

As we celebrate our 100th anniversary and reflect on all that EDiS stands for, we pay tribute to a few employees and their families who have served our country in the Armed Forces.

We previously honored many employees and families in several past issues of EDiS InSiDE. Since our family has grown, we salute these additional employees and family members.

For a look at those previously honored (and there are many) please go to [ediscompany.com](http://ediscompany.com) and click on "About EDiS"

## EMPLOYEES

### Chris McCone *Senior Project Manager*

Chris currently serves as a Major in the United States Army Reserves, Transportation Corps. Chris just returned to EDiS in December after twelve months of service in Kuwait and Afghanistan.



### Christian Losito *Document Expeditor*

Christian was an Infantry Squad Leader for the 1st Battalion, 8th Marines. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps for four years including three tours in Iraq. Christian came to work for EDiS in November 2006, following his honorable discharge that year.



### Theodore H. Dwyer, Jr. *President, EDiS Company*

A Lieutenant in the Navy, Ted served his country from 1968-1971 as the Brig Officer at Port Hueneme, California Naval Base.



### Bruce Braughton *Field Manager*

Bruce was a cook in the Navy from 1967 to 1971. Here Bruce stands next to one of the Apollo 7 Astronauts.



### Ron Skipski *Field Manager*

Ron served for two years in the Navy. He was a Fireman on the USS Harlan County LST and was honorably discharged in 1974.

# EXTENDED FAMILY



## Clement Cowen

Operations Manager **Brad Cowen's** father, Clement Cowen, and his five brothers all served in the military. Clement Cowen (pictured here) served as an Army Paratrooper, 1st Sergeant. He served in the Philippines and in the occupation of Japan. One of Brad's uncles, Richard Cowen, served as a Master Sergeant in the Army Air Force. He was captured by the Japanese at Corregidor, Philippines, was a POW for 42 months and a Bataan Death March survivor. He was finally freed following the dropping of the atomic bomb.

## John Donmoyer

John is the brother of **Tammy Reynolds** in our Accounts Payable department. John is in the U.S. Air Force. He has been a MP in the Air Force since 1998. He served in Kuwait in 1993 for 3 months and is currently on active duty at the U.S. Air Force National Guard Base in New Castle. He will be on active duty for 15 months.



## Rich Doherty

Rich is the younger brother of Chief Estimator and Operations Manager, **Jerry Doherty**. He was recalled from his reserve unit to full time active duty following 9/11/2001 at the rank of Major, US Marine Corps, 1st Division. Rich was with the 1st Marines during the initial invasion of Iraq and completed three tours in Iraq. He was wounded twice during battles in

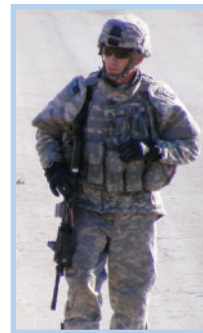
al Nasarhia but did not relinquish his command. Rich received two Purple Hearts and received a Bronze Star with distinguished merit for performance during battle. In March 2007, Rich Doherty was promoted to Lt. Colonel, USMC.



## John Hearn

Field Manager **George Cooper's** stepson is currently serving as a 1st Lieutenant in the Army. John Hearn will be deployed as part of a Special Operations Team to Afghanistan in June. This photo was taken last July at Fort Benning Georgia after John

completed Ranger training. Older brother, Darren Hearn, was with the Army 3ID during the initial movement into Baghdad in 2003.



## Raymond Charles "Chuck" Dolbow III

Field Manager, **Chris Dolbow's** nephew has been in the Army for ten years and currently is a Sergeant First Class. Chuck is currently serving his second tour in Iraq.



## Frederick G. Croad

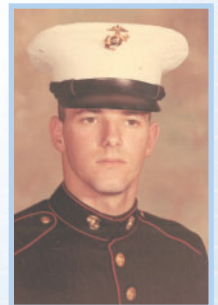
**Kim Tiger**, Assistant Project Manager in our Interior Construction division, has a long family history of military service. Kim's ancestor, Gideon Woodmansee, served in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. Both of Kim's grandfathers were World War II veterans. Maternal grandfather, Frederick G.

Croad (pictured) served in the Army and died as a result of the wounds he received during the Normandy Invasion. Kim's other grandfather, Anthony J. Maiale, a DuPont engineer, was entitled to a deferment but chose to enlist and served in the Army throughout the European Theatre participating in the liberation of Auschwitz. He retired with the rank of Lt. Colonel. Kim's father, Donald R. Dodd, served in the Air Force as a meteorologist and his brother, Dennis R. Dodd, was an Air Force pilot. Kim's two maternal uncles, Phillip E. Croad, and Gary L. Croad served in the Marines and the Navy respectively.



## Richard J. Skipski

Project Accountant, **Rhonda Burg's** oldest brother, Richard (also **Ron Skipski's** brother) enlisted in the Marines in 1970. He served in the Vietnam War and was honorably discharged in 1972.



## William Brockson

Sales and Marketing Manager, **Bryan Brockson's** father, was a Sergeant in the Army and served in Vietnam from 1966-1968.



## We Salute You

*In honor of the observance of Flag Day, the anniversary of D-Day, and the Fourth of July during the summer, we pay tribute to the employees and family members of EDiS, past and present, who have served and presently serve in the armed forces.*

### CURRENTLY SERVING OUR COUNTRY

#### **Chris Mc Cone**, Project Manager

Chris currently serves in the United States Army, transportation division. He is shown here during his Infantry days at Ft. Benning, Georgia. Chris enlisted in July of 1986.



### EDiS EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE RETIRED FROM THE SERVICE



#### **Ted Dwyer**

President, EDiS Company

A Lt. /Brig Officer in the Navy, Ted served his country from 1968-1971. Before being discharged, he served at the Southern California, Port Hueneme Base.



#### **Paul Melvin**

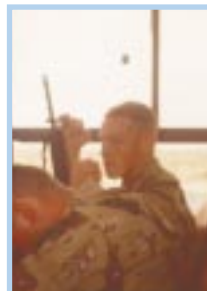
Superintendent, Retired

Paul was a member of the 8th Airforce, 94th bomber group as an aircraft electrician. During his three-year term, Paul was involved in the D-Day invasion. Equally significant is the fact that his sons Kenneth and Douglas served in Europe and Viet Nam respectively. Both returned safely.

#### **Andrew J. Erich**

Director of Sales,  
Southeastern PA

A.J was discharged as an SPC-4 in the Army infantry in ????. A tanker in the Persian Gulf War, his duties included loading the tanks during battle and disarming tank barriers by hand, while under fire.



#### **Eugene DiSabatino**

CEO, Retired

Shown here with the Enola Gay, Gene was stationed at Los Alamos in 1944 to work on the Manhattan Project. Ultimately, he was stationed on the Island of Tinian and attached to the 509th bombardment group as they prepared to drop the second atomic bomb on Japan.



#### **Ted Di Taddeo**

Superintendent, Retired

Teddy served our county during what many call "The Forgotten War" in Korea. Discharged as a Corporal from the Army, Teddy earned several service ribbons and medals including three campaign stars.

## OUR EXTENDED FAMILY



### Kyle and K.J. Riepen

Kyle and K.J. Riepen, brothers of Marketing Assistant **Nikki Donelson**, recently retired from the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy respectively. Kyle retired as an E-5 and K.J. as a gas turbine mechanic third class.



### Dominick Di Giamber

Dominick Di Giamber, Father-in law of Ernest DiSabatino & Sons President, **Rick DiSabatino**, served as an MP in the army before his discharge in \_\_\_\_.

### Theodore Dwyer Sr.

Thirty year old Theodore Dwyer, Sr., is seen here holding future EDiS Company President, **Theodore Dwyer, Jr.** Dwyer, Sr. was discharged in 1945.



### Col. Richard L. Walker

Col. Richard L. Walker, father of Project Secretary **Jane Reese**, was called to active duty in August 1941 from reserve status. Due to the classified nature of his work he never spoke of his assignments. From the limited information available, we know he flew the China Burma India theater during WWII, was the Professor of Air Science and Tactics at Ohio State (1967) and his last duty before retirement was at the Office of Joint Chiefs of Staff, Headquarters USAF in Washington, DC (1958).



### Sergeant John Ingram

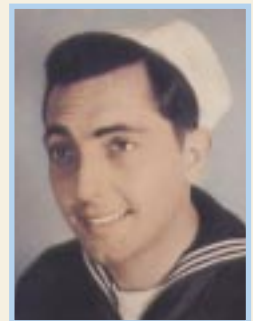
Sergeant John Ingram, son-in-law of Superintendent, **Joe Sartin**, has been involved in the service since 1981. John has been in the USMC reserves at Andrews AFB and was also active in the USMC as well as with the Army National Guard. Currently John is active in the Army stationed at Ft. Belvoir, VA with Operation Noble Eagle as a Fire Support Sergeant.

## A FAMILY AFFAIR

Dating back four generations, EDiS Director of Human Resources **Frances Williams'** family has selflessly served our country. Grandfather Raphael A. Pacelli was a Corporal in the U.S. Army during World War I, fought in the Argonee Forest in France, and received four WWI victory medals as well as the Purple Heart and Silver Star. Frannie's father, Paul J. Fidance, was a Seaman First Class in the U.S. Coast Guard during WWII. Active in the South Pacific, Paul was awarded several medals. Frannie's brother, National Guard Sergeant Paul J. Fidance Jr., and nephew, Navy Petty Officer Third Class Paul J. Fidance, III are shown here.



Raphael A. Pacelli



Paul J. Fidance

Paul, Jr. remains active and Paul, III retired following 3 1/2 years on the USS Boise Submarine with a classified tour of Kosovo.



Paul J. Fidance Jr., left, and Navy Petty Officer Third Class Paul J. Fidance, III, right.

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### Lou Casalena

Superintendent, Retired

Louie was discharged from the Marines in 1949 after four years of service. Having served in both the states and in Tisane, China, Lou was discharged with the rank of S/Sargent.



### Ernest A. DiSabatino

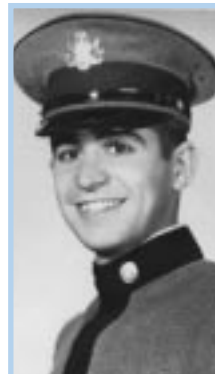
CEO, Retired

Ernie is seen here with fellow 1340th Engineering Co. buddies in France in 1944. Ernie served four years and retired in 1945 with the rank of Sergeant.

### Anthony Deluca

Carpenter Foreman,  
Retired

Tony's service in the Army, from 1951-1953, included stations in the states and in Germany. He was discharged with the rank of PFC.



### Richard P. DiSabatino, Sr.

CEO, Deceased

Dickie served in the Army during the Korean War. He worked with the Army Corp Engineering 2nd Division to construct a new runway in Okinawa, Japan. Dickie was discharged as a 1st Lt. in the Army Reserve.



### John Troiani

Carpenter Foreman, Retired

John served in the Army for two years. He was a Specialist, Third Class in Battery "C", 868th Field Artillery Battalion. His citations commonly contained comments including "Through hard work and without the benefit of formal training John has consistently maintained a 280mm gun in a complete state of readiness for action.

### Dominick DiSabatino

Founding Member, Deceased

Dominick, son of EDiS founder, Ernesto DiSabatino, enlisted in 1917. Seen here, Dominick proudly displays his uniform as a Sergeant in Officer Training in the 36th Company 6 Battalion. He was in route to France to act as a translator when the war ended.



*EDiS is grateful for the sacrifices these employees and family members have made in the name of freedom.*



**Richard Pedicone**, retired superintendent, seen here at the age of 21 served in the US Army. Richard was a tank operator for the Army's 3rd and 4th Armored Divisions. Serving from '54 to '56, Richard was stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas.

Richard Pedicone



Richard "Dick" Pierce

**Richard "Dick" Pierce**, retired Project Manager, served during WWII in the South Pacific as a fire control man 3/c aboard the Destroyer U.S.S. Goodrich DD/DDR 831. Dick remained a member of the Naval Reserve until 1954.

Charles N. Boyle, husband of retired accounting clerk **Peggy Boyle** was drafted in 1942 and served for three years in the Pacific Theatre as part of the 8th Infantry division. He fought in Ulithi, Peleliu, Philippines and the Japanese Occupation. He also served in Korea in 1950 and went on to join the Air force in 1953. Charlie earned the "Combat Infantry Badge" with the "Star 2nd Award".



Joseph Marshall



Alberto SantaMaria

Development Associate **Steve Marshall's** father and grandfather both served in the military. Father Joseph Marshall enlisted in 1943 at age 17 and was ultimately stationed in Guam. As a Seaman 1st Class, he participated in the first mission to deliberately fly into the eye of a hurricane to gather meteorological data. He says

it was a bumpy ride. Grandfather Alberto "Santy" SantaMaria was a fighter pilot with the Royal Air Force during World War I. After retiring, Santy was called back to active duty in 1940 and worked as a Major in intelligence for the U.S. Army during WW II.

## GRAY FAMILY SERVICE SPANS AMERICA'S HISTORY

Shown are the son (left) and brother (right) of Field Manager **John Gray**.

Son, Sgt. John Gray, Jr. currently serves. Brother, and retired Field Manager Scott Gray was a sharp shooter for the USMC. They represent a long line of family members who have served from the Revolutionary War to today. An early member of the Gray family, Joseph Benjamin, served as a Trumpeter in the First Continental Dragons and saw action at Valley Forge. The Gray family has had Union Civil War veterans and casualties. World War I and II and Viet Nam also saw Gray men and women who were either survivors, prisoners of war or casualties. A great American family.



Sgt. John Gray, Jr.



Scott Gray

## Meet Sabby, Our Cousin and Patriot

Clarence DiSabatino, Jr. was one of many DiSabatino family members to serve in the armed forces. He was the only one to serve in Anzio, Rome, Southern France and Germany. Sabby, as he was affectionately known, was inducted into the Army's 45th Infantry Division in 1943.

One of most famous stories occurred during a Christmas cease-fire.

Soldiers in Sabby's company shot a deer in the valley that separated the two sides. One German and one American soldier, together, gutted and split the deer in half. They went back to their respective camps and feasted on venison. After dinner, the American soldiers sang Silent Night to the Germans across the valley and the Germans replied by singing Silent Night back in their language. The next morning they were back shooting at each other. Silent Night was Sabby's favorite Christmas Carol!

More harrowing was the encounter when Sabby and his company became separated from their division while in the French countryside. When they came upon a small village, they saw a large force of German soldiers so they hid in a haystack in a barn. Just like in the movies, the Germans came into the barn looking for the Americans. They used their bayonets to stab into the hay. Sabby had gone up to the second story of the barn to hide in the haystack where the Germans never looked. The Germans left never finding any of the American soldiers. After a while the Americans began to crawl out of the hay. They regrouped inside of the barn and discovered that one soldier was missing. They began to search the barn and the haystacks. They found the missing soldier stabbed to death in the hay. The Germans never noticed!

Wounded four times, Sabby retired, disabled from his wounds, as a highly decorated Corporal. For those of us who knew Sabby, it was hard to reconcile that someone with such personality, generosity, and spontaneous humor could have endured the fear and hardships of the European Campaigns.

Sabby is remembered by us as having made a significant contribution to the culture that we enjoy at EDiS today. He created camaraderie and a family atmosphere. In addition, Sabby initiated our safety program and was responsible for EDiS winning the AGC's National Safety Award in 1960.



## STILL ACTIVE IN THE SERVICE

Project Manager **Chris Mc Cone** is actively serving as a reservist, expecting deployment to Europe, in support of the Middle East. Chris was activated on February 1st and serves with the Transportation Company as a computer specialist.

Safety coordinator **Darin Lorenzen** is seen here (left) with brother **Shannon Holland**. Darin is a Sergeant in the 153rd Military Police Company of the Army National Guard. Darin served for eight years, with two years in Bosnia. Shannon is a reservist with the 4th Battalion in Rock Island, Illinois.



## From the EDiS Kids to the Troops

Brian and Katie Reese, children of Secretary Jane Reese, organized a collection effort for the family and friends and EDiS employees serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. Recipients include the following brave men, for whom we are all grateful and for whom we all pray: Major Richard Doherty, USMC, Brother of Chief Estimator Jerry Doherty; Captain Tim O'Sullivan, Army Airborne, In-Law of Vice President Brian DiSabatino; and Sergeant Jacob Hershey, Navy, Son of client Bob Hershey.



Jacqueline DiSabatino, daughter of Brian DiSabatino and Ronnie Skipski, son of Contracts Department Manager Marianne Skipski and Field Manager Ron Skipski, display the works of their class and the students of Corpus Christi Elementary School. Students collected supplies and drew notes for the troops.

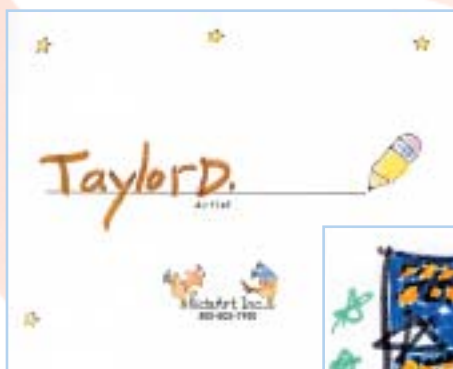


Image of Patriotic Card by Taylor DiSabatino, daughter of Andy DiSabatino.

