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1. Purpose. The Department of the Army has traditionally supported and participated in the awards program of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME). This regulation describes SAME awards of particular interest to DA personnel and prescribes procedures for administering nominations for those awards.

2. Applicability. This regulation is applicable to the Active Army and the Army Reserve Components.

3. George W. Goethals Medal. Established to perpetuate the memory of the distinguished military engineer builder of the Panama Canal, the medal is offered annually to an engineer in civil or military practice for the most eminent and notable contribution in the fields of engineering, particularly in design, construction and methods. Nominations for DA personnel will be forwarded to the HQDA (DAEN-EPM) WASH DC 20314, not later than 1 February each year. Nominations are considered by a standing committee of the SAME and the winner is notified by the Society. The medal is presented at the SAME annual meeting, held in the spring of each year.

4. Wheeler Medal. Named in memory of LTG Raymond A. Wheeler, a former Chief of Engineers and past President of the Society, the medal is offered annually to a member of the Army Corps of Engineers (military or civilian; Regular, Reserve or National Guard; active, inactive or retired) in recognition of the most outstanding contribution to military engineering through achievement in design, construction, administration, research, or development. Nominations should be forwarded to HQDA (DAEN-EPM) WASH DC 20314, not later than 1 February each year. Nominations are considered by a committee selected by the Chief of Engineers. The winner is notified by the Society and the medal presented at the SAME annual meeting held each spring.

5. Itschner Awards. See appendix A for criteria and nominating procedures.

6. Sturgis Medal. See appendix B for criteria and nominating procedures.

7. Ralph A. Tudor Medal. The Tudor Medal, established by The Society in memory of the eminent civil engineer and builder, Ralph A. Tudor, is offered annually as an award to a civilian member of The Society (under 36 years of age)

for the most outstanding contribution to engineering design, construction, research, development or planning. Nominations should be forwarded to HQDA (DAEN-EPM) WASH DC 20314, or to Society headquarters, not later than 1 February each year. Nominations are considered by a Society Committee. The medal is presented at the SAME Annual Meeting, held in the spring of each year.

8. Military Officer School Award. The award is a certificate and 1 year membership in the SAME, presented by the Society to the outstanding student of each Engineer Officer Advanced Course at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Administered by the Commandant of the US Army Engineer School.

9. ROTC Awards. *a. ROTC Award of Merit.* Offered annually to outstanding engineering students in the ROTC.

b. ROTC Rifle Marksmanship Competition

Trophy. Offered annually to the winning rifle team of competing universities and colleges which offer engineering degrees. Bronze medals are also awarded to certain team members.

c. Bliss Medal. Offered annually to the engineering dean, professor, or instructor at a college or university at which an ROTC unit is established who has made the most outstanding contribution to military engineering, education, or service in promoting recognition of the importance of technical leadership in the national defense establishment.

d. Nominating procedures for the Society's ROTC awards are contained in AR 145-1.

10. Information. Further information concerning the SAME awards program may be obtained from HQDA (DAEN-EPM) WASH DC 20314, or the Executive Director, Society of American Military Engineers, Suite 905, 740 15th Street NW, Washington, DC 20005.

APPENDIX A

CRITERIA AND NOMINATING PROCEDURES FOR THE ITSCHNER AWARDS

A-1. General. Named in honor of LTG Emerson C. Itchner, the awards are silver plaques offered annually to the Engineer company in each Army component (Active, Reserve and National Guard) selected as most outstanding in that component for the award year.

A-2. For the purposes of this competition, a "company" includes all numbered, lettered or headquarters Engineer companies manned by US personnel, separate or organic to a larger organization, established under a TOE or TDA.

A-3. Nominating procedures. *a.* Active Army. Each major command Engineer is requested to submit a nomination for the outstanding Engineer company in his command to the Assistant Commandant, US Army Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060, not later than 1 February each year. The nomination should cover service performed or completed during the preceding calendar year. A committee of senior engineer officers, chaired by the Assistant Commandant of the Engineer School, will select the winning company.

b. National Guard and Army Reserve. The Commander, US Army Forces Command, will act as executive agent in selecting the National Guard and Army Reserve units, informing the Executive Secretary, SAME, of the results. Nominations for the awards will be solicited by FORSCOM and forwarded to reach the Assistant Commandant, US Army Engineer School, ATTN: Office of the Secretary, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060, not later than 15 February each year.

A-4. Presentation. The Chief of Engineers will announce the results of the competitions upon notification by the committee chairman. The awards will be presented at the Annual Engineer Dinner held each spring at Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

A-5. Nominations. Submit by military letter, including the following information and/or other material considered appropriate by the recommending commanders. Government issue material will be utilized in preparation of submissions. Standard issue 3-ring binders are most appropriate. Elaborate commercial products are not required or desired.

a. Full identification of unit, to include mailing address and permanent station.

b. Name and current address of commander(s) during period of unit contribution.

c. Name, address and phone number of individual at originating headquarters who may be contacted concerning the nomination.

d. Authorized unit strength (officer, WO, enlisted).

e. Average unit strength during period of contribution (officer, WO, enlisted).

f. Evaluation data.

(1) Statement of unit mission (not required for TOE units).

(2) Mission related accomplishments, including but not limited to—

(*a.*) Combat support tasks.

(*b.*) Construction tasks.

(*c.*) Training (types of training conducted, ARTEP results, special programs such as adventure training, etc).

(3) Professional development programs, in areas such as NCO and officer leadership, MOS/specialty skill enhancement, and education.

(4) Recruiting. Unit enlistment rates (to include first term), unit of choice enlistments for nominated unit, etc.

(5) Morale and welfare.

(*a.*) Improvement of troop living conditions.

(*b.*) Human relations programs, including drug and alcohol control.

(*c.*) Reportable government motor vehicle accident statistics (include total miles driven during period of contribution).

(*d.*) Reportable personal injuries.

(*e.*) AWOL and court-martial rates.

(6) Contributions to the image of the Corps of Engineers.

(*a.*) Community relations.

(*b.*) Domestic action programs.

(*c.*) Other unique contributions.

g. Additional significant factors (pertinent photos, news items, commendations, etc, may be included).

h. Major commander's evaluation.

APPENDIX B

CRITERIA AND NOMINATING PROCEDURE FOR THE STURGIS MEDAL

B-1. Named in honor of LTG Samuel D. Sturgis, a former Chief of Engineers, the medal is offered annually by the SAME to an active Army enlisted member in recognition of outstanding contributions to military engineering, by demonstrated technical and leadership ability.

B-2. Eligibility. *a.* Enlisted personnel in TOE/TDA units and organizations performing an engineer mission. In general, the individual should have been classified in one of the following career management fields or military occupational specialties while performing the service for which recommended: 12 (Combat Engineering), 35 (Special Electrical Devices Repairman), 51 (General Engineering); 52 (Power Production), 62B (Engineer Equipment Repairman), and 81 (Topographic Engineering and Map Reproduction).

b. Nominations based on a joint contribution will be considered if the individuals nominated are equally responsible for the contribution.

c. Membership in the SAME is not required.

B-3. Nominations. Each major command engineer is requested to submit nominations to the Assistant Commandant, US Army Engineer School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia 22060, not later than 1 February each year, for outstanding service performed or completed during the preceding calendar year. As a minimum, nominations should include the following.

a. Grade, name and SSN.

b. Assignment at time of contribution (include full unit identification and mailing address).

c. Current assignment of nominee (include mailing address).

d. Name, address and phone number of individual in originating headquarters who may be contacted concerning the nomination.

e. MOS at time of contribution.

f. Period of contribution.

g. Awards, honors and special recognitions.

h. Brief summary of major assignments (past to present).

i. Narrative description of contribution for which nominated, with emphasis on contribution to military engineering (the term "military engineering" may be liberally interpreted to include troop or contract construction, maintenance, facilities engineering, combat engineering, engineer training, management/supervision of engineer activities, or other engineer support).

j. Other significant factors (pertinent photos, news items, commendations, etc, may be included).

B-4. A committee of senior engineer enlisted personnel, chaired by the Assistant Commandant of the US Army Engineer School, will select the winner. Results of the competition will be announced by the Chief of Engineers and the award forwarded to the appropriate command for presentation.



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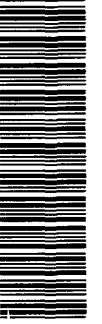
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