

Army Engineer Spouses' Club
Castle Gram

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Join us for a beer tasting event!

Mad Fox Brewing Company

444 West Broad St

Falls Church, VA

March 15, 2014

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

We will sample various beers and enjoy a variety of food sides

Let's get together for some fun and camaraderie

Cost is \$35.00 per person

Please pay by check made out to AESC and mailed to:

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P.O. Box 6332

Alexandria, VA 22306-6332

You may also pay by credit card at the event if you RSVP in advance

Please RSVP by March 12



"Keeping our worldwide Engineer family connected - through the years and across the miles."



Kathy Moakler
President

The Gavel



...a note from our President

Dear Friends:

Yet ANOTHER snow storm blows outside my window as I write this. We've been slogging through the snow, the pot holes, the school closings and delays. Unfortunately, I think the wintry weather has been so wide spread that you all have been experiencing this. We can look forward to March with spring around the corner.

We have several events planned for March. Our Board meeting is always the first Wednesday of the month. Did you know that all members are invited? We usually have lunch and spend a couple of hours pouring over club business. Check the newsletter for location or shoot me an email.

Our annual Knollwood bake sale is fun for the board members who participate and for the residents. I'm hoping to make it there this year but will definitely be making my world famous sausage cheese balls. The folks who live at Knollwood snap them up and put them in their freezers in anticipation of get-togethers they have with each other. Why not share your favorite baked goodie, party snack or recipe? See more info in the newsletter this month.

March 15 will see us at Mad Fox Brewing Company for a beer tasting event. Come alone or bring your spouse. Join us and have fun!

Several of us will be getting together to review the applications for the AEMA and Geraldine K. Morris scholarships in a few weeks. I know we will be amazed by the caliber of our Engineer kids.

Bette Meuleners is still searching for nominees for next year's board. Come join us!

Keep warm and dry, wish for spring! It's coming, I know it is.

Essayons!
Kathy Moakler





*Our February Board meeting was held at the home of Lynda Flowers
Thanks to Mollie and Connie for the refreshments!*



February Board Meeting

2013-2014 AESC OFFICERS

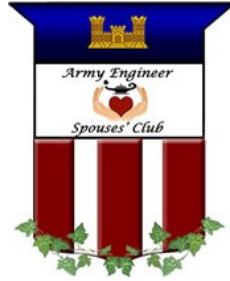
2013-2014 AESC
ELECTED OFFICERS

PRESIDENT – KATHY MOAKLER
VICE-PRESIDENT – ROSEMARY DAVIS
SECRETARY – ALLISON CHAMBERLAYNE
TREASURER – DEBBIE RAPP
AEMA CHAIRPERSON – HOLLY SCHERER

APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS

PARLIAMENTARIAN – ROZ RILEY
MEMBERSHIP – JACKIE CALDWELL
HOSPITALITY – LYNDA FLOWERS
AEMA SCHOLARSHIP – LAURA PUTNAM
MEDIA TEAM: PUBLICITY/HISTORIAN – GLENDA HUDSON
NEWSLETTER – KAREN ANDERSON
WEBMASTER – SUSAN WRIGHT
FACEBOOK – ELIZABETH HILL
CIRCULATION – KARA ANDERSON
RESERVATIONS – ANITA LINK
WAYS AND MEANS – CONNIE SEMONITE
WELFARE/SERVICES – MOLLIE O'NEILL
LIAISON CHAIR: KNOLLWOOD – BETTY SWYGERT
FAIRFAX – JOYCE REBH
KNOLLWOOD BAKE SALE – PRISCILLA NOAH
NOMINATIONS – BETTE MEULENERS
NOMINATIONS & AD HOC VOLUNTEER—PAT O'NEILL
AD HOC VOLUNTEER – GENE VILLIVA
BETH MAZZANTI
ADVISORS
RENEE BOSTICK - SPOUSE, CHIEF OF ENGINEERS
VICKY GRONINGER - SPOUSE, CSM OF ENGINEERS
JACKIE CALDWELL- SES SPOUSE, DIRECTOR- MILPO
JOAN STOCKTON-SES SPOUSE, DIRECTOR-CEO





Upcoming Board Meeting

AESC Board Meeting

March 5

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

At the home of

Laura Putnam

9238 Point Replete Drive

Fort Belvoir, VA

Refreshments provided by Rosemary and Holly



BOARD MEETING



UPCOMING EVENTS



Note from your editor:

There are several opportunities for our members to be involved during the month of March. Please join us on March 15 at the Mad Fox Brewing Company. Come alone, or bring your spouse or a friend. Please remember to RSVP by March 12. Volunteer your time or contribute baked goods for the Knollwood Bake Sale on March 19. Finally, consider serving on the AESC Board for 2014-2015. If you are unsure about serving on the board, join us for our monthly meeting on March 5! Have a wonderful March!

- Karen Anderson



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Since opening in July 2010, Mad Fox Brewing Company has received significant accolades from its customers, media outlets and the brewing, restaurant and hospitality industry.

In the tradition of a Euro gastro brewpub, Mad Fox provides a unique dining experience that pairs handcrafted, award-winning beer with an appealing menu created in a scratch kitchen using locally-sourced and sustainable products whenever possible. The craft beers are brewed on-site using the finest ingredients sourced from across the country and internationally as well. The kitchen strives to use fresh ingredients from local farms, butchers and the nearby Falls Church Farmer's Market in preparing its creative offerings. Taste the difference with the appealing brewpub menu featuring hand-tossed artisan pizzas, creative burgers, signature frickles, weekly specials and more.

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BEER TASTING

AESC NOMINATIONS

Volunteers still needed for next year's AESC (2014-2015) Executive Board

We have a nominee for most of our positions, but still need a few more.

The positions we need to fill are:

VP—Plans monthly functions and takes place of President if necessary

Ways/Means - Castle Boutique -- Raises funds for club activities, does ordering, selling and fills on-line orders from the gift shop

Welfare/Services – reviews any welfare requests other than scholarships, coordinates volunteer opportunities for the club

Webmaster – maintains website, coordinates with online pay service, background in web design helpful, does not need to be local

FaceBook “master” – maintains our private FaceBook page

Please let either Bette Meuleners or Pat O’Neill know if you might be interested in joining the board—we’d LOVE to have you work with us! Or...let us know if you think someone you know would like to be on the board or you think would make a great board member!

Thanks you so much for helping us fill the board.

Bette Meuleners
AESC Nominations Chairperson, 2013-2014
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Pat O’Neill
703-508-3431
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*Knollwood Bake Sale
6200 Oregon Ave NW
Washington, DC 20015
March 19; 10:00 am*

We are delighted to have the opportunity to revisit Knollwood with baked goods, hors d'oeuvres, and special goodies for diabetics.

Knollwood is the home for retired military and their spouses. Our special treats are sold with all the revenue to return to Knollwood for the benefit of residents who need some financial assistance. We Engineers love to take care of our military families. We hope you will join us!

Please bring the goodies to Knollwood already priced:

Bar Cookies and Brownies - \$1.00

Cupcakes - \$1.00

Mini Loaves - \$ 3.00 each

Cheese, Sausage or Spinach Balls - 12 @ \$3.00

Mini Quiches - 4 @ \$2.50

Snack Mixes - \$1.50/bag

Appetizers & Other Cocktail-Hour Nibbles - 6 @ \$2.00

Cookies - 1 doz. @ \$2.00 - \$3.00 depending on cookie size

We hope many of you will come join us for a fun day. Please plan to stay for lunch in the dining area.

If you can't make it to Knollwood (6200 Oregon Ave. NW, Washington DC 20015) on the 19th of March but would like to donate baked goods, email Priscilla Noah at general@crosslink.net

Also, you may make a donation to Knollwood. Please make check payable to AESC and mail to:

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***Make note on check that is for Knollwood*

KNOLLWOOD BAKE SALE

CASTLE BOUTIQUE

Remember to visit the Castle Boutique at
<http://www.armyengineerspouses.com/>
There are many gifts available!



Thanks to Connie Semonite and Katy Chekourus for sharing this photo. The Engineer Cookie Cutter from the Castle Boutique made some wonderful treats for a holiday party!

Birthdays.....



March

Beth Mazzanti	March 4
Barbara Fleming	March 8
Diane Messinger Galloway	March 11
Lynn Munch	March 15
Roz Riley	March 16
Tammie Morris	March 17
Mollie O'Neill	March 20
Susan Hill	March 22
Jytte Hambric	March 27

April

Michelle DiCiro	April 1
Sally Ball	April 2
Jackie Beck	April 8
Carol Pawlowski	April 9
Jackie Danielson	April 12
Mary Scott	April 15
Lee Boutin	April 18
Susan Oliveri	April 20
Mary Lorber	April 23
Dolores Felch	April 29
Jennifer Riordan	April 30

***Please let me know if I have missed your Birthday!**



MEMBER CELEBRATIONS



MEDIA



Army Engineer Spouses Club



The Army Engineer Spouses' Club welcomes membership from spouses of all U.S. Army Engineers and civilian employees of USACE and, with approval of the Executive Board, other persons who are associated with the Corps of Engineers.

2013-2014 AESC MEMBERSHIP

This is an exciting year for AESC membership. We now have two options for submitting our 2013-2014 membership and dues.

<http://www.armyengineerspouses.com/online-membership-form.html>

- 1. An electronic membership form with paypal on the AESC website!**
- 2. Our traditional mail-in membership form.**

We look forward to receiving many electronic memberships. As always, our AESC post office mailbox will be checked frequently for mailed memberships.

**Jackie Caldwell
Membership Chair**



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AESC 2013-2014 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PRINT NAME as you would like to be listed in the Castle Directory (The Redbook)

Last _____ First _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip Code _____

Preferred contact phone: _____

E-mail _____

The Castle Gram is sent to you via email unless you request a mailed copy .

Your Birthday (month/day only) _____

Check one: New member Returning member Rejoining member

Spouse's Name _____

Check one: Is Spouse: Active Retired Deceased

Spouse's title/rank/job assignment or firm _____

By sending this application, you agree to have the above information listed in the Castle Directory.

Membership runs from July 1, 2013 until June 30, 2014. Membership information received by Oct 31st,

2013 will be included in the 2013-2014 Castle Directory. Thank you.

Annual dues + 1 copy of the Castle Directory \$25 _____

Additional Castle Directory: Each \$5 _____

Total: _____

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Join online at www.armyengineerspouses.com

The AESC mission is to keep our Army Engineer family connected. We value membership as a way of keeping Army Engineer friendships alive through member information in the Castle Directory. We welcome your active participation. Let a board member know if you would like to:

- write regular or occasional articles for the Castle Gram,
- volunteer your computer skills,
- host an AESC-sponsored activity or fund-raising event in your area,
- provide pictures of member weddings, births, retirement, or other events of interest to the Army Engineer family.

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