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Career Service Awards

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15 YEARS

Christopher M. Catotti - E
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Glen P. Wynn - L

20 YEARS

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Martha A. Zukos - C
John E. Bishop, Jr - L

25 YEARS

Barry K. Wendler - CATT

30 YEARS

Lester D. Curless Jr - E



AMC Black Engineer of the Year Award

STRICOM Nominee

Joseph Dorleus - E

AMC has nominated Mr. Joseph Dorleus for Black Engineer of the Year Award for Professional Achievement. Mr. Dorleus has over 15 years of professional experience working both in the United States Government as well as in the private sector. As a civilian Electronics Engineer, working for the United States Army, his technical contributions and professional achievements in the field of Electronics/Electrical Engineering management are outstanding and have been praised at various management levels within the Department of Defense.



Joseph Dorleus

AMC Federal Engineer of the Year Award

STRICOM Nominee

Keith H.Gardner - PMITTS

AMC has nominated Mr. Keith Gardner for the Federal Engineer of the Year Award. Mr. Gardner holds a BSEE from Iowa State University and an MSIE from the University of Central Florida. He is a registered Professional Engineer in the state of Florida and a member of the IEEE Computer Society. Mr. Gardner has been employed by the Army since 1973 and has held numerous positions within STRICOM and PMTRADE since 1977. He is currently assigned as the Chief Engineer, PMITTS.



Keith Gardner



STRICOM Nominee for the WISE Award for Engineering and Achievement

Lorraine Castillo

Congratulations to STRICOM's Lorraine Castillo who was recently nominated for the Women in Science and Engineering Award for Engineering and Achievement. Ms. Castillo is the project director for the Frequency Surveillance System at STRICOM. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering and Operations Research from the University of Massachusetts and a Master of Science in Industrial Engineering from Texas A&M. She is currently pursuing a Master of Business



Administration at Webster University, to be completed in May 2001. Ms. Castillo serves as a mentor for high school students that have demonstrated an interest in engineering and encourages the entry of women into the fields of engineering and the sciences. She also volunteers in the community by providing assistance to single Hispanic women in the Orlando area in finding jobs, and finding and furnishing homes. Ms. Castillo has demonstrated grace and excellence as a dedicated professional and a community role model. Her nomination for the WISE Award for Engineering and Achievement is well deserved.



Armed Forces Civilian Service Medal

John F. Donahue - E



Commander's Award for Civilian Service



Shirley C. Rubens PM STI



Employee of the Quarter Award

Douglas J. Parsons

Congratulations to Douglas J. Parsons, who has been selected as STRICOM Employee of the Quarter for the fourth quarter. Mr. Parsons is currently an engineer with AMSTI-ET at STRICOM. He has demonstrated excellence in his involvement with the One-Semi-Automated Forces (OneSAF) program as a Systems Engineer and as Lead Project Engineer for the OneSAF Testbed Baseline. His past projects include Army Materiel System Analysis Activity (AMSAA) at Aberdeen

Douglas J. Parsons



Proving Ground, MD, where he participated as Lead RAM Engineer. In addition, Mr. Parsons worked as a Technical Evaluator of Air Defense Systems, also at Aberdeen.

Mr. Parsons holds a M.S. degree in Systems Management from the Florida Institute of Technology and a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering from North Dakota State University. He is currently pursuing an additional M.S. Degree in Industrial Engineering at the University of Central Florida, which he hopes to have completed in 2002.

Mr. Parsons, originally from West Fargo, ND, has been married to his wife Paula for 14 years. They have two children, David, age 9, and Laura, age 6. Mr. Parsons is a second-degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do and has completed four marathons. He is a member of the International Council on Systems Engineering.



TEAM ORLANDO PRAYER BREAKFAST

Former STRICOM Commander MG Bond initiated the Team Orlando Prayer Breakfast two years ago. The event provides employees an opportunity to meet in a non-denominational group to share experiences. Meetings take place on the first Thursday of each month from 7:00 until 8:00 a.m. On average, 50 – 75 people attend the Prayer Breakfast. The last Prayer Breakfast was held on Feb 8, 2000. Bobby Mott, Music Director for Liberty Baptist Church in Orlando provided the music for this event. The guest speaker for this event was Frank Tracy.

Mr. Tracy currently works for the Schedule Airline Travel Office (SATO), at the Naval Air Warfare Center Training System Division (NAWCSTD).

An unstable home environment forced Mr. Tracy to become an adult and the “man of the house” even before he became a teenager. Mr. Tracy fulfilled the parenting role of his brother and sister. Then on his ninth birthday, Mr. Tracy believes that God led him to a Salvation Army Church, where he accepted Jesus as his personal savior the next day.

His devotion led him to work with the Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF). CEF has missionaries in 146 countries as well as the 50 states. They work directly with children, as well as training others to do the same. Mr.. Tracy and his wife, Mary started their ministry in Jr. Church. In the beginning they did not know much about teaching children until they registered for a course on " Teaching Children Effectively."

Mr. Tracy will be giving up his job of 32 years to work full-time with the Child Evangelism Fellowship. The Tracy's are a couple admired for their dedication to children and the community.



STRICOM Successfully Fields JANUS in Croatia and Morocco

In November of 2000, the first foreign military to military sale took place between the US Army and the Croatian Armed Forces in Zagreb. The JANUS simulation system was brought to Croatia to help the Eastern European country establish a simulation center. STRICOM and Anteon Corp, the contractor for JANUS in the U.S., fielded the simulation and provided the Croatia Armed Forces with a geo-specific terrain model of their own country. JANUS, a constructive simulation, provides for force-on force ground combat simulation using a realistic and fully editable digitized terrain with the ability to model weather effects and day and night visibility. . In April of this year, the National Simulation Center will bring SPECTRUM,



a constructive simulation with the ability to conduct training exercises at the tactical, operational, and strategic levels, to Croatia. STRICOM will assist in the fielding of this system.

The JANUS fielding in Zagreb was considered to be a success and the Croatian center is now fully functional. During the fielding, Mr. John Daniele of the STRICOM CAP office presented the Croatia officers with STRICOM logos and Command Book. Those logos are now on the walls of the new simulation center. Mr. Daniele said that he



STRICOM Successfully Fields JANUS in Croatia and Morocco (Continued)

has seen “an increase in international activities in constructive simulation” and that the fielding of “constructive simulation is the best method for newly independent European states to learn Western tactics and doctrine”.

STRICOM currently has a security assistance presence in forty- one countries and is also fielding JANUS in Morocco. The JANUS fielding in Morocco this month is establishing a simulation center at Benguerir Air Force Base, the U.S. Space Shuttle abort-landing site. These and other fieldings demonstrate the increasing presence of STRICOM and the U.S. Army and their assistance with the spread of new simulation and modeling technologies to the modern world.



STRICOM Capitol Hill Demo

A Success

On February 4, representatives from STRICOM left Orlando for Washington D.C. to conduct a series of hands-on demonstrations of STRICOM simulation and instrumentation systems for Members of Congress and their staffs. The purpose of the demonstration was to educate and inform Congress of the strides being made in simulation, training, testing, and support in the Army Transformation effort. The Senate demonstration took place on February 6 in the Caucus Room of the Russell Building and on February 8 in the foyer of the Rayburn House Office Building.



The theme of the demonstration was “Modeling and Simulation Keys to Decisive Victory”. The focus was on the role that modeling and simulation technologies play in the evolution of Legacy and Interim Forces into the Objective Force. Various systems outlining STRICOM’s efforts were presented in an

interactive, hands on environment. Visitors received a takeaway book containing information on the systems and how they fit the into the Army transformation plan.



STRICOM Capitol Hill Demo A Success (Continued)

The following systems demonstrated on Capitol Hill were: AFIST XXI, CCTT, FBCB2-SPEARHEAD, JAVELIN, JRTC MOUT, LADAR, LAND WARRIOR, MILES 2000, NIGHT VISION, Operations and Support, Opposing Forces Training Systems, the Roadway Simulator, Test Support Network, Virtual Targets Center, VLET, WARSIM 2000, and WEBSIM3D.



These systems showed how STRICOM and the Army Materiel Command are keeping our Nation's soldiers well trained and well equipped.



New Mexico Representative Joe Skeene, and Florida Senator Bob Graham sponsored the demo. Notable attendees included Senator Orrin Hatch from Utah, Representative Betty McCollum from Minnesota's 4th district; Representative Jim Ryun from Kansas' 2nd district; General Keane from VCSA, General Coburn from AMC, Major General William Bond,

Major General Cousmano from ASAALT, and Dr. Michael Andrews. Over 300 attended in all and the demo was a complete success. Congratulations to all who participated for a great job.



STRICOM Capitol Hill Demo A Success (Continued)



The systems presented to Congress all contribute in some capacity to the Army Transformation and will require adequate support to continue. The success of the Capitol Hill Demonstration is a positive stride in ensuring that STRICOM can continue to receive the support needed for important projects. *Modeling and simulation are keys to decisive victory.* modeling and simulation technologies available today and by applying future technologies, STRICOM and the Army Material Command are assisting with the Army's transformation to a lethal, survivable, and easily mobile Objective Force.



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