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"WELCOME TO ISHPEMING!"

Good Morning Engineers,
Those of you expecting to see the reunion scheduled for Kingsford will be surprised to see that the reunion has been moved to Ishpeming. As a result of the move to Ishpeming we also had to change the reunion dates. The reason for the change of dates is that the Ishpeming Armory was already reserved for the original dates selected at the business meeting in Baraga for the 2011 reunion.

As a result of the 1432nd Engineer Company in Kingsford preparing to train out of state and deploy overseas, they felt they could not adequately support the 2011 reunion. So the decision was made to move the reunion to Ishpeming. I hope this decision did not cause too many problems for our members.

LTC(ret) Tom Perry
Secretary and Bull Sheet editor

SCHEDULE of EVENTS

Friday, 12 August 2011

1200-1800 Registration, Equipment Displays
1800-TBD Social with HSC/FSC Pictorial Slide Show
From 2007-2008 Deployment

Saturday, 13 August 2011

0700-0900 Breakfast at Armory
0800-1100 Self Guided Local Events (Golf, Museums, etc)
1100-1200 Memorial Ceremony at Armory Flag Pole
1200-1300 Lunch (Cook-out)
1300-1400 107th Association Business Meeting
1300-1700 Continuation of Equipment Displays and
Self Guided Local Tours
1700-1800 Social Hour
1800-1900 Start of Banquet
1900-TBD Music & Dancing

Sunday, 14 August 2011

0900-1100 Brunch at Armory, Conclusion of Reunion

Pictured at right in Baraga(l to r): SPC Jon Wheeler, HSC; CPT Clint Kupari, Co A alumni/AGR and current member of 82nd Infantry Div (Airborne); SFC Scott Cleary, HSC and Co A alumni.

Things to see and do in the Ishpeming Area

Cliff's Shaft Mining Museum / Gift Shop open from Tues-Sat, 1200-1700, Adults, \$5 Children 13-18 \$3, 12 and under free (The PVT Joseph Heimes Memorial Rock that previously was on display in front of the Armory is now on display here.)

Michigan Iron Industry Museum, open Mon-Sun 0930-1630, admission free / donations welcomed

Wawonowin Golf Info (tee times call 485-1435), Fees: 18 holes \$25 / 18 holes guest or U.P.G.A. Member \$22
9 holes \$15 / 9 holes guest or U.P.G.A. Member \$12 Cart Rental
18 holes non member \$11 per person / member \$11 per person
9 holes non member \$6 per person / member \$6 per person

DA Yoopers Tourist Trap, free admission - have to call on days/times open

US Ski & Snowboard Hall of Fame, open Mon-Sat 1000-1700, free admission / donations welcomed

Marquette Maritime Museum (location-Marquette), open daily from 1000-1700, Lighthouse tours at 1100/1400/1500/1600 daily; fees: museum only or lighthouse only \$4.00, both museum and lighthouse \$7.00



TAPS

*Day is done, gone the sun
From the lake, from the hill.
From the sky
All is well, safely rest. God is nigh.*

*Thanks and praise for our days
'neath the sun, 'neath the stars,
'neath the sky.
As we go, this we know. God is nigh.*

Name	Unit(s)	Date of Death
BAKER LTC(ret), Nelson	B,107R	1-Oct-09
BRENNAN, Thomas	C/107E,F/112R,522 Engr	unk
CASTER, John	B,107R	1-Apr-09
DUCKWORTH LTC(ret), Winston E,	107R	19-Mar-10
GIESE(Ken), Pat	HHC/107NG	1-Jul-10
GREENWOOD, MAJ(ret), Hank	Army Advisor	1-Jan-10
HILBERG, Clifford	B, 107NG	19-Nov-09
HUGHES, Daniel	Band, 107R	23-Jun-09
LaMUTH, Joseph	C,107R/A,254E	23-Jan-03
MELKA Jr.SSG(ret),Roy	HHC/107NG	23-Mar-11
MUHLEMAN, Jerome	C, 107R	unk
NENO, Sr, John	H&S/254E	13-May-10
PAQUETTE, Edmond	Band, 107R	May-09
SALONEN, Walter	300 AAA/B,107NG	10-Oct-07
SHELDON, CW3(ret) William	HHC, 107NG	11 Apr 11
SYRJALA, Maurice	E/107R,E/112R,B/254E	21-Jan-09



Association Information

1. Our internet web address is www.107thengineers.org. The minutes from the 2010 business meeting and lots of other info about the battalion and Association is posted on the website.
2. I am always interested in receiving names, mailing addresses and e-mail addresses for ANY battalion retiree or alumni. Send them to me so I can add them to our mailing list.
3. If you have an article, a picture, or whatever that you would like to see printed in the "Bull Sheet" please send them to the Ishpeming Armory address on the Bull Sheet masthead or e-mail me at secretary@107thengineers.org. I am always interested in receiving names, mailing addresses and e-mail addresses for ANY battalion retiree or alumni.

Registered members who attended the 2010 Reunion at Baraga

Mel Anderson	Negaunee, MI
Jim Baker	L'Anse, MI
Craig Barnhart	Gladstone, MI
Jim Beckman	Marquette, MI
Otto Bennick	Baraga, MI
Alfred Bourdeau	Rockland, MI
Matt Bramble	Calumet, MI
Gary Brown	Calumet, MI
Donald Bussiere	Ontonagon, MI
Steve Carlson	Nisula, MI
Scott Cleary	Mass, MI
Reuben Collins	Sidnaw, MI
Richie Cronkright	Sidnaw, MI
David Crowley	Laurium, MI
Eric Dahlgren	Munising, MI
Donald DeRoche	Ishpeming, MI
Dan DeRoche	Mt Pleasant, MI
Jim Dougovito	L'Anse, MI
John Elliott	Champion, MI
Mike Floriano	Kingsford, MI
James Fredrickson	Livonia, MI
Jon French	Baraga, MI
Fuzzy Garceau	Negaunee, MI
Dan Garceau	Ishpeming, MI
Rick Geroux	Baraga, MI
Jeff Gibson	Stambaugh, MI
Mike Giroux	Ishpeming, MI
Bob Groop	Crystal Falls, MI
Joe Hall	Wyoming, MI
Mike Hanmer	Iron River, MI
Dan Hansen	Esکانaba, MI
Gerald Harry	Hancock, MI
Larry Hebert	Baraga, MI
Jessica Hernandes	Baraga, MI
Peter Hill	Plainwell, MI
Arnold Hintsala(WW II)	Negaunee, MI
Darrell Hood	Baraga, MI
Tim Houle	Skanee, MI
Jim Hutcheson	Peoria, IL
Henry Ilenich	Laurium, MI
Ed Jachimski	Negaunee, MI
Lenny Janssen	Wakefield, MI
Joel Jarvi	Negaunee, MI
Robert Jeannotte	Hubbell, MI
Tom Johnson	Keaton, MI
Brandon June	Baraga, MI
Donald Kelloniemi	Gladstone, MI
Jason Killoran	Baraga, MI
Jessie Kohtala	Marquette, MI
Ozzie Koski	Houghton, MI
Clint Kupari	Fayetteville, NC
Gary LaFreniere	Ishpeming, MI
Gene LaRochelle	Calumet, MI
Eugene Larson	Negaunee, MI
Hubie LaRue	Baraga, MI
Randy Loveless	Skandia, MI
Charlie Lundin	Ishpeming, MI
David Lundin	Ishpeming, MI
Terry Martin	Marquette, MI
John McCormick	Sterling Hgts, MI
Robert "Mac" McGuire(WW II)	Centerville, IA
Mark McNeill	Marquette, MI
Tim Miller	Marquette, MI
Jim Moulds	Munising, MI
Howard Nichola(WW II)	Dodgeville, MI

Registered members who attended the 2010 Reunion at Baraga (continued)

Jim Noel	Gladstone, MI
Jake Nyquist	Gladstone, MI
Tom Perry	Ishpeming, MI
John Peterson	Ishpeming, MI
Michael Roberts	L'Anse, MI
Robert Rochon	Norway, MI
Jason Rolling	Negaunee, MI
Jim Rowe	Lake Linden, MI
Larry Rule	Laurium, MI
Ellsworth Semler	Kingsford, MI
Robert Sexton	Kingsford, MI
Bill Sheldon	Ishpeming, MI
James Sullivan	Nisula, MI
Kim Swenor	Ishpeming, MI
Joe Testolin	Kingsford, MI
Patricia Thomas	Baraga, MI
Jim Turnunen	L'Anse, MI
Bill Vertanen	Baraga, MI
Ed Vickstrom(WW II)	Ishpeming, MI
Tom Vukonich	Oxford, MI
Christina Waara	L'Anse, MI
Darrell Wagner	Sault Ste Marie, MI
Charles Wagner	Gladstone, MI
Doug Weesner	Iron River, MI
Jon Wheeler	Ishpeming, MI
Marshall Wickstrom	Laurium, MI
Dick Wills(WW II)	Negaunee, MI

(Editor's Note: If you were at the reunion and your name does not appear on this list, there could be two reasons. One, I made a mistake and I apologize. But the most likely reason is; you didn't register. Please register with the front desk if you attend the reunion, even if you don't stay for the banquet. Thanks.)



LTC Pete Hill, Cdr, 107th Engineer Battalion promotes CPT Brandon June, Cdr, 1432nd Engineer Company. In the background is CSM Darrell Wagner.

New life members for 2010: Carlton BABB, Grand Ledge, MI; Bob BEAUDRY, Kingsford, MI; Reuben COLLINS, Sidnaw, MI; Jon COMPTON, Ishpeming, MI; Fritz EHRHARDT, Vulcan, MI; Dan HANSEN, Escanaba, MI; Greg HARRIS, Highland, MI; Larry HEBERT, Baraga, MI; John HENDRA, Calumet, MI; Tim HOULE, Skanee, MI; Jim HUTCHESON, Peoria, IL; Lenny JANSSEN, Wakefield, MI; Robert JEANOTTE, Hubbell, MI; Tom LAITINEN, Gwinn, MI; Hubie LaRUE, Baraga, MI; Bill LUETZOW, Palmer, MI; James McClUNG, Marquette, MI; Tim MILLER, Marquette, MI; Frank PHILLIPS, Chassell, MI; William SCHMIDT, Vulcan, MI; Patricia THOMAS, Baraga, MI; Ed VICKSTROM, Ishpeming, MI(WW II); Marshal WICKSTROM, Laurium, MI

Every year some of our members send in extra money for expense along with their dues. I hope I didn't miss anybody.

Mel ANDERSON; Neil F. ANDERSON(WW II); Gervase AUDETTE(WW II); Herb BASTION(WW II); Bob BEAUDRY; Otto BENNICK; Joe BROWN; Jack CALCATERRA; Will CARNE; Gary CRONKRIGHT; Eric DAHLGREN; Joe DeSANTIS; Butch DeVERNEY; Fritz EHRHARDT; John ELLIOT; George EYSTER(WW II); Jake FORD; Joe FLORIANO; Mike FLORIANO; Jim FREDRICKSON; Jack FRYE(WW II); Fuzzy GARCEAU; Greg HARRIS; Ed JACHIMSKI; Joel JARVI; Fritz KESANEN; Ozzie KOSKI; John McCORMICK; Al MEDWIN(WW II); Stanley MOLONEY(WW II); Howard NICHOLA(WW II); Marie OJA; Joe PATACONI(WW II); Al PEGOLO(WW II); Pat PEQUET; Thaddeus PIWOWAR(WW II); Judson SCHULER(WW II); Bill SHELDON; Art STEVENSON(WW II); Gordon USITALO(WW II); William VOREL(WW II); Darrell WAGNER; Dick WILLS(WW II)

A special thanks goes out to SSG(ret) Bob WILSON, Co C retiree/expat living in Thailand, for paying the annual costs for the website.....again!

Future Reunion Locations, Here are the PROPOSED locations, subject to approval of the membership, for the next 3 years; 2012, Calumet, 2013, Sault Ste. Marie, 2014, Gladstone. It is difficult to set locations too far in advance because we never know when one of our units will be mobilized or perform AT out of the state or country. That's why we had to make a change after the 2010 Business Meeting for the location and dates for the 2011 reunion.

(Draft Copy, not approved by the membership)

107th Engineer Association
Business Meeting Minutes
14 August 2010
Baraga, MI

The meeting was called to order at 1301 hrs by President Jim Turnunen. There were 32 members present.

Secretary Tom Perry read the 2009 business meeting minutes. A motion was made by Don DeRoche and seconded by Dan Garceau to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Treasurer Don Bussiere presented the 2010 Treasurers Report which is attached as a part of these minutes. A motion was made by Dan Garceau and seconded by Ed Jachimski to approve the report as presented. Motion carried.

Lineage and Honors Committee. No report at this time. Chairman Joe Floriano had drill this weekend.

The purpose of this committee is to capture the activities and mobilizations of the battalion since September 11, 2001. Joe Floriano is soliciting volunteers to gather info and data about each of the different platoons and companies that deployed. If you want to help in this effort, please contact Mr. Floriano.

Old Business:

The website fees have been paid by donations from two members, Bob Wilson (Co C retiree) and Ross Stevens (Co A/1431st retiree). A motion was made by Bob Jeannotte and seconded by Jim Dougovito to award Ross a life membership and a 107th hat for his work in developing and maintaining the website over the years. Motion carried. The members present also unanimously thanked Bob Wilson (already a Life Member) by acclamation for his generous donations for the past few years to keep the website funded. It was suggested that the Association take ownership and therefore financial responsibility for the website domain and the fees. Secretary Perry checked with Webmaster Ross Stevens. Ross said he was not worried about the financial responsibilities for owning and maintaining the website. He considered it a part of his support for the Association. Issue closed.

Ed Jachimski is still working with Fred Stonehouse to update of the history book from 1981 to 2001. Fred Stonehouse is the author of the original history book published in 1981.

The PVT Joseph Heimes' rock has been moved and is on display at the CCI museum. A professionally matted picture of the rock on display at the museum is hanging in the Calumet Armory. Thanks to Gary LaFreniere for completing these two projects.

The battalion lineage signs on display in the Ishpeming Armory have been repainted. The cost was slightly higher than expected. An additional \$100 is needed to pay for the completed work. Said motion was made by Gerry Harry and seconded by Steve Burton. Motion carried.

New Business:

**A motion was made by Bob Jeannotte and seconded by Ed Jachimski to nominate 1432nd Engineer Company in Kingsford as the location for the 2011 reunion. Motion carried.

**A motion was made by Ed Jachimski and seconded by Don Bussiere to set 19-21 August 2011 as the dates for the next reunion. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Steve Burton and seconded by Jim Dougovito to approve the following slate of officers. Motion carried.

- a. **President, 1LT Jesse Kohtala, 1432nd Engr Co
- b. **Vice President, 1SG Douglas Weesner, 1432nd Engr Co
- c. Secretary, LTC(ret) Thomas Perry
- d. Treasurer, 1SG(ret) Donald Bussiere
- e. Public Relations Officer, MAJ Scott Etelamaki
- f. Historian, CW5 Joseph Floriano
- g. Chaplain, MAJ(ret) Edwin Jachimski
- h. Permanent Director(Battalion Commander), LTC Edward Hallenbeck
- i. 4 Year Director, 1SG(ret) Butch DeVerney
- j. 3 Year Director, SGM(ret) Danny Garceau
- k. 2 Year Director, SGT(ret) Joseph Testolin
- l. 1 Year Director, MAJ(ret) Edward (Chum) Leask
- m. Secretary Emeritus, Mr. Edward Vickstrom

***The location and dates for the 2011 reunion had to be changed because the 1432nd Engr Co had conflicts with deployment and training requirements. The Association Executive Committee, in conjunction with Battalion leadership, determined that the following changes are warranted for the 2011 reunion.*

Location: Ishpeming Armory
 Hosts: Field Support Company with assistance from Headquarters Support Company
 Dates: 12-14 August 2011
 President: 1LT Christina Waara, Cdr, FSC, 107E
 VP: 1SG Patrick Dinkins, 1SG, FSC, 107E

Thank you for your understanding in these changes.)

It was suggested that the Lineage and Honors Committee look into some how commemorating all the commands that the Battalion Soldiers have served with/under during their deployments. Matter referred to committee.

It was suggested that a binder or listing be assembled to show all the deceased members of the Association as listed in the Bull Sheet TAPS section over the years. Don Bussiere volunteered to complete that task.

The Association membership extends a big thank you to the 1431st for an outstanding reunion and history room display.

MAJ(ret) Ed Jachimski lead the members in reciting the Association Pledge.

Motion to adjourn at 1340 hrs by Tom Perry and supported by Don Bussiere. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
 Thomas E. Perry
 Secretary

107th ENGINEER ASSOCIATION
 Executive Committee for 2010- 2011

President	1LT Christina Waara	Cdr, FSC, 107 th Eng Bn
Vice President	1SG Patrick Dinkins	1SG, FSC, 107 th Eng Bn
Secretary & Bull Sheet Editor	LTC (ret) Thomas Perry	HQ, 107 th Eng Bn
Treasurer	1SG (ret) Donald Bussiere	Co A, 107 th Eng Bn
Public Relations Officer	MAJ Scott Etelamaki	HSC, 107 th Eng Bn
Historian (Apt)	CW5 Joseph Floriano	HHC/FSC, 107 th Eng Bn
Chaplain (Apt)	MAJ(ret) Edwin Jachimski	HQ 107th Eng Bn
Permanent Director	LTC Edward Hallenbeck	Cdr, 107 th Eng Bn
4 Year Director	1SG(ret) Butch DeVerney	HHC, 107 th Eng Bn
3 Year Director	SGM(ret) Danny Garceau	HHC, 107 th Eng Bn
2 Year Director	SGT(ret) Joseph Testolin	Co D, 107 th Eng Bn
1 Year Director	MAJ(ret) Chum Leask	1437th, 107 th Eng Bn
Secretary Emeritus	Mr. Edward Vickstrom	H&S Company, 254 th Eng Bn



Ann and Bob "Mac" McGuire, Centerville, IA. Bob was one of only three 254th veterans to attend the 2010 reunion. He even got to take a ride in the Blackhawk helicopter.



The 1431st arranged to have a Blackhawk helicopter at the reunion. There were rides given to VIPs, and community leaders to thank them for their support of the unit.

Motels:

[Jasper Ridge Inn](#), 1000 River Parkway, Ishpeming, MI, Phone: (906) 485-2378

Suites & standard rooms, Whirlpool Suites, High-Speed Internet, Meeting room facility Outdoor Pool, The luxurious Jasper Ridge Inn is conveniently located in Ishpeming's Country Village where you'll find dining, shopping, entertainment and recreation

[Visit Website](#), [Email Us](#)

[Best Western Country Inn](#), 850 U.S. 41 Hwy, Ishpeming, MI, Phone: (906) 485-6345

60 spacious rooms, Whirlpool Suite, High-Speed Internet, Pool & Whirlpool, Restaurant Adjacent, The Best Western Country Inn is Ishpeming's largest hotel property offering 60 comfortable guest rooms for you to relax in. Whether you are visiting the area on your summer vacation or working on an important sales trip the Best Western Country Inn is your choice for affordable and comfortable lodging.

[Visit Website](#), [Email Us](#)

[Quartz Mountain Inn](#), 791 US 41 East, Negaunee, MI, Phone: (906) 475-7165, Nightly Rooms, Extended Stay, Breakfast Buffet

[Visit Website](#), [Email Us](#)

[Wonderland Motel](#), 873 Palms Ave., Ishpeming, MI, Phone: (906) 485-1044

Campgrounds:

[Country Village RV Park](#), 1200 Country Lane, Ishpeming, MI, Phone: (906) 486-0300

[Van Riper State Park Campground](#), 851 County Road Ake, Champion, MI 49814-9786
(906) 339-4461

There are many more motels and campgrounds in the Marquette area. I just listed the local Ishpeming/Negaunee businesses.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION: To Make or Cancel a Banquet Reservation, Please notify the individuals below:

1. **Before 15 July 2011** mail the notice below to: 107th Engineer Association, 900 Palms Ave., Ishpeming, MI 49849-1064
2. **After 15 July 2011** Call the Ishpeming Armory at 906-485-2520.

PLEASE RETURN THE BELOW SECTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, **WHETHER OR NOT** YOU PLAN ON ATTENDING THE REUNION, to ensure your contact information is correct. This will also help us a great deal in preparing for this year's reunion and keeping our membership records up to date.

-----CLIP AND SEND IN BELOW INFORMATION / RETAIN THE ABOVE-----

1. I (will) or (will not) be present for the **50th** Annual Reunion of the 107th Engineer Association at Ishpeming, MI.
(circle your choice)
2. Reserve _____ place(s) for me at the banquet / dance on Saturday, 13 August 2011. My guest(s) for this event will be
(how many)
_____.

3. *(Please check one)*
____ My association dues of \$ _____ (\$5.00 per year) are enclosed for _____ years;
-or- _____ (how many)
____ My association lifetime membership dues of \$50.00 are enclosed.
-or- _____
____ I am a lifetime member.

(Optional)

____ Enclosed are \$ _____ towards printing and mailing expense.

3. My name and address is _____

4. I joined the 107 / 112 / 254 / 522 at _____ in the year of _____

5. I left the unit in (year) _____ at (city) _____ because _____

For those individuals with internet access please complete the following:

6. My Email address is: _____.

7. For more info please check the Association web site at "**http://www.107thEngineers.org**"