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NAD leaders hold special town meeting at District

Brig. Gen. Todd Semonite, North Atlantic Division Commander, and Col. Philip T. Feir, New England District Commander, hosted a special Town Meeting Oct. 1 in the Concord Park cafeteria.

Col. Feir went over the day's agenda and talked a little about the initiative to support efforts in Gulf Region Central, located on Victory Base in Baghdad, Iraq. "Right now there are 300 projects that are underway and that's going to jump to 500 projects," he said. "They're going to need people to help them with the increased workload."

The District Commander said that he was at the 90 day mark as the District's DE and talked about the different projects and challenges that are currently underway at the Corps in New England. He said that he was proud to command the District and that he considered himself the District's Team Champion. "My door is always open," he said.

Lt. Col. Stephen Lefebvre, Deputy District Commander, followed Col. Feir and talked more about the recruitment initiative for GRC and how NAD has been asked to provide 50 people to help support the efforts overseas. New England District has been asked to provide seven of those employees.

The Deputy District Engineer showed a recruitment video that fea-

tured landscapes of Iraq as well as projects and the local residents. He also showed a video featuring two Corps employees currently working in Iraq and their positive experiences thus far. Prior to joining New England District,

Lt. Col. Lefebvre spent a year at Gulf Region South. During his presentation, he talked about what it was like for him to work there. He spoke favorably about the culture, the landscapes,

the work, and the people of Iraq. "I still correspond with the Iraqi engineer that I worked with over there," he said.

Using a PowerPoint presentation, Lt. Col. Lefebvre showed pictures of the typical living conditions of a Corps employee working in Iraq. "Rooms are air conditioned and there's maid service every day," he said. "The food at the dining hall is also quite good."

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Photo by Brian Murphy

Brig. Gen. Todd Semonite addresses New England District employees during the Town Meeting.

Yankee Voices



Col. Feir with the WE Committee Pie Fest Team

Congratulations

...to **Nick McGuire, Logistics**, for being selected as the WE Committee employee of the month for October 2008. McGuire is recognized for his "Can Do Mission First" attitude and "nothing is too hard to accomplish no matter the degree of difficulty" approach to his work.

Since he arrived at NAE in April, McGuire has turned in 14 pallets of unserviceable and excess property totaling \$750,000. In conjunction with these turn-ins he established an automated Electronic Turn-In Document (ETID) system with Defense Reutilization Management Office (DRMO) in Portsmouth, NH that enables a quicker turn around of processing turn-ins thus saving USACE time and money.

Words worth repeating

"Opportunities multiply as they are seized."

- *Sun Tzu*

DoD revises Purple Heart eligibility criteria to allow award to POWs who die in captivity

The Department of Defense announced today it has expanded the Purple Heart eligibility criteria allowing prisoners-of-war who died in captivity to receive the award.

The revised department policy presumes, for service members who die in captivity as a qualifying prisoner-of-war, that their death was the "result of enemy action," or the result of wounds incurred "in action with the enemy" during capture, or as a result of wounds incurred as a "result of enemy action" during capture, unless compelling evidence is presented to the contrary.

The revised policy allows retroactive award of the Purple Heart to qualifying prisoners-of-war since Dec. 7, 1941. Posthumous award will be made to the deceased service member's representative, as designated by the secretary of the military department concerned, upon application to that military department.

Each military department will publish application procedures and ensure they are accessible by the general public. Family members with questions may contact the services: Army: Military Awards Branch, (703) 325-8700; Navy: Navy Personnel Command, Retired Records Section, (314) 592-1150; Air Force: Air Force Personnel Center, (800) 616-3775; Marine Corps: Military Awards Branch, (703) 784-9340. (*DoD News*)

Sympathy

... to the family and friends of Construction/Operations retiree **Jan Melowski**, who passed away, Sept. 26.

...to the family of Engineering/Planning retiree **David Dupee**, who passed away Sept. 28. Mr. Dupee who was one of the first environmental section chiefs at the New England Division and was instrumental in the development of environmental compliance needs for Corps projects in the early days of having to comply with NEPA and other environmental requirements. In addition, Mr. Dupee was a decorated World War II veteran, having served as a combat infantry Soldier with the 10th Mountain Division.

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Commander's Corner:

My first 90 days at New England District

by Col. Philip T. Feir
District Commander

Team;
I have been in New England now for a little over 90 days now and I wanted to let you know that I am proud and excited to be your District Engineer. My family and I have acclimated ourselves well in our new environment and are truly enjoying life here in New England. Even my landlord has made us feel

most welcome by including us in many of his family's activities, and my son has made the transition all the easier with his immersion in sports as the lead goalie for his hockey team in Chelmsford and his preparation to perform in his school's upcoming musical "Grease".

In the early going of my tenure here, I have begun to visit our Resident Offices and recreation facilities. I've been to a little over half the dam sites from about mid-Massachusetts down – now I've got to go from mid-Massachusetts up and I will continue to visit more and more offices as my schedule allows.

At our Town Hall Meeting, Oct. 1, I was proud to honor some of our employees for their outstanding work. The Associated Contractors and AON Construction Services Groups named the Atlas Tack Superfund Project the winner of the 2008 Build America Award in the New Environmental Project Category. The New England District's National Water Team received Department of the Army Certificates of Achievement and high praises from our FEMA customers on their exceptional work during Hurricanes Gustav and Ike. And Craig Hysler received the Corps of Engineers Hard Hat of the Year Award. His willingness to go wherever the Corps needed him and his perseverance to complete the new Border Patrol Station in Van Buren, Maine, on time, within budget, and with a very satisfied customer made him extremely deserving of the award. These awards and recognitions are only but a few of the many awards our District has received during the year and are a true testament to the caliber of professionals we have on staff here in New



England.

I've also had the pleasure of meeting with a number of our representatives in Congress thus far – I've done about half a dozen visits so far – and I'm proud to represent our District and continuing our good relationships.

There's a lot going on right now at our District. We've been dealing with Winthrop Shores, a very sensitive Regulatory issue and a Public Affairs challenge. We're working on a number of vital projects to include the Woonsocket Local Protection Project and the Fox Point Hurricane Barrier – we've been dealing with the representatives from the state of Rhode Island, the local mayors, the townships and the Public Works folks to make the transitions happen. We've been doing a lot of things in the VA community to help them revamp and revitalize a lot of their hospitals and they have been very happy with our performance – so much so that our methodology has been touted as the standard for other Districts to employ. We are also working on the design of the National Museum of the United States Army. Sheila Bergeron and her team have a unique challenge with this project because they have to deal with more general officers than I've seen throughout my entire career and make them happy on a daily basis.

I could go on and on about all the projects we have ongoing, but suffice it to say that we remain very busy, our customers are satisfied with the products we're providing them, and I am proud of all the work we are doing to get the mission done.

Along with our many successes, we are also continuing to deal with a good number of challenges. As some of you may or may not know Dick Carlson is planning to retire in April, and with his departure I feel it only prudent to look at our District's alignment. We are a very top heavy District leadership wise and so I am looking to see if we could perhaps realign PPMD, E&P, and CONOPS into two teams or leave things status quo. And I'm working with the senior staff to look into all of our internal arrangements as well. Does that mean folks should be worried about their jobs, absolutely not, we have too much work to do and besides, most realignments – if any – will be invisible to our continued efforts by and large. Additionally, I've heard a lot of talk lately regarding NSPS, and I want to let you know that a memorandum just came down stipulating that for all intents and purposes NSPS has gone as far as it's going to go. This means that both the GS and NSPS systems are going to remain in their current configuration. It would have been great to have just one

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Photo provided by Delia Vogel.

Volunteers at Barre Falls use heavy equipment to complete their project during National Public Lands Day.

Hundreds of volunteers take part in District's National Public Lands Day events

Several New England District recreational facilities in Massachusetts celebrated volunteerism and environmental stewardship by hosting National Public Lands Day events throughout the months of September and October. Over 300 people participated in the events that improved facility properties and saved the U.S. Government nearly \$23,000 in labor expenses.

National Public Lands Day is the nation's largest hands-on volunteer effort to improve and enhance the public lands that Americans enjoy.

West Hill Park and Dam hosted its celebration Sept. 20. This year, 165 volunteers worked on over a dozen

projects which included brush and weed removal, trail clearing, trash clean up, bluebird house clean up and the installation of the Clovis Messier Memorial World War II bench.

Work on some of the projects presented some unique challenges. "Scouts encountered wasp nests in some of the bluebird houses, but they were able to clean them out without injury," said Park Ranger Viola Bramel. "They told me afterwards that they felt a great sense of accomplishment getting that project done."

Not all run-ins with nature at West Hill Park and Dam were unpleasant ones. "The river clearing crew ob-

served the great blue heron, snapping and painted turtles and the belted kingfisher," reported Bramel. "Vultures, hawks, songbirds and monarch butterflies were also memorable encounters for some crews."

Westville and East Brimfield Lake held their events on Sept. 27. Approximately 14 volunteers arrived at Westville Lake to plant a new flower bed, install 40 feet of safety fence and haul eight loads of trash from an ongoing trail vista improvement project.

At East Brimfield, 27 volunteers cleared debris and raked trails, created a new 1,000-foot loop trail, spread gravel to complete 600 feet of the Grand



Photo provided by Viola Bramel.

Junior Rangers apply sealant to a bridge at West Hill Dam.

Trunk Trail and installed 70 feet of trail side drainage along the Grand Trunk Trail. Some volunteers went above and beyond the scheduled projects and time. “Three local Brimfield residents also provided two small utility tractors and a dump trailer to facilitate the projects with several volunteers continuing to work two more hours in the afternoon, in the rain,” said Park Ranger Tom Chamberland.

Two projects sites had to reschedule their events due to inclement weather.



Photo provided by Tom Chamberland.

Volunteers work on a trail at East Brimfield Lake.

Buffumville Lake and Hodges Village Dam in Massachusetts hosted an event on October 4 with 116 volunteers converging at Buffumville Park to receive their assignments. Volunteers could choose from about 10 projects to work on at the sites, to include trash clean up, trail blazing, planting, painting and staining, and various other construction and repair projects.

Buffumville has been hosting annual events focusing on environmental stewardship for about 17 years. “We’ve been doing this longer than the National

Environmental Education Foundation Program,” said Park Ranger Jamie Kordack.

Barre Falls Dam also held their event on Oct. 4. Nearly half a dozen volunteers came to plant 40 azalea rhododendrons and perform lawn repairs.

Award ceremonies and lunches donated by local sponsors followed most of the National Public Lands Day events. The Corps of Engineers has been involved with National Public Lands Day since its inception in 1994.



Photo provided by Viola Bramel.

Workers use wheelbarrows to complete a project at West Hill Dam.



Photo provided by Tim Russell.

Young volunteers stain picnic tables at Buffumville Lake.

Ribbon cutting ceremony commemorates completed third Border Patrol Station

New England District officials joined their Congressional and Border Patrol partners in celebrating the completion of the third Border Patrol Station recently built in Maine.

Partners cut the ribbon on the new 50-agent Van Buren Border Patrol Station in Van Buren, Maine on Sept. 25. Lt. Col. Stephen Lefebvre, New England District's Deputy Commander as well as the Van Buren Construction Team represented the District at the ceremony.

"Our team of partners, which includes our local congressional delegation, the Office of Border Patrol and Department of Homeland Security, our Contractors and the Corps of Engineers has shared a unique working relationship in completing this important project for border control and the defense of our nation," said Lt. Col. Lefebvre. "We welcome continued partnerships of this kind to help support the vitally important readiness mission of the Office of Border Patrol and Department of Homeland Security, the state of Maine and the nation."

Through the "One-Door-To-The-Corps" concept, the Architect-Engineer Resource Center at the Corps' Fort Worth District initially requested New England District provide a new



Photo provided by Christine Johnson-Battista

Contractors had to endure -20 degree temperatures and a record 200 inch snow fall in Maine during construction.

25-agent Border Patrol Station to replace the existing one in Van Buren. Changes during design resulted in the 50-agent station that was built.

Two local contractors were hired to construct the Van Buren Border Patrol Station in phases. The main building was constructed by CJP Associates of Caribou, Maine while the four additions—garage, vehicle maintenance bay, sallyport and Intelligence Unit were constructed by a separate construction contract, which was awarded to Cyr Construction, also of Caribou, Maine.

CJP began work on its \$6.4 million construction contract for construction of the main building in June 2006 and completed it on schedule in November 2007. CJP, via a contract modification, performed some interior systems work for the four additions as well as final

landscaping. This work coincided with Cyr's construction schedule. Cyr began construction on its \$2.3 million contract for construction of the four additions in May 2007 and completed constructing in July 2008, at which time the project was 100 percent complete and turned over to the Border Patrol. "Thank you and congratulations to our contractors who constructed the project," said Lt. Col. Lefebvre. "It is important to recognize the spirit of cooperation that was exhibited by both contractors who actually worked on the site side by side from May 2007 until July 2008."

Constructing the Van Buren Border Patrol Station on time and within budget was not easy. The contractors had to contend with severe weather conditions that included -20 degree temperatures and a record 200-inch snowfall accumulation for the year. "Even under these trying conditions, our contractors did an excellent job of completing construction in the sometimes challenging terrain and working in extremely variable weather conditions of this region," said Lt. Col. Lefebvre.

Other participants in the ribbon cutting event were Sharon Campbell, Senator Olympia Snowe's representative; Phil Bosse, Sen. Susan Collins' representative; Barbara Hayslett, Congressman Michael Michaud's representative; Gary Viens, Deputy Division Chief, Office of Border Patrol in Washington, D.C.; Joseph Mellia, Chief Patrol Agent, Houlton Sector; Alfredo Casillas, Deputy Chief, Houlton Sector; and Mark Albert, Border Patrol Agent in charge of the new Van Buren facility.

"I want to thank the entire team for your dedication and hard work in the successful completion of this important project," said Lt. Col. Lefebvre.



Photo by Tom Rosato.

Lt. Col. Stephen Lefebvre (fifth from left) and other project partners cut the ribbon on new border patrol facility.



Contractors work on Atlas Tack Superfund site in June 2007.

Atlas Tack Superfund site receives Build America Award

The Associated General Contractors of America and AON Construction Services Groups have awarded the Atlas Tack Superfund Project the winner of the 2008 Build America Award in the New Environmental Project Category.

The plaque was awarded to the New England District Team and its contractor Weston Solutions during a special awards ceremony held Oct. 1 in the Concord Park cafeteria. The award symbolizes excellence in the construction industry and honors projects that exhibit the best in project management, innovation and construction techniques and sensitivity to the environment.

“This is pretty significant since they only award one of these a year in each category,” said Col. Philip T. Feir, District Commander, during the awards ceremony.

The Atlas Tack Corp. Superfund Site, located in Fairhaven, Mass., is a former industrial manufacturing facility whose soils, sediments, groundwater and surface water were contaminated with heavy metals, volatile organic compounds and other contaminants. The site’s wetlands were filled with wastes from the former manufacturing processes that included electroplating, acid washing, enameling and painting. Site work began in May 2005.

The \$19 million dollar contract involved the remediation of commercial land and salt marsh at the site. The 15 month

project was completed on schedule and under budget with over \$2.8 million in savings due to value engineering proposals associated with the transportation and disposal of contaminated material. Some of the project statistics included excavation and offsite disposal of 78,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil, sediment and debris, stabilization of 4,500 tons of material, construction and reconstruction of five acres of salt lower marsh, five acres of freshwater wetland, 2,500 linear feet of tidal creek and restoration of the entire site. The remediation and restoration of the site was completed in September 2007. Monitoring effects will continue for several years. The Atlas Tack Superfund project is not the first New England District project to be honored with a Build America Award.

Just last year the GE Housatonic River Superfund project in Massachusetts received the honor as did the East Woolen Mills Superfund project in Maine in 2004. Weston Solutions served as the District’s contractor on all three sites. “We’ve got a great relationship with Weston and we’ve had great projects,” said Col. Feir. “Three projects awarded in five years – outstanding.”

Members of the New England District team are Heather Sullivan, Chris Turek, Todd Randall, Dave Lubianez, Mark Anderson and Mike Penko.

North Springfield Lake hosts Japanese Knotweed Workshop

By Kristy King
UCRB SCA Wildlife Intern

A Japanese Knotweed Workshop was held at North Springfield Lake in North Springfield, Vt., on Saturday, Aug. 23. More than 30 people participated in the event. The workshop was hosted by the Upper Connecticut River Basin of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and co-sponsored by the Ottauquechee Natural Resource Conservation District (ONRCD). The purpose of the workshop was to inform the public on methods to control Japanese Knotweed.

Japanese Knotweed (*Polygonum cuspidatum*) is an invasive plant from Eastern Asia. It was introduced into the area as an ornamental plant and as a plant to prevent erosion. Japanese Knotweed grows in dense clusters which inhibit the growth of native vegetation and alter the natural ecosystem. New branches and roots can sprout from every node on the plant's stem, so mowing should not be used as a method of eradication. The plant poses a significant threat to riparian areas. When managing for Japanese Knotweed along riparian areas, care should be taken to prevent the transporting of plant pieces downstream.

The workshop was divided into a discussion/lecture section and a demonstration section. Linda Schneider (ONRCD) began the lecture section of the workshop with a warm welcome and discussed the philosophy of living with invasive plants.

Two management options were given for dealing with Japanese Knotweed. Kelly Stettner (Black River Action Team) explained her experience with the cut and re-cut method. The theory is that Japanese Knotweed will eventually die if it is cut frequently for 6+ years. To help the process, the cut area may be covered with a tarp to prevent sunlight from reaching the plants. The tarp should extend 60 feet past the cut area to prevent the roots from sprouting up. This method is only viable with a persistent worker and a small

patch of Japanese Knotweed.

The second management option discussed was the use of herbicides. Jeffrey Taylor (Vegetation Control Service, Inc.) lectured on the benefits of using herbicides and demonstrated foliar application of herbicides on Japanese Knotweed. When used correctly, glyphosate (e.g., Roundup or Rodeo) can be an effective method for controlling Japanese Knotweed. Many people avoid using herbicides for fear of

contaminating ground water or killing other vegetation. Glyphosate can only kill a plant if it comes in contact with its leaves. The chemical becomes neutralized if it drops onto the soil. The glyphosate binds to the soil. This prevents other plants from taking up the chemical with their roots and prevents chemicals from leaching into groundwater. Foliar application of glyphosate is very effective for controlling large areas of Japanese Knotweed. Taylor used a backpack mist blower and a backpack hand pump



Marie Lavesque Caduto demonstrating the cut and dab method.

to demonstrate the application process. A solution of two percent glyphosate and water should be thoroughly applied to wet the leaves of the plant. To avoid wasting chemicals, try not to apply so much solution that it drips off the leaves.

Marie Lavesque Caduto (VT Dept. of Environmental Conservation) demonstrated the second technique for applying herbicides. The cut and dab method uses 25 percent glyphosate. The stem of the Japanese Knotweed is cut two inches from the ground and the stump is dabbed with the herbicide solution.

Gary Pelton (USACE) explained how he has been using herbicides to deal with the Japanese Knotweed problem at North Springfield Lake for the last three years. The program has had a good success rate in dealing with the problem, but they are constantly battling with Japanese Knotweed. For more information on Japanese Knotweed and its control, contact Gary Pelton at (978) 318-8442 or gary.w.pelton@usace.army.mil. The workshop was filmed by Springfield Area Public Access (SAPA) for future airing on a local access television station.



Photo provided by Oest Associates

Renovations to the laser lab at the U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center in Natick, Mass., will begin in November.

Corps of Engineers awards contract to renovate laser lab at Army Soldier Systems Center in Natick

by Timothy Dugan
Public Affairs Office

A laser lab will be renovated at the U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center in Natick, Mass., under the terms of a \$844,417 contract issued recently by the New England District.

The contract was awarded to SMART, LCC of Chelsea, Mass. According to Project Manager Ken Paton, work will include the interior renovation of approximately 7,700 square feet of research lab and offices in the north end of Building 16, excluding Room 115. The space is being renovated to house offices and research labs. The lab area renovation includes the selective demolition of

various mechanical equipment and electrical utilities (including Room 115), walls, doors, and miscellaneous architectural components and finishes. The work involves installing new walls and doors, new ceilings, new architectural finishes on all surfaces, new electrical services, utilities and lighting within the renovated areas, and a new HVAC system for the renovated area. Also included in the work is the structural reinforcing of the existing roof structure.

Work will be accomplished under the supervision of a Corps of Engineers construction representative to assure compliance with contract requirements. Construction is scheduled to begin in November.

Col. Feir...

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system, but it looks like that isn't going to happen, so we'll just have to adjust; just as we've adjusted to a multitude of changes over the years. Again, the list of challenges seems rather lengthy, but I remain convinced that there's nothing out there we can't handle.

And although we remain very busy, we are being asked to take on another important mission – supporting the Gulf Region Division, more specifically Gulf Region Central. GRD currently has 300 projects ongoing in the Middle East and that will soon shoot up to 500. The District is being asked to provide seven volunteers in various positions for 6-month tours beginning in January 2009. I will not strong-arm anyone into going – I will only ask that you seriously consider stepping up to the plate and helping out on this most worthwhile, exciting mission. Our Nation needs your expertise and support to make our efforts in the Middle East a success; efforts that will hopefully pay huge dividends for many years to come. Thus, I beseech you to please contact your supervisor or our Deputy Commander, Lt. Col. Stephen Lefebvre, for more information if you are interested in helping out.

In closing I just want to say again how excited I am to be a part of this wonderful organization. I consider myself not only your Commander, but your Team Champion. My door is always open. Keep up the good work!

Building Strong!



Thousands of Boy Scouts participated in MassJam 2008 on the Cape.

Cape Cod Canal personnel participate in 2008 MassJam



Park Ranger Roger Hagen answers questions and takes scouts through the interactive exercise.

Thousands of Boy Scouts and accompanying adults participated in the Boy Scouts of America's 2008 MassJam held in Falmouth, Mass., on Cape Cod.

Members of the U.S. Army Corps Engineers Cape Cod Canal Field Office operated an interactive booth and educational exercise for the Scouts during the event.

Cape Cod Canal personnel used a video display showing the new electronic AIS (Automated Information System) tracking of a vessel. The display segmented the 10-hour voyage condensed to about five minutes.

Personnel also ran an interactive voice/documentation traffic control exercise with this same large car carrier "Aphrodite Leader" transiting the Cape Cod Canal from Davisville, Rhode Island to Boston, Mass.

MassJam is a mini-jamboree event that brings together troops and crews from almost every Council in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. *(Story and photos by Kevin Burke)*

NAD leaders hold special town meeting at District

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Addressing the six month detail, Lt. Col. Lefebvre said he understood the apprehension some people might have about leaving their families for that period of time. "I left my son who was five years old at the time and it wasn't easy, but I was able to communicate with him via video teleconference and the time goes by really fast," he said.

He concluded by encouraging people to visit the Gulf Region Division website for more information at <http://www.grd.usace.army.mil> as well as talking to their fellow District employees who have deployed to Iraq in the past.

Brig. Gen. Semonite followed Lt. Col. Lefebvre and congratulated District employees on their nearly flawless year end closeout. "You came in a .1 percent," he said. "Great job!"

The Division Commander also praised the District's Civil Works milestones, military construction, and FUDS as well as mentioning specific projects such as Boston Harbor dredging, the controversial Winthrop Shores Regulatory permit application, and the Fox Point Hurricane Barrier and Woonsocket local protection project. "You're all doing an excellent job, and I'm glad Col. Feir

is on board," he said.

Brig. Gen. Semonite then talked about supporting the work being done in Iraq. Although New England District is targeting certain professions, Brig. Gen. Semonite said he would be happy to send everyone who wants to contribute to the effort. "The bottom line is this – if you want to go to the Gulf Region Center, we're going to find a way for you to go," he said.

The General said that the work in Iraq is a Corps mission – just like Disaster Recovery efforts or working on the Boston Harbor Dredging Project – and like any mission, the Corps needs people to help accomplish it. He named five reasons why he feels people will want to volunteer, and detailed each reason as he went through them:

- Helping fight the Global War on Terrorism
- The Iraqi people – making their quality of life better
- A sense of adventure
- Career
- Money

Brig. Gen. Semonite answered questions regarding his presentation and encouraged anyone interested in volun-

teering to go to the GRD website listed above.

During the awards portion of the ceremony, Craig Hysler received the Corps of Engineers Hard Hat of the Year Award.

The New England District National Water Team received the Army Certificate of Achievement Award for their outstanding work on Hurricanes Ike and Gustav. Team members are John Asseng, George Claflin, JoAnn Dawber, David Goodrich, James Hachigain, Michael Keegan, Richard Kristoff, Joseph MacKay, Jeffrey Mangum, Randy Lecuyer, Duban Montoya, Phil Morrison, William Mullen, Steve Patchkofsky, Reese Piper, Dale Berkness, Brett D. Markure, Rachel Raposa, Heather Sullivan and Sheila Winston-Vincuilla.

The Atlas Tack Superfund Team and contractor Weston Solutions received the 2008 Build America Award in the new Environmental Project Category by The Associated General Contractors of America and AON Construction Services Groups. Members of the New England District team are Heather Sullivan, Chris Turek, Todd Randall, Dave Lubianez, Mark Anderson, and Mike Penko.



Photo provided by Bill Mullen.

They just keep giving...

Members of the New England District National Water Team (from left: John Asseng, Bill Mullen, and Steve Patchkofsky) donate blood to the American Red Cross during at their Louisiana Hotel after working a 12-hour shift during the Hurricane Gustav Recovery mission. The team headed straight from the Gustav mission right to the Hurricane Ike Recovery mission. The entire team was recognized for their incredible work during the Oct. 1 Town Meeting.

Dredging up the past . . .



The New England District team who deployed to Iraq in 2005: First Row Left to Right: Bob Hanacek, Ken Paton, Farrell McMillan, Don Hassett and Don Wood. Second Row: Chris Lindsay and Rich Riley. Third Row: Falah Thamer Al Badry (Iraqi Engineer) and Dave Kratz.

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