

PEO EIS Recognized for Efforts in Transforming Technology

By PEO EIS Public Affairs

THE FEDERAL 100

Mr. Douglas Wiltsie, PEO EIS, and COL Patrick Flanders, Project Manager, Army Enterprise Systems Integration Program, have been named 2013 Fed 100 award winners by Federal Computer Week (FCW). The Fed 100 is an annual award recognizing government and industry IT leaders who go above and beyond their daily responsibilities and use technology to transform their organization. Chosen by a select panel of leaders from government, industry and academia, Fed 100 award winners are the best of the best in government IT.



Mr. Douglas Wiltsie



COL Patrick Flanders

PEO EIS has a long track record of winners for this prestigious award and 2013 was no exception. Mr. Wiltsie and COL Flanders will be honored at the gala on March 20 at the Grand Hyatt in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Wiltsie was recognized for his strong commitment to rapidly deliver cost-effective, intuitive IT capabilities resulting in improved technology for Soldiers, better visibility for decision makers and collaborative working relationships across the department as well as industry. His efforts to encourage cost-conscious development, to improve communication, and to utilize commercial solutions were key factors in the award consideration.

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AcqBusiness Rolls out the Army Acquisition Dashboard

By Carla Faison, AcqBusiness Public Affairs

For the last year and a half, The Acquisition Business (AcqBusiness) program office has been hard at work prototyping, developing and piloting an executive dashboard to support the Army acquisition community. The Army Acquisition Dashboard (AAD) provides Army acquisition leaders with critical data from the Program Executive Office (PEO) level down to the program level including associated assessments, contracts, funding, risks, and schedules. The goal of the effort is to leverage outputs from existing authoritative data sources to allow for “one version of the truth.”

The AAD was developed in response to a request from Ms. Heidi Shyu, the Army Acquisition Executive and Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (ASA/ALT). Dashboards enable users to access raw data through a user-friendly computer interface, combining authoritative data from many functional areas with custom data visualization. This visualization allows leaders the ability to advance directly to decision making.

The Capability Needs Statement was developed in August of 2011, initiating a series of prototype demonstrations with leaders in the Army Acquisition community. The feedback gathered during these demonstrations incorporated the needs of acquisition leaders and helped to fine tune the AAD.


In October of 2012, PEO EIS and PM AcqBusiness provided a status briefing and a live demonstration to acquisition leadership. The briefing highlighted AcqBusiness' recent accomplishments such as the consolidation of portals and the reduction in servers – key time and cost drivers for the AAD effort. Following rave reviews and approval to move forward, the AAD was released on a limited basis in late October and



The Executive Dashboard represents a significant step toward the future in equipping Army Acquisition professionals with strategic, analytical, and operational business information via a single tool.

then made available to a wider community of acquisition professionals in December 2012.

With the initial release of the AAD, all Acquisition Category (ACAT) I data for Defense Acquisition Executive Summary reporting Army programs was made available to AAD end users. ASA(ALT) is formulating a policy and timeline to extend data reporting to include all Army programs except non-ACAT Programs. The ultimate goal of is to have data for ACAT I, II and III programs available in the AAD and to conduct Army program reviews from the AAD rather than from manually-generated PowerPoint slides.

AcqBusiness continues to add capabilities and new information from authoritative sources as data becomes available. Training opportunities are listed in the calendar on the Army Acquisition Business Enterprise Portal (AABEP). To request access to the AAD, visit the AABEP at <https://acqdomain.army.mil> and click on the “Request Access” link next to the “Army Acquisition Dashboard” link. 

LTC Chase Martin Honored with the 2012 Workforce Achievement Award for Acquisition in an Expeditionary Environment

By Roger Lotz, Biometrics Public Affairs

LTC Chase Martin, Assistant Product Manager, Joint Personnel Identification (JPI) received the Workforce Achievement Award for Acquisition in an Expeditionary Environment at the Hall of Heroes in the Pentagon on December 17. The Honorable Katrina McFarland, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, presented the award on behalf of the Honorable Frank Kendall, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics (USD(AT&L)).

These awards recognize outstanding performance by members of the Defense Acquisition Workforce in the acquisition of products and services for the Department of Defense (DoD). This program recognizes individuals within DoD, military and civilian, who represent the best in the various acquisition workforce disciplines.

LTC Martin was nominated in the Acquisition in an Expeditionary Environment category and was cited for his efforts



LTC Chase Martin receives the Workforce Achievement Award for Acquisition in an Expeditionary from the Honorable Katrina McFarland

and accomplishments while serving in Iraq as the PM DoD Biometrics (Forward). 🌐

**Congratulations to LTC Martin
for this prestigious award!**

IPPS-A Individual Awards and Certificates

By PEO EIS Public Affairs

The Deputy Project Director, Mrs. CherSharon King, was selected and completed a very competitive acquisition School of Choice advanced degree completion program, Strayer University. Selected from the Army professional acquisition corps community to complete the master's degree program, Mrs. King surpassed the stringent minimum 3.5/4.0 grade by



finishing with a perfect 4.0/4.0 and was awarded the master's degree in acquisition and contracting. 🌐

A Hot Time at the 2012 PEO EIS Chili Cook-Off Fund Raiser!

By PEO EIS Public Affairs

Eleven participants created mouth-watering chili for the 2012 PEO EIS Chili Cook-off competition and attendees agreed that it was an exciting and tasty competition. Expert chefs included defending champion Samuel Massenberg, OTSD; along with Steven Alvarez, BTD; Jill Brannam, PMD; Robin Brown; David Douglas, PMD; Thomas Dunaway, OTSD; James Kline, OTSD; Jo Manson, PMD; Irina Nguyen, PMD; Eileen Reichler, PMD and Kathleen Watson, OTSD. Several chefs revealed some of the sources of their trademark flavors. Secret ingredients included beer, bourbon, chocolate, cilantro, cinnamon, coffee and mint.

For a small donation, attendees received not only generous tastings of each chili pot but also a full bowl of chili of their choice. Participants voted for their favorite chili by placing a chili bean in the cup in front of the chili they thought was the best overall. Proceeds from the fund raiser were donated to the Wounded Warrior Project.

This year's judges were Deputy PEO Terry Watson (DPEO), PMD Project Director Victor Hernandez, CIO Hari Bezwada and Legal Counsel Penny Rabinkoff. Judges sampled all entries then convened for a very difficult and highly deliberated decision – Best chili in PEO EIS!

Based on attendee votes, the winner of the People's Choice Award went to Robin Brown from AKO with her popular White Chicken Chili. Along with a PEO EIS Chili Cook-off apron, Robin also received a gift certificate from Red, Hot and Blue restaurant.

Presented with the Judge's Choice Award and EIS Chili Cook-off apron, new EIS Executive Officer, Tom Dunaway, was recognized for his outstanding *Last In First Out Chili*. Tom also received a gift certificate at Clyde's restaurant. DPEO Terry Watson presented the 2012 awards.

Jill Brannam served as the event coordinator with strong assistance from the PMD staff. Special thanks to Jeannette Deskins for managing logistics and day of activities flawlessly. 🌐

All of those in attendance agreed – we can't wait for the 2013 competition!!!



Judge's Choice Winner: Tom Dunaway

People's Choice Winner: Robin Brown



Peter Bartley serving up a heaping serving of his contribution to the Chili Cook-Off contest.



Deciding on the best chili recipe was a tough job for our judges Mr. Bezwada, Ms. Watson and Mr. Hernandez.



Tom Dunaway gives his award-winning chili a last minute stir.



Jill Brannam explains to Jim Bross and Jo Manson that the table settings must be just so...

Derek Pollard with Melissa Moreau adjusts his waist-line before indulging in some chili.



Jeanette Deskins is having way too much fun as she collects money from the attendees.



...and the winner of the 2012 PEO EIS Chili Cook-Off is...!

Chief Information Office Rolls Out Enterprise SharePoint 2010 Portal

By Lauren Pavlik, CIO Office

The PEO EIS Chief Information Office (CIO) has successfully deployed an enterprise SharePoint 2010 capability, which will allow us to better leverage knowledge resources across the enterprise. Our tacit knowledge processes are being transformed into efficient, IT-based workflows accessible through one, cohesive knowledge management portal. This effort reflects the PEO goals of users across the PEO EIS enterprise conducting their business on the portal by the end of fiscal year 2013.

This “one-stop-shop” for content management will enhance PEO EIS’ collaboration efforts and will revolutionize the accompanying business processes. For example, a number of existing processes or data calls have been automated including SACO, SCAR, policy management, contacts, organizational charts, Program Management Directorate’s Top Five, weekly staff call slides and TDA. Many solutions have either been deployed already or will be in the very near future.

In addition, programs successfully migrated from previous SharePoint instances to SharePoint 2010 include: Acquisition Business, Installation Information Infrastructure Modernization Program and Power Projection Enablers. All programs have



Illustrated here is the homepage to the portal where one can begin their SharePoint 2010 adventure.

their own site collections to perform their own content management including migrations from Army Knowledge Online or share drives.

Training is available to all on the portal’s homepage via the “Training” tab. If programs would like more hands-on training, please contact the CIO Knowledge Management team for information.

Please add to browser favorites: <https://peoeis.army.mil/>

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COL Flanders’ award was based on his tireless dedication to the mission, his careful consideration of the budget in a dynamic fiscal environment, and above all, his ability to meet Soldiers’ needs today while anticipating the requirements of tomorrow. COL Flanders has successfully applied a Soldier’s understanding of logistics to the acquisition process, leading to the successful adoption of transformational capabilities by the Army logistics community.

This year’s winners included 75 from the federal government, 22 from industry, two from academia, and one from state

government. The federal government honorees spanned 56 civilian agencies, 15 from defense sector and four from Capitol Hill. These individuals represent a wide range of accomplishments, such as guarding against the next wave of cyberattacks and deploying mission-driven big data projects. Profiles of all winners will appear in the March 30 print issue of FCW magazine and in mid-March in the online version at FCW.com.

Congratulations to our 2013 award winners!

DoD Biometrics: A Year of Change

By Roger Lotz, *Biometrics Public Affairs*

DoD Biometrics has embraced a year of change in 2012. The Secure Electronic Enrollment Kit (SEEK II) biometric handheld device replaced the Handheld Interagency Identity Detection Equipment (HIIDE) device which first fielded in 2006. The SEEK II device will provide a much needed technical refresh along with enhanced performance and capability.

In early 2012, COL Sandy Vann-Olejasz, DoD Biometrics Project Manager, stated to stakeholders, "In order to continue to provide DoD biometric capabilities, we have to get the deliberate acquisition products established."

The Army determined that in order to support the pending acquisition programs to provide two Central Selection List (CSL) selected LTCs and transitioned the positions from Product Director to Product Manager. In February, Biometrics wel-



Biometrics welcomes LTC Jackquiline Barnes as the Product Manager of Joint Personnel Identification (JPI) and LTC Eric Pavlick assumed the charter as the Product Manager for Biometrics Enabling Capabilities (BEC).

comed LTC Jackquiline Barnes as the Product Manager of Joint Personnel Identification (JPI). In April, LTC Eric Pavlick, a fixture within Biometrics, assumed the charter as the Product Manager for Biometrics Enabling Capabilities (BEC). The program did, however, say goodbye to two biometric pioneers—Maggi Patton (JPI) and Greg Fritz (BEC). We wish them both the best of luck in their new opportunities.

By year's end, Ronald Miller, a veteran of PEO EIS, joined the ranks as the new operations officer. And, Felecia Phillips-Welch joined Biometrics from Mobile Electric Power as the business manager.

Biometrics is looking forward to a banner year in 2013, complete with approved capability development documents and the right team to accomplish great things. 🌐

DWTS Procures New Modems

By Craig Powderly, *DCATS Operations Director*

Defense-Wide Transmission Systems (DWTS) signed a \$36.3 million contract with L-3 Global Communications Solutions to procure approximately 3,800 modems to replace outdated Combat Service Support (CSS) Very Small Aperture Terminal (VSAT) hardware at more than 40 locations across the globe.

A part of the Defense Communications and Army Transmission Systems (DCATS) organization, DWTS is now in the middle of a rigorous planning process for the modem installations, which are expected to commence in third quarter of fiscal year 2013.

About the size of two stacked pizza boxes, these modems allow CSS VSATs to transmit and receive CSS data via commercial satellites. This modernization is necessary as the current CSS VSAT modems use an outdated operating system that the developer will soon be unable to support with regular security patches and updates. The new modems will employ

the latest operating system, which will remain fully supported for many years to come. In turn, this will ensure that the CSS VSAT systems maintain certification under the DoD Information Assurance Certification and Accreditation Process.



Combat Service Support (CSS) Very Small Aperture Terminal (VSAT)

DWTS conducted a year-long selection process – including an evaluation of current and future network requirements; a form, fit and function analysis; and an exhaustive market assessment – before executing this procurement. DWTS expects to have the new modems installed across the CSS VSAT fleet by the end of fiscal year 2014. 🌐

GFEBs Wins Prestigious Enterprise Architecture Award

By Pam Gray, GFEBs Public Affairs

In November 2012, the General Fund Enterprise Business System (GFEBs), under the leadership of COL Patrick Burden, received the 2012 Excellence in Enterprise Architecture (EA) award in the Leadership in Government Transformation Using EA category. The award was presented at the 2012 Enterprise Architecture Conference at the Washington Convention Center.


The awards recognize the impacts of EA best practices on achieving efficiencies, greater effectiveness, transparency, increased collaboration or innovation in solutions to government missions' outcomes. The awards are cosponsored by the 2012 Enterprise Architecture Conference and Exposition and the Federated Enterprise Architecture Certification Institute.

"I am extremely proud of the GFEBs team and their accomplishments as reflected by this award," said COL Burden. "Every day we strive to achieve efficiencies and innovations to ensure excellence in our products, solutions and services and this award is a clear testimony to the dedication and commitment of the GFEBs team."



COL Patrick Burden (Left), Project Manager, GFEBs, and Dr. Al Baharmast (Right), Enterprise Architecture Lead, GFEBs, receive the 2012 Award for Excellence in Government Enterprise Architecture from Mr. John Zackman (Middle), President, Zachman International, at an awards ceremony on November 29.

This is another significant award win for GFEBs; in 2012, they also received the Rising Star Award (Tara Miner) and made the second round of Harvard University's Innovations Award.

More information about this conference and award can be found at <http://www.goveaconference.com/Events/2012/Home.aspx> 

Range Facility Management Support System

By IMS-A Public Affairs

The existing Range Facility Management Support System (RFMSS) Graphics Fire Desk (GFD) application is in the beginning phases of a modernization effort to provide enhanced geospatial situational awareness for RFMSS Fire Desk Operators (FDOs). Surface Danger Zones (SDZs) and Weapon Danger Zones (WDZs) will be uploaded from an export of Range Managers Toolkit (RMTK), and the GFD will display the appropriate SDZ/WDZ in real-time to provide an accurate depiction of safe and unsafe areas on the range. The GFD will have the capability to display real-time



aircraft radar tracks to inform safety decisions by FDOs.

To reduce development cost and to provide a familiar user interface, the GFD will leverage existing RFMSS functionality to allow the user to perform fire desk actions such as status changes and entering training information. The GFD will be accessible via a web browser for easier and more streamlined access, and will also position the program for data center consolidation. A field advisory team will have the opportunity to provide input during the GFD development beginning in the third quarter of fiscal year 2013 to ensure that the GFD meets the needs of the range community. Fielding of the new GFD is anticipated to begin in

the second quarter of fiscal year 2014. 

PEO EIS Annual Holiday Party

By PEO EIS Public Affairs Staff

PEO EIS hosted the annual PEO EIS Holiday Party on Friday, December 14, at the Waterford in Springfield, Va. Over 600 PEO EIS employees and esteemed guests dined and danced the afternoon away during the highly anticipated annual event. This year's party saw a shift not only in venue, but theme, honoring the Soldier. The party commenced on a patriotic note with Ms. Sheila Wyatt's stirring rendition of the National Anthem and Dr. Dave Powers' moving invocation. This was the last performance for Wyatt, Deputy PD AHRS, who retired this year after singing the National Anthem for five previous years at EIS holiday parties.

The setting of the Fallen Soldier table served as a poignant tribute to Soldiers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. The table remained prominently placed near the dance floor throughout the afternoon as a silent memorial to both the price of freedom and the frailty of one prisoner alone, against his oppressors. The ceremony was



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narrated by LTC Alprentice Smith from GFEBS, while MSG Kimberly Byers, MSG Henry Freay, SFC Otis Oxford and SSG Roger McMillan from IPPS-A set the table.

Staying true to this year's focus on those who serve, in lieu of individual party favors, a donation was made to the Wounded Warrior Project on behalf of the PEO EIS family; an announcement which was received with resounding applause.

Throughout the afternoon guests dined on a delicious buffet lunch, relaxed with coworkers and enjoyed the music of DJ Manny Vega. Highlights of the afternoon included OTSD's 'Let's Make a Deal' skit, which concluded with the presentation of the OTSD gift baskets, and the announcement of the PEO EIS Door Decorating Contest results, which was won by PEO EIS HQ PMD Policy, Reporting and Cost Analysis team. The party wrapped up with the awarding of the finale gift basket, presented by the CIO and holiday well wishes by the DPEO. 🌐



HR Solutions Welcomes Four New Team Members

By Glenn Hershfield, HR Solutions Public Affairs

Mrs. Barbara Nall joins our Resource Management Team as a Budget Analyst. Barbara began her civil service career on Fort Knox, KY, in 1979. Before joining HR Solutions, Barbara worked for the Army's Center for Substance Abuse. Barbara is working towards her Level II certification in financial management. Barbara has been married to her husband, Luke since 1984 and they have two daughters, Ashley and Kegan. In her spare time, Barbara roots for the University of Kentucky Wildcats and enjoys spending time with her nine-month-old granddaughter, Mia.



From left to right: Denise Hester, Katherine Dallas, Barbara Nall and Terry Hembree

Ms. Katherine Dallas also joins our Resource Management Team as a Budget Analyst. Katherine is a 2007 graduate of the University of Kentucky with a degree in accounting and a 2009 graduate of Bellarmine University in Louisville, KY, with a Masters of Business Administration. Katherine began her civil service career in February 2010 as a Systems Accountant for the Defense Financial Accounting Service (DFAS) in Indianapolis, IN. Before joining the HR Solutions, Katherine worked in Washington, DC as part of the DFAS GFEB Operations and Support Help Desk team.

Ms. Denise Hester rounds out our Resource Management Team as a Budget Analyst. Denise began her civil service career on Fort Knox, KY, in 1980. Before joining the HR Solutions Team, Denise worked for the U.S. Army Medical Command at Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu, HI, as a Health Systems Specialist. Denise is currently working on her Level II financial management certification. In her free time, Denise enjoys reading, gardening and spending time with her

two children and her seven grandchildren.

Mr. Terry Hembree, a retired Army Sergeant First Class, joins our Acquisition Management Team as an Acquisition Specialist. Terry began his civil service career in 2006 and worked as a Contracting Specialist at Ireland Army Hospital, Fort Knox, KY, before joining the HR Solutions Team. Terry graduated from Oakland City University in Oakland City, IN in 2003 with a degree in human resources. He also earned a Master's of Science degree in management from Oakland City University in 2005.

Terry is married to Beth and they have two adult children. In his spare time, Terry is a reserve police officer for the Harrison County, Ind. sheriff's office. Terry is an ordained minister and preaches at churches throughout southern Indiana and counsels inmates of the Indiana penile system. Terry is also pursuing a Master's of Arts degree from Southern Baptist Theology Seminary. When Terry is not working, volunteering, preaching or going to school, he enjoys piloting fixed wing aircraft. 🌐

IPPS-A Welcomes New Product Manager and Bids Farewell to Key Team Members

By COL Robert G. McVay, IPPS-A Project Manager



LTC Vanyo (left) stands with his family after his Assumption of Charter ceremony on November 29, 2012.

The IPPS-A team continues to make progress on Increment I development as it works on its Increment II source selection process. These efforts are not possible without the dedication of skilled staff across components, uniformed and civilian personnel and functional expertise. Staff transition, however, is inevitable and offers me an opportunity to welcome new additions while bidding farewell to departing staff.

On November 29, 2012, the IPPS-A team welcomed LTC Kevin Vanyo as the IPPS-A Increment II Product Manager. LTC Vanyo comes to our team from U.S. Special Operations Command at MacDill Air Force Base where he served as the Chief of the Operational Test and Evaluation Ground Branch. LTC Vanyo will play a critical role in managing Increment II's cost, schedule and development performance parameters.

The IPPS-A team also celebrated numerous civilian and military retirements over the last few months. The following individuals retired: MSG Steven Gratic, SFC Sandra Singletary, Ms. Odessa Albright, Mrs. Jannie Jorge, and Mr. JB Oliver. Of particular note, I bid farewell to my senior enlisted advisor, MSGf Kimberly Byers, who provided me great guidance and assistance. I wish her well as she starts her new assignment. Her boots may be small, but they will be hard to fill.

These individuals' program efforts are prime examples of how bright minds and diligence can provide necessary value to such a massive undertaking as IPPS-A. I thank them for their hard work and wish them well on the next chapter in their lives. 🌐

LMP Poised for an Exciting 2013

By Mr. Gabe Saliba, LMP Product Director

The Logistics Modernization Program (LMP) rang in the new year with a lengthy “to do” list that has everyone excited about what 2013 will bring LMP users.

For Increment I, LMP plans to complete a major functional release in fourth quarter fiscal year 2013 to deliver system updates for more optimal performance and address deficiencies, as well as compliance efforts, including Business Enterprise Architecture and Federal Financial Management Improvement Act requirements.

As noted in the Summer 2012 EIS Communicator, LMP Increment 2 will deliver future capabilities that will address several Army Materiel Command critical requirements, as well as Army strategic business transformation initiatives and the DoD directive to implement item unique identification. Much of the Increment 2 work will focus on business process reengineering to support DoD’s efforts to streamline defense business

systems, improving performance management, controlling scope changes and reducing fielding costs. LMP continues to hold sessions with customers to refine scope, determine changes in the business processes and will commence the design phase. Increment 2 Milestone B is planned for third quarter fiscal year 2013.

Finally, LMP will continue work on transition of services, which will move sustainment, development and hosting from Computer Sciences Corporation to the government. The sustainment and development will be performed by the Army Shared Services Center, while the hosting will be performed by Acquisition Logistics and Technology Enterprise System and Services.

With all this work, LMP is certainly ready for an exciting – and busy – 2013. 

APD AMIS CPT (P) Shayla Parker Promoted to Major

By Beth Alltop, AMIS Public Affairs

The Product Director, Automated Movement and Identification Solutions (AMIS), Mr. Jim Alexander, is pleased to announce that Assistant Product Director (APD) AMIS, CPT (P) Shayla Parker, received a promotion to Major in the U.S. Army. This year was prosperous for MAJ Parker as she also received a 2012 Rising Star Award for her leadership of the AMIS Southwest Asia (SWA) team’s successful retirement of a non-program of record replacing it with Transportation Coordinators’ – Automated Information for Movements System II (TC-AIMS II) in Afghanistan, Iraq and Kuwait.


“MAJ Parker is an asset to the AMIS team,” stated Mr. Alexander. “We are very proud of her achievements and expect more great things from her in the future.”

MAJ Parker began her career with the U.S. Army Reserve as an Army engineer for a bridging unit in Hanau, Germany ten years ago. Prior to joining the AMIS team, she was the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) instructor at Norfolk State University. MAJ Parker received a Bachelor of Arts degree in government international politics from George Mason



COL Jose Ramos presents MAJ Shayla Parker with her promotion orders on December 12, 2012. COL Ramos was her first Battalion Commander in Germany for the 565th Engineer Battalion approximately ten years ago.

University and in 2008 she earned a master’s degree in public administration from Webster University.

MAJ Parker’s promotion ceremony took place on December 12, 2012, in Alexandria, Va. She was pinned by her parents, stepmother, son and a previous Army commander. 

P2E's Kyle Tucker Graduates from the Partnership for Public Service Excellence in Government Fellowship Program

By Karen Quinker, P2E Public Affairs

Toward the end of 2012, over 200 federal employees from 22 agencies graduated from the Partnership for Public Service's Excellence in Government Fellows program. The Excellence in Government Fellows program strengthens the leadership skills of GS-14 and GS-15 federal employees through a proven combination of innovative coursework, best practices benchmarking, challenging action-learning projects, executive coaching and government-wide networking.

P2E's Kyle Tucker, was one of the graduates from the 2011-2012 class. Over the past year, Tucker has heard from speakers such as Microsoft Director Lewis Shepherd and IBM Center for The Business of Government Senior Fellow John Kamensky. Tucker also visited various organizations to identify best practices in leadership, including the State Department in Seattle, the Cristo Rey Network in Chicago, and Ford's Theatre in Washington, D.C. Along the way, Tucker learned from cross-agency peers and his executive coach, Mr. Walt Besecker, on topics ranging from personal mission statements to core business functions in government and how they work together.

According to Mr. Tucker, the program was a highlight of his career because, "it taught me how to have the crucial conversations necessary to be an effective future leader for the Army. The fellows program also allowed me to foster new relationships across the Army and the federal government. I have more than just the Army viewpoint that I can now access when facing issues. There is value in building a network of extended colleagues that are experiencing similar issues and or challenges in their respective organizations and discuss findings, approaches and possible solutions for not only our organization, but for our country."

Mr. Tucker has already seen value in the projects he has worked on within P2E. According to Mr. Tucker, "I was able to share the Army Private Cloud contract vehicle capabilities with my classmates and the Partnership for Public Service. My friends from the Coast Guard and the Veterans Affairs ex-




Mr. Christopher Olson, Chief, Chemical Test Division, Dugway Proving Ground, presented the graduation certificate to Mr. Kyle Tucker, P2E Assistant PM-CCI.

pressed immediate interest and I was able to provide them with more information to include the cloud offerings of the General Services Administration that they did not realize existed."

Mr. Tucker, who was a 2006 Federal Computer Week Rising Star Award winner, has steadily built his government career by serving as the acquisition development lead for the Army Private Cloud contract vehicle (successfully awarded December 2011), achieving his Black Belt certification in Lean Six Sigma and working enterprise level projects that are important to PEO EIS and senior Army leadership. In his spare time he is a volunteer paramedic with 19 years of service.

Moving forward, Mr. Tucker plans to use his education from the fellowship program to prepare for future Army leadership opportunities and to continue his research with policy issues in the field of health care and disaster management. As of January 2013, Mr. Tucker has transitioned to the Installation, Information, Infrastructure, Communications and Capabilities (I3C2) organization within PEO EIS in order to continue with his operational support and oversight for the Enterprise Service Management Software as a System program.

To learn more about the Excellence in Government Fellows program please proceed to the following link:

http://www.ourpublicservice.org/OPS/programs/cgl/eig_fellows.shtml 

PEO EIS Program Featured at Walt Whitman Middle School Showcase Event

By PEO EIS Public Affairs

This past winter, PEO EIS participated in the Walt Whitman Middle School's, STEM/STEAM Kickoff Showcase (Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics). More and more schools are using STEM/STEAM concepts in their curriculum instruction as a method of encouraging students to explore the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics as careers. Teachers are working on methods to make "real life/real world" connections to everyday life and careers for students in the hope that students will start gathering information and ideas that will help them make decisions for college and their career. Walt Whitman is a Fairfax County Public School (FCPS) located in Alexandria, Va.

Keynote speaker, Dr. Carl B. Mack, Executive Director of the National Society of Black Engineers, spoke about the importance of STEM/STEAM education in the United States and how businesses and organizations, such as PEO EIS, make a valuable contribution to the education of children by participating in activities just like the STEM/STEAM showcase.

PEO EIS representatives from the Automated Movement and Identification Solutions (AIMS) program office, Mr. Robert Carpenter and Mr. David Rogers, were just two of the 14 presenters at this showcase. Their presentation of the Radio Frequency In-Transit Visibility (RF-ITV) Web portal, followed by a live system demonstration of its capabilities, amazed students, parents, teachers and FCPS officials!



Walt Whitman students, faculty members and guests enjoyed the first Walt Whitman Middle School STEM/STEAM Kickoff showcase featuring PEO EIS technologies.

Many of the participants commented on how fascinating and interesting it was to learn about RF-ITV. Some of the school science and math teachers were able to make some curriculum connections with RF-ITV to some of the concepts they are currently teaching their seventh and eighth grade students. This was the most important point of the showcase! 🌐

Hails and Farewells

Hails:

Deborah Ammen, I3MP
LTC Samuel Ancira, WESS
Kalra Angad, GFEBs
Brian Barnes, GFEBs
Teresa Brown, AHRS
Garnard Burnside, CHESS
Donald Burris, GFEBs
Anthony Cockrell, P2E
Thomas D'Agostino, Biometrics
Douglas Divine, GFEBs
Katherine Dallas, HR Solutions
Christina Finley, LMP
Jasmine Fisher, I3C2
Williams Graves, Biometrics
Terry Hembree, HR Solutions
Denise Hester, HR Solutions
SFC Alex Howell, IPPS-A
Paul Jacobs, GFEBs
Ylander Jones, CHESS
James Larson, DCATS
Jeffery Lloyd, LMP
Amanda Lomeli, CIO
Tony Moles, KT
SFC Otis Oxford, IPPS-A
Dr. Dan Parker, AESIP Hub
LTC Ossie Peacock, ACWS
Paul Phillabaum, IPPS-A
LTC Laura Poston, AESIP
Bryan Thielemier, Headquarters
Felicia Phillips-Welch, Biometrics

Moves:

Venetta Carter, from TIS to Enterprise Services
Jonathan Daniels, from GFEBs to P2E
Thomas Dunaway, from DCATS to Headquarters
Douglas Haskin, from TIS to Enterprise Services
Jeremy Hiers, from TIS to Enterprise Services
CPT Musfta Kamalreza, from AKO to GFEBs
Bridgett Tate, from TIS to I3C2
Frank Thurman, from AKO to Enterprise Services
Marcia Ward, from GFEBs to I3C2
Richard Williams, from P2E to Enterprise Services

Farewells:

SFC Oscar Aguirre, IPPS-A
Sarah Bearden, ALTESS
MSG Kim Byers, IPPS-A
Barbara Carlson, IPPS-A
Roger Elliot, TAO
Michael Fawns, P2E
Guri Glass, IMS-A
MSG Anthony Glenn, IPPS-A
Robert Grasso, CHESS
MSG Stephen Gratic, IPPS-A
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