

# Network Noise

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## MONITOR MUSINGS

*Ken Baker, DOE/HQ*

### THE DYNAMIC DUO DEPARTS

Kevin Kiah and Nick Stockton have turned in their DOE/DynCorp badges and have headed down the road and across the river to work for Booz and Allen in Virginia. The duo departed in June and May respectively to put their magic on some new problems at Booz & Allen. Kevin may work part time to complete some business operations documentation for us. No more questions and concerns from the CAS crowd for the Nickster to solve or teasing K<sup>2</sup> about the Kiah solutions to life's predicaments.

All the best to these young men in their new endeavors.

### CAS CONCLUDES?

With the departure of the dynamic duo what do we do next? How do we top this CAS dilemma? Well, in true DOE tradition we hire consultants. Jesse Oak is going to be doing some testing, training, and technical brainstorming while Ken Rowe from DynCorp's DISS project. Ken will become our Power builder expert taking over the programming duties of Kevin and Nick. KR will be reviewing and checking the creativeness of the duo before the inspection, reporting and query modules are released to the users. Our new team has some short deadlines to get the

modules out of the garage and on the test track for some in-house and site speed trials. If you want to be a test driver let Brett or myself know and we will see to it that you get fitted with a test version of this high-speed compact CAIS model. If everything goes well we will be rolling out this baby at the Pittsburgh CAIS show.

After October, then what?

Well folks the MA-53 contractor support of the program may be coming to a close. The requirement for condition assessments does not go away. We will be providing all necessary documentation to the sites (i.e. software code, cost assemblies, schematics etc) for you to continue with CAS either through in-house sources or group continuation of the program through various contracting mechanisms you have at your disposal. DynCorp and Parsons Brinckerhoff are making plans to market their services and will be discussing this option in October.

It has been great working with everyone on this program. We have had a lot of fun and many laughs. I will never forget the Hog Smoke in Idaho Falls last year. That was one heck of a dinner and songfest.

I wish everyone the best in continuing their condition assessment programs. Do good work and keep in touch.

**Its what you learn after you know it all that counts.**

## **PANTEX - Post CAS**

*Bob Von Eschen, Pantex*

The new site management contractor "BWXT Pantex" is scheduled to take over on 01 October 2000, a team of Babcock & Wilcox X Technology, Honeywell, & Bechtel. Currently the CAS program does not exist at Pantex, and the inspection effort is slowly being replaced by an "In-Service Inspection" (ISI) program, for critical material facilities only. No word has been received on how the new management will handle the inspection requirements, but there is always hope that the CAS program will be reinstated. Hopefully more and good news in the future."



## **Facility Management, Surveillance, Inspection and Testing**

*Jane Nations, ETT CAIS Administrator*

The past few months have been a time of transition and adjustment for the CAS program, as we are working under the new FSIT contract at ETT. We are continuing to perform surveys for both deferred maintenance and facility status review. The data is continuing to be recognized as a valuable snapshot for facility condition and planning. This year information has been utilized to develop our year planning and budgeting for Bechtel Jacobs life cycle baseline

analysis, and is also being used in support of the facility demolition studies for the State of Tennessee. The inspection crew is also being utilized to support other walk-down efforts, which is beneficial to the "team" concept for the FMSIT contract.

## **Los Alamos Notes**

*David McIntosh, Los Alamos*

HI!! Life is beautiful at Los Alamos. We had quite a time with the fire, and we continue to perform damage assessments through the CAS process. CAS is the formal methodology for determining damage and cost estimates for the recovery process. I may be able to attend the October meeting. Not sure we will have any travel bucks, but I am working on it. Our model process has gone through a couple of refinements, and is working well for us. I would like to share the finer points with the CAS community at the next get-together in Pittsburgh if possible.

## **ORNL News**

*Terry Christie, ORNL*

All is well at ORNL. We have changed contractors and are under the management of UT/Battelle. There have been a number of changes but our group has remained in tact assisting in any way we can. We are currently working on asbestos inspection, CAS inspections, and facility identification and square footage verifications. We work with the PM group to identify equipment in the facility, use the infrared camera to diagnose problems, and take photos of various things throughout the facility. We remain very busy.

**Kindness is the oil that takes the friction out of life.**

## **Chairman Notes**

*Terry Christie, chairman*

The Morgantown site in Pittsburgh will host the next Network Meeting, October 23-26, 2000. This will be a very important meeting because we will get our final version, for free, of the CAIS2000 software and all the codes and documentation that goes with it. We will also have a two-day training session on the use of CAIS2000. It is uncertain what will become of our support after

this meeting so it is important for all sites be represented. The meetings and training will be held at the Pittsburgh site. The hotel that we have made reservations with is the Hampton Inn on Lebanon Church Road. The rate is \$79 per night which is the per diem rate. A block of rooms has been set-aside until September 22. You can make your reservations by calling (412) 650-1000 and asking for the CAIS 2000 rooms. I will send out a map of directions when it is closer to the time.

## **Preliminary Itinerary:**

Monday, October 23 through Thursday, October 26

### **Monday, October 23**

- 8:00-9:00am Meet at NETL Pittsburgh facility building 922  
Introduction to NETL
- 9:10-11:30am Site tour
- 11:30-12:30pm Lunch
- 12:30-2:30pm LCAM/CAS Business Meeting
- 2:30-2:45pm Break
- 2:45-4:30pm LCAM/CAS Business Meeting

### **Tuesday, October 24**

- 7:30am Meet at NETL Pittsburgh facility building 922  
Introduction to NETL
- 7:30-9:00am Shuttle to NETL Morgantown facility building 26
- 9:15-11:30am Site tour
- 11:30-12:30pm Lunch
- 12:30-2:30pm LCAM/CAS Business Meeting

2:30-2:45pm Break  
2:45-4:30pm LCAM/CAS Business Meeting  
4:30-6:00pm Shuttle to NETL Pittsburgh facility

**Wednesday, October 25**

8:00-11.30am CAIS 2000 Training Computer Training Room  
11:30-12:30pm Lunch  
12:30-4:30pm CAIS 2000 Training Computer Training Room

**Thursday, October 26**

8:00-11.30am CAIS 2000 Training Computer Training Room  
11:30-12:30pm Lunch  
12:30-4:30pm CAIS 2000 Training Computer Training Room