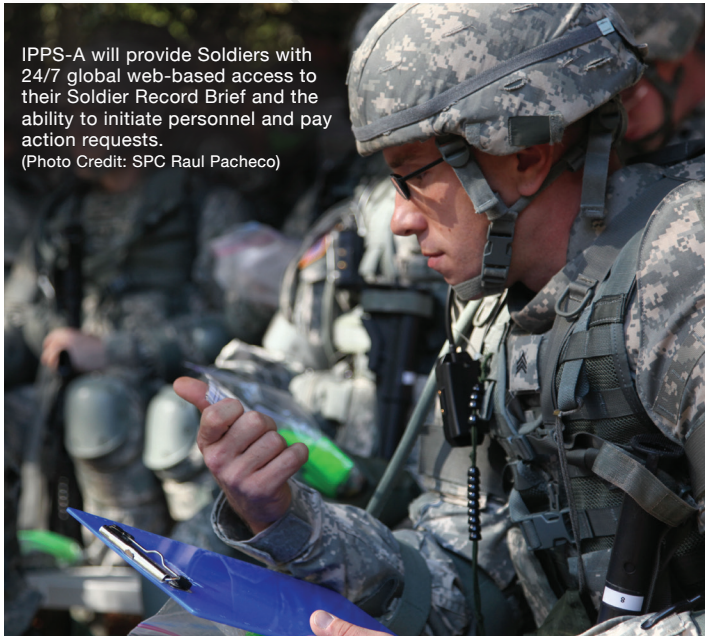


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IPPS-A will provide Soldiers with 24/7 global web-based access to their Soldier Record Brief and the ability to initiate personnel and pay action requests.

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## IPPS-A ADVANCES TO PROVIDE A MODERN SOLUTION TO ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES

by Andre Revell II, IPPS-A communications

In December, members of the **Integrated Personnel and Pay System – Army (IPPS-A)** team met with the Defense Acquisition Board (DAB) to discuss the program’s progress, impact on the Army and to request approval of Increment II Milestone B.

IPPS-A is a web-based human resources (HR) system currently in development that will provide a comprehensive personnel and pay record for each Soldier, regardless of component.

For IPPS-A, **the outcome was a success.** The program will now enter the development and fielding phase for Increment II.

“The Defense Acquisition Board’s approval of IPPS-A Increment II Milestone B is a vote of confidence in the program and allows us to take the next step toward fielding a system that will **improve the lives of Soldiers, commanders and human resources professionals,**” said COL James (Darby) McNulty, IPPS-A project manager.

DAB also authorized the team to move forward with the IPPS-A Increment II systems integration services contract, which was awarded to CACI International Inc.’s Integrated Security Solutions on Dec. 29, 2014.

“We are looking forward to working with our new industry partner to begin Increment II and keep IPPS-A **moving toward its goal** of one integrated personnel and pay record for every Soldier,” said COL McNulty.

IPPS-A will alleviate the Army’s reliance on more than 40 antiquated systems that do not efficiently share information with one another. In Increment I, the IPPS-A team developed the **Soldier Record Brief (SRB)**, a trusted database with reporting capabilities for all Army components, and launched a data correctness campaign, which urged soldiers to review and make corrections to their SRB.

In Increment II, the program is expected to deliver fully integrated personnel and pay services for all Army components, building on the trusted database delivered by IPPS-A Increment I.

For more information about IPPS-A, visit [www.ipps-a.army.mil](http://www.ipps-a.army.mil).

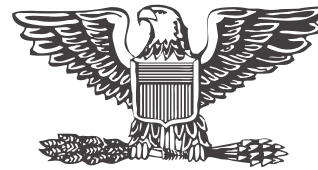
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Mr. Douglas K. Wiltsie presents a certificate of promotion to COL Kevin Vanyo.

# COLONEL VANYO PROMOTED

by Andre Revell II, IPPS-A communications



**Kevin Vanyo**, Increment II Product Manager (*PdM*) for the Integrated Personnel and Pay System – Army (*IPPS-A, INC II*), was **promoted to the rank of colonel**, in a ceremony led by Mr. Douglas K. Wiltsie, Program Executive Officer Enterprise Information Systems, on Jan 9 at the Hoffman Building, Alexandria, Virginia.

Remarks were shared by **COL Darby McNulty**, IPPS-A Project Manager, and **COL Robert McVay**, PEO EIS Director of Cyber. COL Vanyo’s rank insignia was pinned on by his wife, Dana Vanyo, and he was presented a certificate of promotion by **Mr. Wiltsie**. COL Vanyo has served as the INC II PdM since November 2012.

He will continue to lead the development, integration, testing, fielding and sustainment of IPPS-A, INC II, which will provide the majority of IPPS-A functionality and is essential to integrating human resource and military pay into an enterprise resource planning system.

Congratulations on your promotion, COL Vanyo!

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SFC David Franks presents the rank insignia to be pinned on COL Vanyo.



COL Vanyo takes the oath of office administered by Mr. Douglas K. Wiltsie.





U.S. Soldier assigned to 1st Battalion, 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne) practices a variety of shooting techniques with his M4A1 rifles at Panzer Range Complex in Boeblingen, Germany, Jan. 23, 2015. (U.S. Army photo by Visual Information Specialist Adam Sanders/Released)

## USSOCOM JOINS LMP USER BASE

by Christine McMahon, LMP public affairs representative

In September 2014, the U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM) joined the Logistics Modernization Program's (LMP) user base, using LMP to fill a critical gap in its plan to **return equipment from Afghanistan back to the U.S.**

To accomplish this task, Army Sustainment Command (ASC) Redistribution Property Accountability Teams (RPATs) in Afghanistan relieve redeploying units of their theater provided equipment (TPE), clear their property books and prepare units to head back to their home stations. After accounting for the materiel, RPATs either process the TPE for return to the U.S. or hold the equipment at RPAT yards for incoming special operations troops. By maintaining thorough and reliable processes, RPATs help **improve accountability for and visibility** of the returned equipment during its transit back to the U.S.

In May 2014, LMP began work to use existing system functionality to support USSOCOM's mission, creating **three main scenarios**:

- 1) **Returning assets** from Afghanistan RPAT locations to continental U.S. locations
- 2) **Transferring assets** from Afghanistan RPAT locations to other units outside of theater
- 3) **Disposal of assets** from the Afghanistan RPAT locations

LMP established eight inventory management locations, also referred to as plants, in the LMP system to extend functionality to the RPAT locations. Training was provided to USSOCOM users, **go-live** occurred on Sept. 23, 2014, and transactions began the next day.

HOOAH to the entire team for bringing USSOCOM on board as an LMP customer!



## CHES OPERATIONS OFFICER RETURNS HOME FROM YEAR-LONG DEPLOYMENT

by Joanna Corcoran, CHES public affairs representative



Mr. G.W. Burnside II with members of the Directorate of Emergency Services and Law Enforcement (DES/LE) following the presentation of a departure gift.

In November 2014, Mr. G.W. Burnside II, CHES operations officer, returned from a year-long deployment at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. Bagram is home to more than 28,000 military, civilian and contractor personnel supporting **Operation Enduring Freedom**.

Burnside served as the director of emergency services and law enforcement, and was responsible for 7,000 personnel. Bagram Airfield operates biometric equipment, products of PEO EIS' Project Manager DOD Biometrics, to identify and enroll individuals requiring access to the installation. In his tenure, Mr. Burnside prevented tampering of database systems and assisted in several large scale security and intelligence inquiries and operations involving clearances.



Mr. G.W. Burnside II and Mr. Michael Andrews, Incoming DES.



Farewell photo with members of the DES staff (L-R Ms. Mary Hale, FPFS; Mr. Michael Bailey, FPFC; Mr. Danny Glembot, Fire Chief; Mr. G.W. Burnside II, DES; 1LT Mark Cornman, MP Det OIC; SFC Andrew James, MP Det NCOIC; and Mr. Michael Andrews, Incoming DES. Photo was taken in front of the garrison's well-known T-Wall.

Mr. Burnside is an exemplary representative of the invaluable support that PEO EIS provides to the U.S. Forces - Afghanistan (USFOR-A), and to garrison efforts to protect the base against insurgency and terrorism threats with the use of biometric technology.

# MS. BERNADETTE JACKSON-WHITAKER PROVIDED GOLD MEDAL FOR LOGISTICS LIAISON SUPPORT TO THEATER

by Rhonda Seales, OTSD Theater and Logistics Division, logistics team lead



Ms. Bernadette Jackson-Whitaker receives award from Mr. Wiltse

Ms. Bernadette Jackson-Whitaker was recently **presented two distinguished medals** honoring the excellent service she provided while in Kandahar, Afghanistan, supporting Operation Enduring Freedom. Ms. Jackson-Whitaker was deployed from March 2013 to April 2014, during which time she set the standard for stakeholder collaboration and found innovative ways to help the PEO EIS team.

Ms. Jackson-Whitaker applied **superior leadership skills**, critical thinking and teamwork to directly contribute to the success of PEO EIS and U.S. Forces Afghanistan (USFOR-A) retrograde operations in Afghanistan. Her work helped reduce property loss and ensure asset visibility.



The first major task of Ms. Jackson-Whitaker's assignment was to analyze PEO EIS' **operational effectiveness** for program support required by Operations Order 13-001, which directed retrograde and redeployment (R2) operations out of Afghanistan as commanded by the President Obama. This endeavor was the **largest type of retrograde military**

**operation in U.S. history.** During her tour, Ms. Jackson-Whitaker briefed Army senior leaders, including **Ms. Heidi Shyu**, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology, ASA(ALT), on PEO EIS retrograde operational progress.

For her efforts, which impacted major commands and host nation groups in Afghanistan, Ms. Jackson-Whitaker received the **Secretary of Defense Medal for the Global War on Terrorism and the Non-Article 5 NATO Medal in support of the International Security Assistance Force Operations.** Additionally, Ms. Jackson-Whitaker was awarded Army Civilian Achievement Medal.

Ms. Jackson-Whitaker's performance reflected well upon PEO EIS and all its programs. Indicative of her valued representation and service to the region, she was awarded three separate certificates of appreciation:

Kandahar Afghanistan Certificate of Appreciation from ASA(ALT) Regional Command South

Kandahar Afghanistan Certificate of Appreciation ASA(ALT) Regional Command North

Kandahar Ministerial Staff Certificate of Appreciation

Congratulations to Ms. Jackson-Whitaker for her outstanding achievements, her support to PEO EIS, and to our nation.



## FAREWELL ROAST FOR MR. LEE JAMES, GFEB S DEPUTY PROJECT MANAGER

by Pam Gray, GFEB S strategic communications  
Photo Credit: Pam Gray

The General Fund Enterprise Business System (GFEB S) said goodbye to **Mr. Lee James**, deputy project manager, at a farewell roast on Dec. 17, 2014. Mr. James, who started working with GFEB S in 2010, laid the ground work for the procure to pay program and other GFEB S products, eventually rising to his position as the deputy.

The roast highlighted Mr. James's additional contributions to GFEB S and PEO EIS, with good-natured ribbing about his beloved Dallas Cowboys.

"All kidding aside, Lee is the kind of person everyone needs on their team," stated GFEB S Project Manager **COL Matt Russell**. "He will be missed."

Mr. James's next assignment remains in the PEO EIS family, with Force Management System (FMS).



Mr. Lee James and COL Matt Russell share a laugh over a gift presented to Mr. James at his farewell roast. (Photo by: Pam Gray)

# HEROES OF THE MONTH

DECEMBER 2014

PEO EIS is pleased to recognize great individual contributions and unsung heroes across the organization



Ms. Julie Withers  
P2E



Mr. Irving Newell  
HQ OTSD

On behalf of the U.S. Army, the Acquisition Corps and PEO EIS, congratulations on a job well done!

# GENEROUS PD AMIS EMPLOYEES EXCEED TOYS FOR TOTS CONTRIBUTION GOAL

by Lana Spalding, PD AMIS public affairs support



Left to right: Mr. Chris (Tommy) Anderson, Mr. Jon Wloshinski, Mr. Mike Morrissey, Mr. Spencer Stone and Ms. Laurie Ludwig pose with the AMIS bikes for the Toys for Tots campaign

The generous staff at the **Product Director, Automated Movement and Identification Solutions (PD AMIS)** program open their hearts wide every holiday season. Spearheaded by AIT initiatives' senior logistics analyst Alfred Naigle in 2008, this group has supported the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots campaign each year. Initially, the group purchased new toys, which were then collected and donated through Mr. Naigle's community service organization.

However, starting last year, PD AMIS began a new tradition of purchasing bikes for needy youngsters.

**The results have been impressive the past two years.**

In 2013, the team was proud of their effort to donate enough money to purchase 12 bicycles. However, this year, the team raised enough to buy a **whopping 15 bicycles**, which were gifted to area children.

Special thanks should be given to **Mr. Mike Morrissey**, AMIS system/sntegration engineer and **Tom Rigsbee**, RF-ITV operations, for purchasing, assembling and delivering the bicycles. This generous contribution of time and money proves that AMIS' **award-winning team** is also an unbeatable group of donors.

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### EVENTS

**FEB 3**  
PD EC2M Mr. John Howell speaks at AFCEA Belvoir small business event

**FEB 4**  
Mr. Wiltsie speaks at AFCEA NOVA Army IT Day

**FEB 19**  
PEO EIS All Hands at the Hoffman Building

**FEB 20**  
GCCS - Army Site Visit

**FEB 24**  
Mr. Wiltsie speaks at Federal Networks 2015 event

**MAR 3**  
CIO Mr. Hari Bezwada speaks at ACT-IAC Acquisition Excellence Conference

**MAR 18**  
PM Collaboration Meeting at EIS HQ