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Corps of Engineers' employees recognized for service

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. -- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville recognized seven employees and one team for their service during its annual Engineer Day celebration June 16, 2006. The annual event commemorates the birthday of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers which turned 231 years old June 16.

Sandy Oliver was selected as Administrative Support Employee of the Year for her work over the past year as the Administrative Officer to the Management Review Office.

Wesley Turner was awarded the Commander's Leadership Award for his superior leadership as the Technical Manager of an interdisciplinary team responsible for the design of the Bluegrass Chemical Agent Pilot Plant for the destruction of the Chemical Weapon Stockpile at Pueblo Chemical Depot in Colorado.

Ginger Gruber was named the Contracting Professional of the Year for her work with the Military Construction Transformation Initiative.

John Samuelson accepted the Employee of the Year Award. Samuelson was selected to be a team member on the Corps-wide Competition Performance Work Statement team that developed a solicitation that met the realistic needs of the Corps of Engineers Information Management and Information Technology organization.

Michael Duffy was named the Innovator of the Year for his role in writing and developing an innovative pre-acquisition strategy for marketing the Corps of Engineers' capabilities to the Department of the Army for executing the Military Transformation Program.

Timothy Howard garnered the Engineer of the Year Award for his expertise and leadership as the Program Manager of an interdisciplinary team responsible for the design and construction of facilities for the Missile Defense Agency.

Margaret Simmons was named Volunteer of the Year for her work with Girl Scouts of America.



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The Quality Council was awarded the Teamwork Award for their efforts in developing Huntsville Center's first comprehensive Quality Management System. The team represents a cross section of employees from a variety of directorates and small offices and consists of: Alicia Allen, Donna (Sue) Baber, Shirley Burke-Mitchell, Donnie Butler, Dale Campbell, Michael Collum, Pam Draper, Shay Duckett, Gina Elliot, Arkie Fanning, Delores Foster, Brett Frazier, Lisa Gayman, Chiquita Goodloe-Suggs, Lois Grey, Jim Haywood, Tammie Learned, Sherry Masters, George Murphy, Betty Neff, William F. Noel, Cheryl Renz-Olar, Angela Rackard, John Sikes, Stan Sillivant, Kathy Simmons, Debra Valine and Todd Wood.