to learn more about Eglin's military mission and cultural resources management. Meetings of this nature give the tribes and Air Force leaders the opportunity to build their government-to-government relationship, improve communication and understand each party's perspective on cultural resources management.

Air Force policy requires installation commanders or their designated 0-6 representatives to meet periodically with designated representatives of each Indian tribe that is affected by the installation's plans, activities or operations. The Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Poarch Band of Creek Indians of Alabama and the Muskogee Creek Nation of Oklahoma are all culturally affiliated with this area.

Col. Rick LoCastro, 96th Air Base Wing vice commander, and other members of ABW leadership met with the representatives. They were joined later at lunch that day by Col. Arnold Bunch, Air Armament Center vice commander.

During the meeting, Col. LoCastro expressed Eglin's commitment to being good stewards of the land it manages to the group, as well as his respect for the cultures that lived here before.

While the group of representatives seemed to be enjoying themselves up to that point, a poster of the Airman's Creed that's located on the AAC's conference room wall caught the eye of Mr. Turner Bear Jr., who along with his wife, Joyce, were representing the Muskogee Creek Nation of Oklahoma.

"Sir, I noticed your Airman's Creed on the back wall, and it's very similar to what we believe in," Mr. Bear said to Col. LoCastro. "I just want to thank you and your people for all you do to protect this nation. You all are doing a great job."

After lunch, the representatives spent the rest of that day and all of the next day with the Eglin Cultural Resources staff. They toured various archaeological sites and discussed ways to streamline the consultation process for current and future Eglin actions. Eglin's Cultural Resources staff regularly consults with the tribes when Eglin actions affect cultural resources.

In all, the tribe representatives and Eglin felt it was a very productive and informative visit.

"We had a successful visit," Maria Rodriguez, Eglin

Cultural Resources Branch chief, said. "The impression I was left with was that we have more similarities than differences, such as the importance of heritage, family, and the protection of our history."

Dawn Hutchins, Seminole Tribe of Florida Tribal Historic Preservation Office compliance review supervisor, will share her positive experiences at Eglin with members of the tribe.

"I was greatly impressed by the level of science and research being conducted at Eglin," Ms. Hutchins said. "It was apparent that the (cultural) team at Eglin cares deeply for the various tribes and will do everything they can to maintain a productive working relationship."

US Preservationist Elected President of ICOMOS

Gustavo F. Araoz, IA, was elected President of the International Council of Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) during the organization's 16th General Assembly and International Scientific Colloquium, held in Quebec City, Canada, from September 29 to October 4, 2008. Mr. Araoz currently serves as Executive Director of the United States Committee for ICOMOS (US/ICOMOS), headquartered in Washington, DC. He is the seventh President of ICOMOS, and the first American ever elected to this office. ICOMOS was founded in 1965 to create an international network of professionals and supporters of heritage conservation and has grown to become the preeminent global historic preservation organization.

At last you do not have to worry about...

GIANT KIWIS (the bird, not the fruit)

A giant kiwi carved by NZ troops into an English chalk hillside above their camp immediately following WWI, at least in part to keep them busy while awaiting their troopships home. Covered during WWII, neglected during the '60s and '70s, and now maintained by our friends at the UK Ministry of Defence. (Yes, I am picking on the British, again! They just have neat stuff.)

http://www.nzdf.mil.nz/news/feature-stories/20080625-ock.htm and

http://www.mod.uk/DefenceInternet/DefenceNews/EstateAndEnvironment/BulfordKiwiGetsAFacelift.htm



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

COLLABORATIVE COMPETENCIES

PLACE: TUCSON, ARIZONA DATE: 5-7 NOVEMBER 2008

HISTORIC PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

PLACE: ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA DATE: 12-14 NOVEMBER 2008

GIS: PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS FOR CULTURAL

RESOURCE PRACTITIONERS

PLACE: Springfield, Massachusetts Date: 18-19 November 2008

IDENTIFICATION AND EVALUATION OF MID-20TH-

CENTURY BUILDINGS

PLACE: COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA DATE: 18-19 AND 20-21 NOVEMBER 2008

PARTNERS IN ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY

TECHNICAL SYMPOSIUM & WORKSHOP

(SERDP/ESTCP)
PLACE: WASHINGTON, DC

DATE: 2-4 DECEMBER 2008

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF AMERICA ANNUAL

MEETING

PLACE: PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

DATE: 8-11 JANUARY 2009

HISTORIC PRESERVATION LAW AND SECTION 106

COMPLIANCE

PLACE: JACKSONVILLE, FL & BREMERTON, WA DATE: 24-26 FEBRUARY 2009 & 21-23 APRIL 2009

INTRODUCTION TO CULTURAL RESOURCE

MANAGEMENT LAWS

PLACE: NEW ORLEANS, LA & St. Louis, MO DATE: 24-26 MARCH 2009 & 28-30 JULY 2009

AUTUMN HARVEST: PUMPKIN RISSOTO

RECIPE

3 cups pumpkin, peeled and cubed 5 cups chicken stock 1 cup dry white cooking wine

1/4 cup grated parmesan cheese

4 shallots, chopped 2 cups Arborio rice 1 tablespoon fresh sage salt/pepper to taste

DIRECTIONS

Wrap the pumpkin in aluminum foil and bake at 350 for 30 minutes. Sauté the shallots in a tablespoon or two of white wine, water or stock. In a separate pan, bring the stock to a boil, reduce heat to simmer. In a food processor, puree pumpkin and set aside. Add rice to shallots and cook 2-3 minutes over moderate heat, stir frequently. Add wine and cook, stirring constantly until all the liquid has been absorbed. Add the pumpkin and 1 cup stock, stirring constantly. After absorbed, add the rest of the stock 1/2 cup at a time stirring constantly until absorbed until the rice is cooked (about 15-20 min). The risotto should be thick and creamy in consistency and just a little runny. When done remove from heat, add the sage, parmesan, salt and pepper.

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LEGACY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

The Legacy program was established by Congress in 1990 to provide financial assistance to DoD to preserve our natural and cultural heritage. The program assists the DoD in protecting and enhancing resources while supporting military readiness. A Legacy project may involve regional ecosystem management initiatives, habitat preservation efforts, historic preservation projects, archaeological investigations, invasive species control, Native American consultations, and/or monitoring and predicting migratory patterns of birds and animals.

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