



# ASSOCIATION UPDATE

April 2010

## President's Message:

Although we don't have a publication schedule, it is time for another Update.

After the last Update, it was pointed out that the engineer family not only includes regular force, reserves and retired engineers, but also our civilian staff and members of Defence Construction. Which also reminds us, membership is open to anyone interested in supporting Cdn Engineers.

During the month of April, around the 29<sup>th</sup>, many engineers units celebrate the Branch's birthday. On that note – Happy Birthday! Everyone.

Remember that our web site [www.cmea-agmc.ca](http://www.cmea-agmc.ca) has Association information and news. I invite **you** to join the association; we're here for you.

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## Since our last:

- ❖ At the Feb 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the National Executive Committee, we approved:
  - A budget for 2010, which is available to association members.
  - The provision of new Military Engineers with uniform accruals, details to be determined.
  - The provision to family members of Engineer fallen with a memorial silver pin.
  - The provision to Chapters of monies for membership from the quiet years.
- ❖ The response to the proposed logos has been a pleasant surprise. Response was greater than we had expected. Out of 288 votes, we ended up with a tie. At this point we are moving ahead with efforts to get approval.
- ❖ In February we briefed BGen DesLauriers our new Col Cmdt who is also a member of the National Executive Committee.
- ❖ CWO Tony Chevalier (Ret'd) represented the Association at the signing ceremony for the incoming Col Comdt.
- ❖ The Association provided support at the signing ceremony.
- ❖ The Branch CWO made a presentation on the Association to those attending EX UBIQUE in Gagetown.
- ❖ Engineer flags have been provided to Engineer units / sub-units in Afghanistan.

## Chapter Update

- ❖ Winnipeg – the Chapter is making contact and inviting members of Fort Gary Horse engineers to join the Winnipeg Chapter.
- ❖ Ottawa – a survey has been sent out regarding local activities. Feedback has been positive.
- ❖ Chilliwack – will place a wreath @ the All Sappers Cenotaph in Vedder Crossing, as part of the Retired Sappers Reunion.
- ❖ Montreal – local engineers have expressed an interest in forming a Chapter.