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## News UPDATE

### OWC meeting

The Officers Wives Club is having its annual Desserts by the Lake from 7-9 p.m. **Tuesday** at Quarters 6 on Boardman Lake Road. The meeting will be a welcome for Anne Premo and on OWC membership sign up. For information, call 772-9245.

### Memorial service

There is a memorial service for Capt. Kenneth Anderson, 551st Signal Battalion, at 2 p.m. **today** at the Barnes Avenue Friendship Chapel. For information, call 791-6208.

### Pet identification

The Fort Gordon Veterinary Clinic is having a microchip clinic from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. **Monday**.

For information call 787-3815 or 787-7375.

### Swap shop reopens

The Army Community Service Swap and Assist Shop has reopened. The shop is open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. **Thursdays**, in Building 39101, Brems Barracks. Call 791-3579 for information.

### Newcomer event

The Augusta Chamber of Commerce is having a newcomer event from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. **Sept. 4** at the Gordon Club. The meeting is open to all active duty, family members, and civilians. Call 821-1300 for information.

### Organization day

The 93rd Signal Brigade will hold its Organization Day from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. **Sept. 10** on the quarter mile track of Barton Field, 25th and Brainard. There will be a cookout and activities for all ages, including softball, a talent show, dunk booth, and a Humvee pull. Call 791-9336 or 791-9375 for information.

### Diabetes support group

The Healthy Living with Diabetes support group meeting is **Monday** in Darling Hall, Room 229. The topic is cardiac risks and diabetes. The speaker is Lt. Col. John Beilman, nurse practitioner, cardiology service, Eisenhower Army Medical Center. The group meets the last Monday of every month. For more information, call 787-1126 or 787-8469.

### Orientation course

The Fort Gordon company and detachment commanders and first sergeants orientation course is 9 a.m.-5 p.m. **Sept. 15** in Darling Hall, Room 229-B. Send an e-mail to [isond@gordon.army.mil](mailto:isond@gordon.army.mil) to register for the class, or call Sgt. 1st Class Darron Ison at 791-9536 for details.

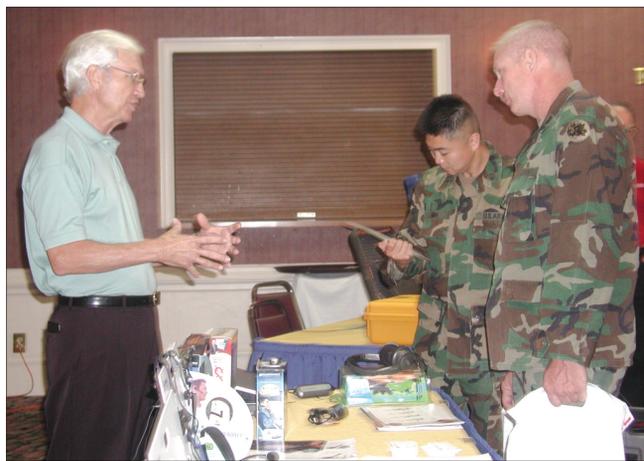


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## Gadgets, gadgets, gadgets...

Capt. Israel Hahn, 82nd Maintenance Co., (center) looks at literature on the Plantronics portable headset, which translates spoken words into written material, while Chief Warrant Officer David Keske (right) looks on. Charles Green, the Plantronics company sales representative, said the digital headsets are the newest technology in the field.

The headsets were just one of many exhibits displayed at the annual Technology Expo, which ran from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Tuesday** at the Gordon Club and was sponsored by the Directorate of Information Management. "I just wanted to see the latest technology," Hahn said. "We've got to keep up with it."

## Housing options

Single soldiers may be able to live off post as part of pilot program

Spc. Zoe Morris  
Signal staff

For the many soldiers living in the barracks here who don't like to mow grass, pick up trash or sweep stairs around the barracks, their dream to quit all that may soon be answered.

The Single Soldier Initiative Program is a Department of the Army pilot program that will allow soldiers in the rank of E-4 and above with 36 or more months in service to move out of the barracks and off post. "The DA is looking at this program to eliminate overcrowded barracks and raise the standard of living for soldiers," said Sgt. Maj. Tracy Dean, Directorate of Plans, Training and Mobilization.

Fort Gordon has not yet

been selected for the program, so soldiers should not get their hopes too high yet. Three installations are being looked at to implement the pilot program. But, Dean said, more than 50 percent of the 600 permanent party soldiers on post have volunteered to participate, which is a good sign that Fort Gordon may be selected.

If Fort Gordon is selected, any permanent party servicemembers who meet the requirements, regardless of branch, will be given single soldier basic allowance for housing (about \$800 for an E-4). The Army will also provide transportation for soldier's belongings from the barracks to their new home.

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## Iraqi Freedom commander speaks at Signal Corps conference here

Praises communications equipment, Signal soldiers' role in conflict

Sgt. Ryan Matson  
Military editor

The commander of the 1/15 Infantry, 3rd Infantry Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized) was at Fort Gordon Aug. 14, giving high praise to FBCB2, a battle command system he used during Operation Iraqi Freedom, and to the efforts of Signal soldiers during the conflict.

Lt. Col. John Charlton, the battalion's commander, said he believed Signal soldiers were among the "unsung heroes" of Operation Iraqi Freedom for their work in implementing the Force 21 Battle Command Brigade and Battalion system (FBCB2).

"In this case, a lot of real dedicated soldiers from the Signal command worked very hard to get this system into our hands prior to the start of combat," Charlton said. "They worked tirelessly to get it up and running, field it quickly, and

train units to use it before going into combat."

"So when I see the contractors and Signal soldiers that worked on the system, to me, they're heroes, because obviously there was a lot of hard work and preparation in setting up the system, and it really paid off."

Charlton was at Fort Gordon to talk about his experience as a commander using a tactical network and the lessons he learned.

"It's kind of my responsibility, my duty, to bring back what I learned about digital battle command and about my experience with a tactical network so the people here can take those lessons and use them as you need to," Charlton said. "It also gives me the opportunity to hear from you some things that I don't know about this equipment, so we can both benefit from this exchange of information."

Charlton described the FBCB2 system's function.

"It's a battle command system which allows you to make combat decisions quickly because it provides information on where your units are, where you are and where the enemy is, which we call situational awareness," Charlton said. "Based on the information it provides, it helps commanders make decisions and communicate; it has a lot of communications capabilities built into it, and it's mounted right inside the combat vehicles, so it's mounted right there with you during the fight. It's a great tool."

Charlton, who has a master's degree in computer



Graphic by Pfc. Bae Brown

Lt. Col. John Charlton, 3rd Infantry Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized) battalion commander, spoke during the Signal Corps Regimental Association luncheon Aug. 14 at the Gordon Club. During his speech, Charlton praised the work of Signal soldiers.

information systems, became familiar with FBCB2 under actual combat conditions. He had just returned with the rest of his battalion to Fort Benning after 13 months of training and

combat operations in Kuwait and Iraq. The battalion fought in eight major engagements during 21 days of intense

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## Work to rebuild Iraq will go forward despite attack

K.L. Vantran  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — The United States' work with the United Nations to help build Iraq will go forward, Ambassador L. Paul Bremer, the U.S. civil administrator in Iraq, said today.

"(This was) obviously a very unfortunate incident, but it does not derail our efforts," the ambassador said on CNN's "American Morning."

"As the president said in his statement at Crawford (Texas),

we're going to go forward. We have a very good plan to deal with problems of security and more importantly to get the economy going here. The political process is well under way."

As the investigation of the Tuesday truck bomb attack on the United Nations in Iraq continues, Bremer said it's "certainly possible" his friend Sergio Vieira de Mello, top U.N. official in Iraq and former U.N. high commissioner for human rights, could have been a target. De Mello is one of at least 17 who perished in the attack,

according to news reports. There has been no official word on the number of casualties.

Another possibility, Bremer told CNN, is that the terrorists thought they could scare the United Nations into leaving the country. "They have not succeeded in that, as the (U.N.) secretary general has pointed out," he added. "We're not going to rest until we find these terrorists. It's part of a global war against terrorism that was declared on us on Sept. 11 (2001). It's a war that we have to fight

where the terrorists are and unfortunately they're here in Iraq."

The ambassador told NBC there are at least two hypotheses on who is responsible for the attack on the United Nations. "One is that it was done by remnants of the Saddam regime," Bremer said. "This is the pre-eminent view of the members of the Governing Council here. It is also possible it was done by people from the outside."

The ambassador visited the site several hours after the explosion. He told CNN there were Iraqi civil defense rescue people

and Iraqi police working side by side with Americans to clear the rubble and to preserve evidence.

"It was an awful scene," he said. "It's a scene that reminds you how ugly the face of terrorism is wherever it appears."

Terrorism, added the ambassador, does not mean chaos. "It does mean an outrage against humanity and it is something we have to deal with and we will deal with it. But it is simply wrong to extrapolate these terrorist acts to a conclusion that this country is in chaos. It's simply not true."

# Helping soldiers beat debt

Spc. Zoe Morris  
Signal staff

Money. It's good. Until it's gone. Then if you keep spending more money than you have, it quickly becomes debt.

Debt can be like a wave – first gently lapping at your toes. But if you don't get out of the way, it can turn into a tidal wave of high interest payments and penalties.

But Army Community Services, and the Army in general, is taking steps to turn the tide and pull soldiers in debt to dry land.

ACS offers a mandatory weekly class Tuesday mornings for Advanced Individual Training students before they begin class. There's also a class 8:30 a.m. Wednesdays for anyone interested.

"I call it Financial Management 101," said Diane Sarber, chief of Financial, Relocation and Community Services.

"It goes over using credit cards, developing a budget, balancing a checkbook – basic things you may not have learned in high school or at home."

Sarber said the class is useful because an increasing number of soldiers are experiencing financial difficulties.

"We see more and more people come into the Army with considerable debt," said Sarber.

"In the 21st century it is easier for anyone to obtain credit. We are a plastic card society."

But with credit cards comes the increasing chance of living beyond your means and winding up with money trouble, and other troubles that come along with it.

"When people don't know how much credit card debt can affect them, they go out and get in trouble. I see people come in the Army in their early 20's with two or three credit cards maxed out."

While debt issues may initially seem like a small, personal problem at first, they can have future implications on a soldier's career.

"Excessive debt can nega-

*"The best things in life are free but you can give them to the birds and bees,*

*I want money, that's what I want..."*

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tively affect a soldier's career, to include getting a security clearance," said David Williams, installation security manager. Many of the military occupational specialties taught on Fort Gordon require a secret security clearance. No soldier can be given a clearance, get an upgraded clearance, or even keep a clearance if, during the clearance review, it's found they have outstanding debt and financial problems.

Many of the AIT holdovers are still here because outstanding debt has caused a problem in receiving a secret security clearance.

"(In order to get the clearance) they do not have to pay

all of the debt," said Sarber. "They just need to show that it's under control."

Sarber advises students against waiting until the day of graduation before finding out they have debt.

"If you think or know you have black marks on your credit report you have to be proactive," she said. "If you think you may have a problem, get it straightened out before you're a holdover."

For people who aren't sure if they have any debt, Sarber said the best thing to do is get a credit report.

"You can go online and order one," she said, "but the first and third Tuesdays of the

month Experian Credit Service will be at Darling Hall to provide credit reports right there."

The cost is \$10, which can be more expensive than on the Internet, but it can be more convenient. The service is offered from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sarber said if a person has a small debt, \$1,000 or so, the first thing they need to do is call the creditors. Work with them to set up a payment plan. If it's a success, follow up by sending them a letter outlining the plan.

For larger debts, call the creditors and see what they want to work out. If the payment plan is unreasonable or unaffordable, said Sarber, the soldier needs to go see ACS. Sometimes it's necessary to work with a debt repayment service, as long as it's a non-profit organization. Creditors want their money, so they will work with the service to get it, and will feel more comfortable knowing another business is involved.

The Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Augusta, a non-profit service, visits Darling Hall every Thursday to help servicemembers and their families.

The worst thing to do is avoid or ignore creditors. Creditors, especially if you're in the military, will find you.

On the ACS website, [www.gordon.army.mil/acs](http://www.gordon.army.mil/acs), the finance link offers advice for servicemembers and families. There are also links to other websites that give advice and information. One, [www.Ihatefinancialplanning.com](http://www.Ihatefinancialplanning.com), offers a humorous, low stress site that is helpful.

It may be tempting to get caught in a life that leads to a whirlpool of debt, but the services on post are ready to throw in a life preserver. Because drowning in debt doesn't help a soldier, a family, a career or a loved one.

For more information about the finance classes held on post or other money issues, call ACS at 791-3579.



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## Slow down

Darling Hall employee parking moves; new speed limit on Chamberlain

Steve Brady  
Signal editor

A recent change in parking policy forced a change in the speed limit for Chamberlain Avenue in front of Darling Hall.

Workers at Darling Hall are now required to park in the lot across Chamberlain Avenue, increasing the amount of pedestrian traffic crossing Chamberlain.

The decreased speed limit



means drivers will have to be patient when driving through the area.

"The limit was decreased to 25 (mph) Aug. 11, but nights and weekends the limit goes back to 35," said Maj. Kendrick McCormick, post provost marshal. "If you're caught speeding there the ticket will depend on how fast you're going." Typical fines range from \$35 to \$50, he said.

Several factors influenced the change in policy and speed limit.

"The new Darling Hall parking policy is entirely driven by a desire to improve and enhance customer service," said Terry Smith, garrison deputy commander.

Customers using Darling Hall facilities often had difficulty finding parking at the building, he said, and many visitors didn't realize there was a lot across the street.

"Sometimes, in frustration, they would park in an illegal or unsafe manner. The problem was also an issue that surfaced during the last Army Family Action Plan conference (see related story, page 4A) that was held here at Fort Gordon. We are very pleased to have solved this problem and to have improved our service to our customers."

## Deployment stipends to continue in new fiscal year

Army News Service

WASHINGTON – Soldiers deployed to high threat areas will continue to receive Imminent Danger Pay, and Family Separation Pay when the new fiscal year starts Oct. 1, said Department of Defense officials Friday.

In April, Congress authorized an increase in both Family Separation Allowance, from \$100 to \$250, and Imminent Danger Pay, from \$150 to \$225.

These increases were part of the FY 03 DoD Supplemental Funding. This funding was temporary and will expire Sept. 30 at the end of this fiscal year.

If Congress doesn't vote to renew the increases in Family Separation and Imminent Danger Pay, the DoD will use "other authority available to the department to make up for any shortfalls," a DoD press release stated.

(A Department of Defense press release contributed to this story.)

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# Army Family Action Plan Fort Gordon issue update

Special to the Signal

The Fort Gordon Army Family Action Plan annual conference was held in February.

The AFAP provides a way for soldiers and family members to let Army leadership know what works, what doesn't in order to improve quality of life.

The AFAP process begins at the installation level. Annual forums are conducted whereby all members of the Army family gather to identify issues, provide recommendations for action and resolution.

More than 100 representatives from military units, government housing areas, family readiness groups, National Guard and Reserve spent two days in February assessing the issues gathered over the preceding four months.

In 19 years of operation, 519 issues have been adopted by the Headquarters Department of the Army AFAP.

These quality of life issues have resulted in 77 changes to legislation, 126 changes to Army policy, and 139 improvements to programs and services. About 52 percent of AFAP issues benefit all of the Department of Defense.

Following is the status of 14 of the 45 Fort Gordon issues. The remaining issues will be addressed in future editions of the Signal.

**Issue 0302:** Customer Service training needed for employees of The Gordon Club.

**Status:** completed (resolved). Customer Service is stressed during the initial employee interview and again after hiring. Continuous on-the-job training is provided through customer feedback and on-the-spot corrections.

**Issue 0305:** Traffic signal needed at entrance to Maglin Terrace.

**Status:** active (open). A traffic study was conducted several years ago. A complete realignment of the intersection would need to take place before a traffic light could be installed. The cost of the requested changes is approximately \$250,000.

**Issue 0306:** More mandatory training is needed to prevent soldier debt.

**Status:** completed (resolved). Soldiers receive mandatory financial readiness training beginning in basic training. Additional training is conducted at their first permanent duty station.

**Issue 0309:** Post activities are not family oriented.

**Status:** active (open). A Family Activity Survey is currently being conducted by the 15th Signal Brigade. Contact Capt. Russ Hernandez at 791-8313 for information regarding the survey.

**Issue 0310:** Emergency phone number is needed while household goods are in transit.

**Status:** completed (resolved). An emergency phone number, (800)582-5552, is listed on soldier's orders.

**Issue 0312:** Ball fields all require general clean up.

**Status:** completed (resolved). Ball fields are cleaned more frequently with the start of the sports season.

**Issue 0313:** Additional orientations during the week at Auto Craft Shop.

**Status:** completed (resolved). A new orientation class was added to the training schedule in April. The class is offered Wednesdays from 6-6:30 p.m.

**Issue 0315:** Ensure all Army and Air Force Exchange Service employees are familiar with Right Price program guidelines.

**Status:** completed (resolved). If an employee seems unfamiliar with the program, customers are encouraged to ask for a manager so that the problem may be dealt with and the employee educated on

the spot.

**Issue 0318:** Standardize housing self-help class Army-wide.

**Status:** unattainable. This issue was determined to have merit and Army-wide impact. As such, it was forwarded to the Training and Doctrine Command for inclusion in their annual conference. The issue was returned to Fort Gordon Aug. 8, declaring the issue unattainable as housing units and replacement parts vary greatly from installation to installation.

**Issue 0321:** Soldiers should be working in their MOS.

**Status:** completed (resolved). All soldiers work outside of their military occupational specialty at some point in their career. Diversity in assignments doesn't hurt a career. If evaluations are favorable, working outside of an MOS can enhance a soldier's career. Commanders are reminded to keep visibility on borrowed military manpower and ensure they stay within Army guidelines. Soldiers feeling mis-utilized are encouraged to speak with their chain of command. The Inspector General may become involved if the chain has been involved first.

**Issues 0331/0332/0333:** Uniform disparity for employees of Stinson Guest House; lobby to remain open; change the check-in and check-out rules.

**Status:** completed (resolved). Stinson Guest House became Stinson Hall a few years ago. As a part of installation billeting, the rules now being followed differ from those of a traditional guesthouse. The lobby on the second floor of Stinson Hall remains open when the lobby on the first floor is closed. Check-in and out procedures are the same as all lodging on the installation. New uniforms have been ordered for the employees to match the rest of lodging.

**Issue 0334:** Do something about the parking problem at Darling Hall.

**Status:** active (open). As of Aug. 1, employees working in Darling Hall have been requested to park across the street from the building leaving the parking spaces adjacent to the building open. The intent of the request is to provide better customer service to the community.

Additional information is available upon request. The AFAP program manager is Lynn Harshman, 791-3579. Issues for the next Fort Gordon AFAP Conference may be submitted at [www.gordon.army.mil/acs](http://www.gordon.army.mil/acs).



Graphic by Spc. Zoe Morris

## 513th soldiers recognized

Spc. Leslie Pearson  
513th Military Intelligence Brigade

Twenty-two soldiers with the 513th Military Intelligence Brigade, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, were awarded the Army Commendation Medal in a recognition ceremony Aug. 15 at Nelson Hall. The medals were presented to the soldiers for meritorious service while serving in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

According to HHC company commander Cpt. James Wille, HHC soldiers were among the first of six other battalions in the brigade to deploy. While in the desert HHC ran nine ranges, four weapons systems and established the physical framework for the first ever Intelligence Exploitation Base.

HHC ran the reception, staging, onward movement and integration of more than 2,200 people into the theatre, as well as setting up four command posts in two different countries.

HHC oversaw division core Army and theatre level commands on a daily basis and orchestrated the hand-off of all the Iraq missions of three different battalions to 5th Corps.

"Our mission was to go to war successfully and come back home and that's what we

did," said Wille.

To those receiving awards, Col. Jon Jones, commander of the 513th MI Bde., offered words of gratitude.

"Your hard work, attention to detail and dedication to duty

contributed greatly to the unit's success," he said. "Your extraordinary efforts and accomplishments reflect the distinct credit upon you, the 513th Military Intelligence Brigade and the United States Army."



Photo by Spc. Leslie Pearson

Sgt. 1st Class Robert Venizelos (left), 513th Military Intelligence Brigade, HHC, receives the Army Commendation Medal for his support in Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. The award is presented by Lt. Col. John MacDonald, acting brigade deputy commander.

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# Viewpoint

Information, Opinions, and Commentary

## Enjoy liberty and justice; but remember the soldiers

Michael Dukés  
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Regardless of personal opinions for or against military action in Afghanistan and Iraq thousands of American patriots are carrying out orders to liberate and protect people who are defenseless against oppressive dictators.

Soldiers are putting their lives on the line to help people they don't know. Since the War on Terror began in the fall of 2001, Walter Reed Army Medical Center has had its hands full tending to those who have been wounded or have become sick in the line of duty.

Dozens of Purple Heart medals have been presented in private bedside ceremonies at the medical center. The former Army Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. Eric K.

Shinseki put it best when he said to family members of recipients, "This is a medal no soldier seeks or wishes for. But it's something they paid for with their own sweat and blood."

I've been present for many of these ceremonies and was amazed how, despite their war-torn condition, many of these soldiers stood at attention as they were pinned.

Some of the soldiers who went to Walter Reed have lost legs, arms and suffered injuries that will be with them the rest of their lives. I was amazed at the high spirits and positive attitude many of these soldiers had. Their determination and perseverance makes me proud to be working at our nation's largest and most prestigious military medical center.

We don't see their faces in

the news anymore, but we still get new patients weekly. The media frenzy is gone, but the soldiers are not forgotten. You won't often see in the news, but some pretty big celebrities have been stopping by to visit these patients and let them know they appreciate their contributions and sacrifices.

A few months ago, singer Sheryl Crow stopped by to perform bedside songs. I remember a young female soldier in a wheelchair had tears rolling down her cheeks as Crow performed "Strong Enough."

When actor Ben Vereen visited, he spent about 15 minutes at each soldier's bedside, with their hand in his, looking them straight in the eyes saying that getting better was up to them. It didn't matter how bad the doctors thought the outlook

was, he said, "It's got to come from within your heart. You have to want it and believe you're going to get better." I think just about every soldier he visited had watery eyes when he left — he truly touched them.

When country singer Randy Travis visited, he asked each soldier where they were from, what they were doing when they were wounded, and if they planned on staying in the Army. The soldiers said they would stay in if they were able to. A couple said they couldn't wait to get back to Iraq to be with their buddies again.

There have been quite a few professional athletes and entertainers who cared enough to stop by and say "hello" and talk to the soldiers. There were no video crews or reporters present during their visits — these

were private visits for the wounded soldiers. While these celebrities might not endorse war, they do support those who dare to stand up and fight for the freedoms all Americans enjoy.

Walter Reed has treated war wounded since World War I. Just about every war presented similar injuries to our troops — bullets, bombs and land mines have tried to thwart the morale and patriotism of these young men and women. The faces and the names have changed, but the spirit is the same — one of patriotism and perseverance.

One thing that has helped them through the years is support from here at home. It didn't matter that they were thousands of miles away, the fact that someone at home cared was enough to get them through what they

thought were their darkest hours. But when things got worse, and they became casualties of war, this support was more important than ever.

So I encourage everyone, whether you believe war is right or not, to support our troops, just like Cheryl Crow, Ben Vereen, Michael Jordan, Randy Travis and countless others are doing.

Though you might not see the faces of the young soldiers being treated at Walter Reed, it's important to remember they are more than just casualty numbers reported in the news — they are our fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, sons, daughters, friends, neighbors and fellow Americans.

(Dukés is a staff writer with the Walter Reed Army Medical Center's *Stripe* newspaper.)

## Soldier describes overcoming destructive cycle of addiction

Army News Service

WASHINGTON — I am an addict. A better way to term it is: I am a recovering addict. I am sharing this revelation in the belief that I can bring hope to others who are fighting addictions. I want them to know that it can be done. You can change your life.

My 12-year battle with addiction influences my view of the world and my relationship with my wife and family. In the past, it affected my church standing, my finances and my work performance, as well as other aspects of my life. At one point, my addiction had control of my life, and I was miserable.

Addiction, whether it's gambling, smoking, alcoholism, obsessive overeating, or any number of ailments, is destructive and invades the life of the addict. An addiction is defined as being so dependent upon something that separation from it causes trauma. You become devoted to it. It takes over your life. You feel you need it just to remain calm and be who you are. Whatever form the addiction takes, it takes away from

the truly important things in life. It makes you lose sight of hope and see only misery.

It was that misery that made me want to change. I was able to see the destruction that was coming my way if I didn't change my life. It was then that I admitted that I had a problem. That first step was the one that started me on the path to recovery. It wasn't until I hit the bottom that I could admit my addiction.

My wife was upset and nearly left me. My boss was upset, and I was almost kicked out of the Army. I was upset, and more than once considered suicide.

In essence, I had hurt many people around me because of my selfish desires. However, even though they were hurt, I found that when I tried to change, the people who cared the most about me wanted to help me become a better person. They loved me enough to help me fight my desires. Having that strong support system plays a vital role in recovering and overcoming addiction.

I was rock climbing once at a

place called Lisa Falls. The rock there is slick granite and not easy to climb. I was leading the climb, and a trusted friend was on belay. I was about 25 to 30 feet in the air reaching for the next anchor to lock into, when my foot slipped. I began falling. My friend did his job and began pulling in the slack on the rope. I passed the anchor below me and was about six feet from the ground when my friend stopped my fall.

In the same way that my friend stopped my descent when I slipped while climbing, friends and family can help keep an addict from falling. By trusting in my family and friends, and being accountable to them, I am able to resist my addiction. The constant reminder that my wife, boss or friend is going to ask how I'm doing today is a help in overcoming my addiction.

The biggest support I have is God. Turning my problems over to a higher power allows me to be truly introspective. It helps me to know that I am not doing it alone. It is easier for me to turn my problems over to Him. I believe He helps me

through the recovery process when I ask Him.

Of course there are always people who are more than willing to cause you to go the opposite direction. It is important while you are working through an addiction to avoid people and circumstances that could lead you into a relapse.

Another beneficial support I have is therapy. By sharing my problems, worries, and fears with the therapist, I am better able to deal with them. My ability to function in life without turning to my addiction increases as we discuss life and better ways to cope with it.

Other types of professional help are available as well. There are 12-step programs for almost any addiction, as well as support groups and medications that can help. The more I desire to change, the more options I am willing to try to overcome the addiction. Where I used to do anything I could to get my "fix," I am now doing everything I can to find my way out of it.

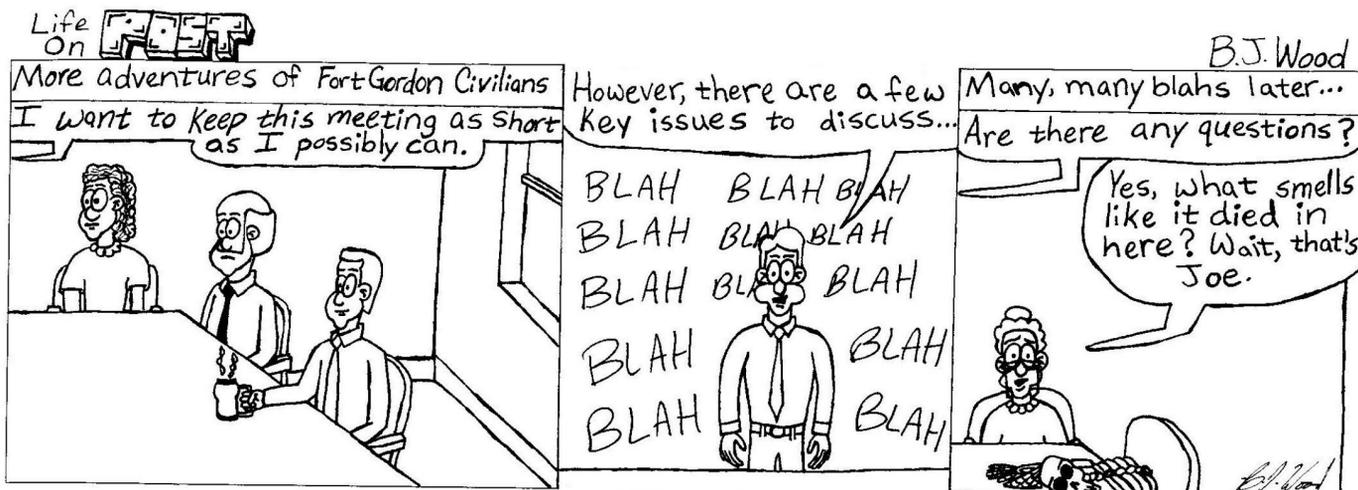
Although I am in recovery, I still

attend therapy sessions. I still rely upon God, family and friends to help me through each day without a relapse. The weak days are fewer and farther between, but they are still there, and I still need to keep my guard up. I am on the road to healing, though.

The results of working through my addiction are wonderful. I see my wife and family in a different light; we are closer than we have ever been. I am using my time in better pursuits, such as exercise, studying and taking my son swimming. I feel in control, rather than out of control. I am truly happy.

I wish I could share with you what I feel in my heart now that I have my priorities in order again. I hope this will help someone to see that there is a way out of addiction. It is not hopeless. You can find help. It is there; just reach out and take it.

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**212 ways to be a Soldier** *A day in the life of a...*

# 02N pianist/keyboardist

**Note:** This is the 40th MOS featured in the series covering all 212 Army careers.

**Sgt. Ryan Matson**  
Staff writer

Spc. Jared Bree, 434th Signal Corps Band, and his best friend Spc. Jared Grogan, also a member of the Signal Corps Band, had a plan.

They were both in college studying music education, and wanted to be musicians. After graduation Grogan came to Bree with the idea of joining the Army, which may seem like a rather wild idea for a musician.

But the plan has worked to perfection for both Bree and his best friend. Bree said Grogan convinced him to take the Army audition with him, and the pair have been playing music together almost ever since.

"We didn't think our major alone would let us do what we wanted to as musicians," Bree explained.

Though the two friends attended different basic training locations, both scored high enough in their field auditions to earn their choice of stations. Both chose to come here and play in the Signal Corps Band, Grogan as a sax player and Bree as a 02N, or piano/keyboard player.

Bree has just completed his first year of service in the Army, and said it's been a positive experience so far.

"It's good to be able to do something for my country and something I love all at the same time," Bree said.

For Bree, the piano has been a lifelong labor of love. It is the only instrument he has ever played, starting at the age of eight. He started taking private lessons, and played the instrument in high school and college.

The keyboard is another instrument Army piano players are called on to play. Though Bree said he enjoys playing a real piano more than a keyboard, he said he also enjoys playing keyboards because of the advancement in the instrument over the years.

"The keyboards now have a more real feel to them, they are produced to feel the same and sound the same," he said.

Bree sights "the piano man," Billy Joel as one of his main musical influences.

"I like him because he's a good piano player, first of all," Bree said. "His style is very solistic and fun to listen to. I listen to him sometimes and think to myself, I can play that too, if I really want to."

So how does one go about playing for the Army band?

The first step is to arrange an audition with an area Army band unit where the auditioning musician must play scales, a prepared piece and must also sight-read and play music. If the prospective Army musician passes this audition, he/she has completed only the first step of the process and earned the right to



Photos by Sgt. Ryan Matson

**Spc. Jared Bree, a piano/keyboard player in the 434th Signal Corps Band, joined the Army with his best friend, who's also in the band.**

attend advanced individual training to study music for the Army following the completion of basic training.

The AIT for members of the band is a tri-service school (Army, Navy and Marines attend the school), spans six months and is held at the Little Creek Amphibious Base in Norfolk, Va. Roughly a quarter of the class will be dismissed from the course due to failure to meet the course standards. If someone is dismissed, they have the option of re-classing into a second MOS.

There the musicians must pass an additional three auditions using Army issued instruments.

In AIT, students also learn musical theory, ear training and a bit of arranging and writing music, as well as other topics.

Once a musician gets through AIT, if they play for the Signal Corps Band here, they are afforded the opportunity to play many different styles of music. There are multiple bands and groups within the Signal Corps Band, such as the ceremonial band, the marching band, the concert band, the jazz ensemble, the jazz combo, the rock band, the Dixie band, the brass quintet, the woodwind quintet and subgroups of all of these bands. Since there is no MOS for vocalist, an interested member of the band can also sing if they desire.

Learning numerous styles of music is part of AIT for a piano player, Bree said. He said this makes the AIT course for a piano player slightly different than the AIT course for other instruments in the Army band.

"We have to learn all the different styles," Bree said. "Some instruments may have to learn classical and jazz, but we have to know a lot of different styles. We have to be able to play solo, and also in accompaniment with a group, whether it be a vocalist or an instrumental group, and we're graded on that."

One of the techniques that Bree said the Army music school teaches piano players to improve their accompaniment skills is

called sequencing. In this technique, a computer plays back something the piano player has played before, and the piano player accompanies the previously recorded music. Bree said this training technique is unique to the piano in the music AIT course. He said he enjoys being able to play many different parts of a song on one instrument.

"I like playing the piano because you're a one-man show," Bree said. "When you're playing a clarinet, you can only get one line going, you can play one note at a time. But on a piano, you can play as many notes as you have fingers. You can play your own accompaniment, your own melody, it's all you. But at the same time, you can fit into an ensemble, and play along and fit into a group. It works both ways."

Like all other MOSs in the Army, Bree said he must balance his job activities with his soldierly duties, which he said at times can prove somewhat challenging.

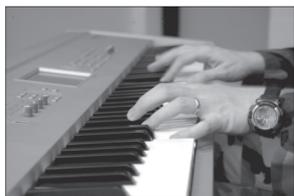
"Trying to keep up with all the soldier issues takes away from practice time we have available during the duty day," he said.

He said at the very least he practices one to three hours daily, not including practices with the entire band. During the summer, Bree said the band is particularly busy, practicing for changes of command and other ceremonies and obligations.

"It's kind of erratic right now, but typically we rehearse with the jazz ensemble in the mornings two or three times a week, and the concert band, twice a week," Bree said. "In the afternoons we break into smaller groups like the jazz combo or Dixieland band."

Bree said he plans to stay in the Army. He still has a long working future ahead of him, but has some plans and ideas for how he'd like to spend it.

"Once I leave the Army, I think I'm pretty much done with music as a profession," Bree said. "I'd like to finish up my graduate studies in English and go on to be a professor at a college. The Army offers incentives to do that, which is another reason I joined."



Bree practices the piano daily.

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The National Dance Exercise Instructors Training Association is having a group exercise workshop at 8 a.m. **Sept. 13**, and a nutrition for fitness workshop at 8 a.m. **Sept. 14**.

Classes are held in gym #6, Building 21713. For information, call Mildred Brown at 791-2947 or go to [www.ndeita.com](http://www.ndeita.com).

**Car wash**

The Fort Gordon chapter of Omega Psi Phi is having a car wash fundraiser from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. **Saturday** in the PXtra parking lot across from Burger King. Donations will raise scholarship funds for local high school seniors. For information call 791-1032.

**Opera season**

The Augusta Opera presents the timeless classic *Carousel* **Sept. 11-14** at the Imperial Theatre. Call Mary Ann Woodworth at 826-4710 for information.

**Trampoline recall**

Hestrom Corporation is recalling thousands of 12-, 13-, and 14-foot trampolines, model numbers 10136, 101366, 101442, 10146, 102369, 102949, 10321, 103217, 10381. They also have 4 digit date codes ranging from 0403 through 2103 with the last two digits always being 03. For information, call Hedstrom at (800)841-4351 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**Motorcycle rider education**

The fee for the Georgia motorcycle riders course for beginners has increased to \$250. The experienced rider course is free. Riders must complete one of the courses to ride on post. For information call the safety office at 791-7233.

**Dinner theatre**

The Fort Gordon Dinner Theatre presents Neil Simon's all-time classic comedy *The Odd Couple*.

Show times are **Sept. 12, 13, 19, 20, 25, 26 and 27**. Dinner begins at 7 p.m. and the show at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$12-\$30. For information, call 793-8552.

**ACS workshops**

Army Community Services offers a Lunch and Learn Series of workshops from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Fridays at the Community Life Building 33512. Upcoming topics include:

**Today** – Appropriate Discipline for Toddlers and Adolescents

**Sept. 5:** Personal Life Skills Workshop-Topic: Time Management

**Sept. 12:** Family Fun Time Activities Workshop-Topic: Why Playing Games is Important

**Sept. 19:** Couples Empow-

erment Workshop-Topic: Managing Stress Through Interpersonal Communication

**Sept. 26:** Parenting Skills Workshop-Topic: Parents Getting a Head Start Against Drugs

For information call 791-0794/7557.

**Air Force Ball**

The 31st Intelligence Squadron (U.S. Air Force) will hold the 2003 Air Force Ball **Sept. 26** at the Sacred Heart Cultural Center in Augusta. The theme is the *Centennial of Flight*. Call 791-9662 or 791-3578 for more information or to purchase tickets.

**Farmers market**

Main Street Augusta holds a Farmers Market from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. **Saturdays** at the Augusta Common on 8th and Broad streets. The markets is held Saturdays through Oct. 25. For information, call Mary Killen at 722-8000.

**Graduate course registration**

The Signal Regiment Graduate Education Program is offering a resident Information Technology Graduate Seminar in partnership with the University of Maryland University College. The class meets Saturdays for 10 weeks. The next ITGS is **Sept. 13-Nov. 15**. This program is open to all Fort Gordon personnel and family members, and is supported by tuition assistance for military members. Registration deadline is **Sept. 11**. To register, contact Capt. Pier Durst at 791-8182 or [pier.durst@us.army.mil](mailto:pier.durst@us.army.mil), or go to [www.gordon.army.mil/edu](http://www.gordon.army.mil/edu).

**ACS classes**

Army Community Services offers a workshop titled *Helping You and Your Children Cope with Divorce*, the second **Tuesday** of every month at Community Life Center, Building 33512, from 1-5 p.m.

ACS also offers classes for the blended family the third **Tuesday** of each month from 2-4 p.m. at Community Life Center, Building 33512.

For information call 791-0794/7557.

**Church celebration**

St. Michael's Catholic parish is celebrating the feast of St. Michael at 5 p.m. **Sept. 27** at Engineer Field. Call 791-2945 for information.

**Museum events**

The next Augusta Museum of History Brown Bag History series is at noon **Sept. 3**. The speaker is Rosa Lee Owens speaking on *Grovetown Heritage*. Cost is \$2, reservations required.

The museum is also having an exhibit titled *The National Pastime in Black and White: The Negro Baseball Leagues, 1867-1955* from **Sept. 6 - Oct. 19**.

Call 722-8454 for information.

**Class registration**

Central Michigan University's College of Extended Learning at Fort Gordon is having registration for Term VII Aug. 25-Sept. 12. For information, call 798-5739 or visit the CMU office in the Fort Gordon Education Center, Bldg. 21606, Barnes Avenue.

**Art show**

The Morris Museum of Art is featuring *A Century of Progress: Twentieth Century Painting in Tennessee* from **Saturday through Nov. 9**. Opening events include a lecture by Celia Walker, chief curator of the Cheekwood Museum of Art, at 6 p.m. **Sept. 4**.

For more information, call 724-7501 or go to [www.themorris.org](http://www.themorris.org).

**Women's Equality Day activities**

Equal Employment Opportunity is having a Women's Equality Day breakfast from 7:30-9 a.m. **Tuesday** at the Gordon Club. Guest speaker is Marcia Glenn, the mayor of Lithonia, Ga. Call EEO at 791-4551 by Aug. 22 to purchase tickets.

The Gordon Club is having a luncheon 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. **Tuesday**. For information, call 791-6780.

The Women's Equality Day command program is 1:30 p.m. **Thursday** at Alexander Hall. The guest speaker is Georgia Representative Sue Burmeister. For information, call 791-2014.

The fun walk/run Tuesday sponsored by the 116th Military Intelligence Group has been cancelled.

**Fraternity meeting**

The next Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity meeting is 7 p.m. **Sept. 12** at 1002 Druid Park Ave. All active and inactive brothers, and all new brothers in the area are invited. For more information call 792-0456.

**Obedience lessons**

The Augusta Humane Society offers a dog obedience and puppy socialization workshop beginning 6:30-7:30 p.m. **Wednesday** at the Julian Smith Casino on Broad and Milledge streets.

Cost is \$50 for 12 weeks, \$40 for eight weeks. Bring proof of vaccinations to first meeting, but do not bring the dog. Call 736-0186 for information.

**Pay office closed**

The Defense Military Pay Office is closed **Friday** and **Sept. 1** for Labor Day, and **Sept. 5** for organization day. For emergencies, page 241-1486.

**School workshop**

The Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program and School Liaison Services is having a *Prepar-*

*ing for School Success* workshop for parents from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. **Sept. 23**. The workshop is at Freedom Park Elementary and lunch will be provided. Reservations are required, call 791-0794 or 791-7270.

**Border bash**

The 10th Annual University of Georgia/University of South Carolina Border Bash is 7 p.m. **Sept. 12** at the Augusta Common on Reynolds Street between 8th and 9th streets. The event features entertainment by the Swingin' Medallions, and the UGA and USC cheerleaders and their mascots.

Proceeds benefit the Medical College of Georgia Children's Medical Center. Admission is \$5. Gates open at 5 p.m. For more information or to volunteer, call 721-3957.

**Newcomer orientation**

The newcomer orientation is held **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** at 1 p.m. in Room 367, Darling Hall.

**Help wanted**

The Greater Augusta Arts Council is looking for enthusiastic, energetic volunteers to help at this year's Arts in the Heart of Augusta festival. The festival is **Sept. 19 - 21** at the Augusta Common & Riverwalk in Augusta.

More than 300 volunteers are needed for the festival. Changes this year include a new location and expanded Friday activities.

All volunteers will receive a volunteer T-shirt and free admission to the festival for the entire weekend. To volunteer call Mary Jones, Equal Opportunity Office, at 791-2014 or 791-6082.

**Teen council applications sought**

The Morris Museum of Art is accepting applications for the 2003-04 Teen Advisory Council. Council members learn more about art and museums, and plan museum events for their peers. Application deadline is **Sept. 1**. For information, call 724-7501; for an application, call 828-3865.

**Girl Scout troops forming**

Girl Scout troops are forming across the CSRA for girls ages 5-17.

Volunteers are also needed as Scout leaders. Training is provided. Call 774-0505 for information.

**TB testing**

As part of an enhanced post-deployment health assessment program, all soldiers and civilians returning from a deployment are required to undergo a tuberculosis screening between three and six months after returning.

Unit commanders or representatives should contact Lt. Col. Kevin Michaels or Maj. David Marana, preventive medicine,

to plan or coordinate testing. Call 787-3547 for information.

**EFMP event**

The Exceptional Family Member Program meets for bowling at Gordon Lanes Bowling Center the third **Monday** of each month from 5-6:30 p.m. Come out and join the fun including door prizes and free shoe rentals. For information call 791-4872/7557.

**Surviving military separation**

Army Community Service offers a support group for deployed soldiers' spouses. This is an opportunity for spouses to share ideas and strategies on how to cope with stress associated with the service members' absence.

The class is held from 1-2:30 p.m. the first **Wednesday** of each month in Darling Hall, Room 367. For information call 791-3579/7557.

**PIE meetings set**

Parent Information Ex-

change meetings are the fourth **Thursday** of every month in the ACS conference room from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. A different agency is highlighted from the community to share information with parents about various medical conditions and educational issues. Call 791-4872/3579 for information about EFMP.

**Employment workshop**

A weekly workshop, "Tools of Employment," is held **Tuesday** mornings to assist in resume writing, job searching, and interviewing techniques. It is strongly recommended that this two-hour workshop is attended before the job search begins.

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# Soldiers, Airmen combine to change lives at orphanages

**Airman 1st Class Kara Philp**  
*Army News Service*

**AN NASIRIYAH, IRAQ**—The convoy's engines rumble slowly to a dull idle. The melodic sounds of a Muslim prayer fill the hot, dusty air of An Nasiriyah, Iraq. A boys' orphanage sits empty and quiet.

This somber scene quickly changes as Army and Air Force troops of Tallil Air Base arrive with boxes of surprises.

Inside a rundown concrete building a black and white television displays Arabic writing. A man dressed in traditional clothing welcomes the visiting troops, still clad in their camouflaged body armor.

A quick glance of the facility reveals the tough life for the orphans who call it home. The children at the orphanage are without an extended family. World War II-style beds, some with mattresses and some without, are the only furniture besides an old dining table in a closet-sized kitchen.

"I've seen different levels of society, but nothing could have prepared me for this," said Sgt. Jessica Yniguez, 806th Adjutant General (Postal) Company operations sergeant.

Once all the boxes marked "boys" are delivered the troops wave goodbye as their convoy pulls out. The next stop is an orphanage for toddlers.

Some of the children, ranging from one month to 5-years old, sleep soundly. Others race toward the doorway with their hands raised above their heads beckoning to be picked up and held by the Americans.

The 402nd Civil Affairs Battalion's command sergeant major Terry Davis remembered different reactions.

"On our first trip to the orphanages the children were afraid of us — very standoffish and unsure," Davis recalled. "Now they come running to us and you can see it in their eyes — they are happier. We've made a difference."

"The second I saw the children I wanted to cry. I think it was out of joy," Yniguez said.

She said the children helped her forget about the war momentarily.

"I enjoy the innocence of the children," she said. "They have no understanding of what's going on outside the building."

After the precious boxes are unloaded and delivered,

the convoy makes yet another trip across town and the Euphrates River bringing the troops to their final stop.

The last of the three orphanages houses girls, up to age 16. Because they are excited to see familiar faces, the language barrier fades.

"This mission makes me feel needed," said Airman 1st Class Carlos Williams, 332nd Expeditionary Communications Squadron Post Office postal clerk. "Seeing the children go through the items we collected makes all our hard work worthwhile."

Everyone gathers around the boxes as the items are pulled out one by one — colored pencils, scissors, toothpaste and combs.

"Their eyes just light up," Yniguez said. "It makes you wonder if they have ever seen a box of crayons before. The colors are such a contrast from those of their surroundings. It makes you appreciate every single thing you have."

Some girls fill their arms up with all they can carry and run off down the hall, while others wait anxiously to see what's inside of the next box.

"It feels good to see this type of reaction," Williams said from the doorway.

The buildings have seen great improvements since the

members of the Army's 402nd Civil Affairs Battalion made their first 15-minute voyage from Tallil in April, Davis recalled. Recently, the Air Force piggybacked on the Army's idea. As a result, the first joint Army and Air Force trip was made just a few weeks ago.

"When we first visited the orphanage there was no running water, no electricity, no sewage and no refrigeration," Davis said. "The buildings had been looted — and what the thieves didn't want they set on fire."

"To actually meet and spend time with the children we are helping is the most rewarding part," Goodwin said. "They are very grateful for the things we provide and look forward to our visits."

"It's a blessing to be able to make a difference in this area," Goodwin said. "Six months ago this wouldn't have been possible."

As the convoy begins the trek back to Tallil, children chase after the trucks waving and shouting "maa al salama, maa al salama." While the words translate to goodbye, the voices are filled with hope the troops return soon.

*(Philp is a staff writer with the 332nd AEW Public Affairs Office.)*

## Are we there yet?

**Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jim Snyder**  
*Chapel Centers and Religious Activities chief*

800-mile or longer trip and say "aren't we there yet?"

Isn't that just like life? Most of the time the journey is not the problem. We just want to get to our desired destination. Life can sometimes seem like a series of short or long journeys from one desired event to another.

We can't wait to get off work for the day, have a weekend, enjoy a long weekend, take a week or two of leave, make the next rank, ETS, celebrate Christmas, PCS, get married, have children, and a hundred other important or not so important events.

They all have in common the ability to take our attention away from really living where we are and what we are doing in the present.

How are we to live life when it always seems that "we aren't there yet"? To always be longing to be where we are going is to miss much of the wonder and fun of the present and the journey.

Real life and joy are found not only in finally arriving, but also in enjoying the ride. Life should be lived and enjoyed a day at a time. Psalms, Chapter 118, verse 24, says "This is the day the Lord has made; we will be glad and rejoice in it."

Take time to enjoy today and everyday. Rejoice in the present. Look out the window of life and enjoy the journey; we all pass this way just once.

Anyone who has ever been a parent of a young child can surely identify with "are we there yet?" Who hasn't started out even a short journey of five minutes or more and not been confronted with the question, "are we there yet?"

Depending upon the child's age, it may be impossible to explain why they aren't there yet. Time and distance are hard concepts to understand and take greater experience and cognitive ability than most young children can comprehend.

As the parent of two grown children, I can speak from experience that even as their experience and thinking capacity expanded they still asked the question. I would do my best when they were young to try to explain when we would arrive.

My best efforts always seemed to fail even as they grew older. We tried activities to keep them occupied. We brought games, comics and books. We tried games of finding the most of whatever on our journey. We took a stash of sandwiches, chips, cookies, and soda.

You can guess the results of that. We stopped frequently. Nothing could make a long drive tolerable for our children. My wife and I would sometimes look at each other on an



Photo by Staff Sgt. John Barton

**Air Force Master Sgt. Sylvia Goodwin, 332nd Expeditionary Communications Squadron postmaster, helps local children sort through the contents of one of the boxes delivered to the orphanages.**

## Labor of love swells troop support

**Beau Whittington**  
*Army News Service*

**WASHINGTON**—One 12-year-old's love for her uncle stationed in Kirkuk, Iraq, has swelled into a grass roots campaign to show support for the troops fighting the War on Terror.

It's also caused her a lot of work. In April, Jenessa Alexis Largent, of White Bear Lake, Minn., was thinking a lot about her uncle Sgt. 1st Class Mike Chamorro and decided she wanted to do something special in his honor.

"At first I wanted to wear a yellow hair binder around my wrist to represent the yellow ribbons of the past," she recalled. She quickly found the binders were too flimsy and looked for a better answer.

She decided to make herself a bracelet.

While the design is simple, it's filled with symbolism. In the center of the bracelet are three handmade red, white and blue clay hearts representing love and patriotism. Braided string connects the hearts to three yellow beads on the sides show you have a loved one away at war.

When her friends saw her handy work they thought it was a great idea and asked if she could make them one to honor their relatives at war. "It was just a couple, so I said sure," she recalled.

Then things began to happen. A couple of more friends asked, and she responded.

Then she posted a Web site so her uncle could see how her efforts were going. Proud of his caring niece, the uncle told his comrades about the site and they began telling their families.

All of a sudden the numbers began growing, and so did her notoriety.

Suddenly she was "media interest" and the interviews came her way. She's been interviewed by CNN, MSNBC, Fox News and even appeared on the "Tonight Show."

The more the interviews came, the more the orders came. To date, the preteen — with a little help from her friends and family — has made more than 36,000 bracelets.

But, she's not finished yet. Currently, Largent has 52,000 bracelets on back order, and the number grows daily.

When Gen. Jack Keane, Army vice chief of staff, heard the industrious youth was going to be in the Washington area this week he invited her to tour the Pentagon and visit patients at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

While she enjoyed meeting the vice chief, she found the Walter Reed visit a little tough.

"It was really hard to go and see all these people that had gone to fight for my freedom," she reflected. "It's not like they went there to fight for themselves. They are fighting for us — not themselves."

Currently, the bracelets are free be-



Photo by Spc. Bill Putnam

**Jenessa Alexis Largent is interviewed by CNN while visiting the Pentagon Monday. Largent was recognized for her efforts in making 36,000 bracelets honoring soldiers fighting the War on Terror.**

cause her supplies are being donated. But Largent asks for a donation for postage. It cost her 50 cents to mail a bracelet. "Luckily we're just keeping our heads just above water, but we have a long way to go," she stressed.

For more information on the bracelets go to [www.harmsway4kids.com](http://www.harmsway4kids.com).

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**Sunday**

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10 a.m. • Eisenhower Army Medical Center Chapel  
11 a.m. • Gospel Service at Signal Theatre  
11 a.m. • Bicentennial Chapel  
11 a.m. • Friendship Chapel

Friday 7 p.m. • Spanish Speaking Service, Bicentennial Chapel

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12:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday, Good Shepherd Chapel  
3:30 p.m. Saturday, Confessions, Good Shepherd Chapel  
5 p.m. Saturday, Vigil Mass, Good Shepherd Chapel

**Sunday Masses**

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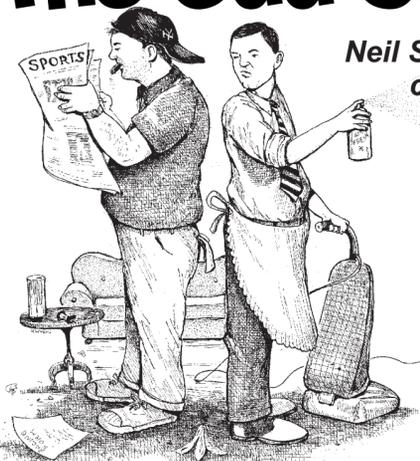
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# Baghdad: a three-hour tour

Spc. Ryan Smith  
Army News Service

**BAGHDAD** – Life always seems more peaceful around a body of water. Perhaps that's why the soldiers of the 671st Engineer Company seem so relaxed.

The soldiers of Portland, Ore.-based, Army Reserve company spend much of their time in Baghdad cruising down the Tigris River on boat patrols.

"We go out on the river and make our presence known," said Sgt. Timothy Dorris, noncommissioned officer-in-charge of the patrols, 671st Eng. Co. "We want people to know we're out there."

While many soldiers think of patrolling in terms of tough foot patrols on the city's streets, this group of combat engineers considers patrolling a blessing.

They could be spending eight hours a day staring off into the distance beneath the blazing rays of the sun, pulling guard duty — an extremely important, but rarely well-liked, job.

Instead, the 671st, a company that builds multi-purpose bridges for the military, uses their boats to patrol the murky, yet placid waters of the Tigris, where Iraqis can be found relaxing, fishing and swimming.

The unit has been patrolling up and down the Tigris River since early May in their MK-2 boats. The boats are essentially miniature tugboats normally used for erecting bridges, said Dorris.

"We regularly take interpreters with us," Dorris said. "We get a lot of information from people along the river."

Soldiers from the unit have apprehended people smuggling illegal items on the river and found unexploded ordnance along the banks, he said.

"One time, we brought out the father of a drowning victim to help his search for his son," Dorris said.

The unit has also escorted soldiers from other Army units, such as psychological operations soldiers who use the river to spread information to the Iraqi people about curfew and coalition operations.

"We like doing this a lot," Dorris said. "It's a lot better than guard duty."

The soldiers have seen the result of their presence as well, he said. "Every time we've helped someone in a particular area of the river, whenever we go back, everyone waves."

(Smith is a journalist with the 372nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment deployed to Iraq.)



Photo by Spc. Ryan Smith  
Combat engineers from the 671st Engineer Company, an Army Reserve unit from Portland, Ore., patrol the Tigris River in Baghdad Saturday.

## Electronic personnel system debuts here

Special to the Signal

The Army Human Resource System Electronic Military Personnel Office, or eMILPO, became a reality for the Army community Aug. 1.

While the change may seem sudden, the planning for eMILPO began in March 2000 to replace the SIDPERS system and begin the Army's personnel transformation.

The development of eMILPO has been rapid and is the Army's safety net as the Department of Defense

transitions to the Defense Integrated Military Human Resource System.

The eMILPO system is a Web-based, multi-tiered application and can be accessed through the AHRS Web portal from the Army Knowledge Online portal and is accessible worldwide by all echelons of field users.

Some key changes include the consolidation of 43 separate databases into one database. The eMILPO application is also easier to navigate. System enhancements include behind-the-

scene transaction processing, Sign-of-Life, automatic departures, and workflow notices.

Behind-the-scenes transaction processing means the eMILPO will automatically send the appropriate transaction for the function that is being performed and users will not be required to sign off the system for transaction processing.

The Sign-of-Life principle means that any user will be able to claim accountability of a soldier standing in front of them. Since a central combined

Army database will be used, the need to wait for data to be transferred from one installation to another (and the "temporary" record) will be eliminated.

A unit will be able to arrive or attach all active duty soldiers and mobilized Reserve soldiers with proper orders regardless of whether or not the departure transaction was sent from the losing unit.

Departures will automatically be processed based on the soldier's date of loss. The soldier's record will automatically be removed

from the losing unit on the DLOS date, unless the user intervenes to stop the soldier's departure.

Workflow notices provide authorized users with automatic notification of strength accounting events, which are actions that a user needs to perform for soldiers within their unit(s).

Included with eMILPO is the AHRS Enterprise Datastore. This database allows users to view canned reports, develop ad hoc queries, retrieve enlisted record briefs, and the Unit Personnel Accountability Report, as

well as Alpha Rosters.

This database is refreshed every hour by the eMILPO database. As an on-line analytical processing tool for reports and queries this will give the user flexibility in tailoring standard reports to suit local needs.

The Personnel Automation Branch offers training classes for AHRS eMILPO and Enterprise Datastore.

For more information on these databases or DIMHRS, contact Nora Bernhardt, chief of the Personnel Automation Branch, at 791-1991.

## 94th Engineer Battalion clears path for security

Spc. Chad Wilkerson  
Army News Service

**BAGHDAD** – Soldiers from the Vilseck, Germany-based, 94th Engineer Battalion are kicking up 20-foot clouds of dust to make the Coalition Provisional Authority's headquarters more secure.

"We are out here clearing out buildings for the security force protection of the CPA," said Staff Sgt. Roger Faust, noncommissioned officer-in-charge the 94th Eng. Bn. detachment working at the former presidential palace of Saddam Hussein.

Soldiers in the battalion's Company B have taken on part of the security responsibility for the CPA at the presidential palace in Baghdad with the teardown and cleanup of unwanted structures, Faust said.

Five-ton dump trucks, backhoes and bulldozers kicked up 20-foot clouds of dust as soldiers scooped up and tow off the rubble of the old regime's destroyed military buildings.

The main threat concern for the CPA security is possible attackers that could cross the river in an attempt to gain access to the palace grounds, said Faust.

The engineers have been tasked with clearing out the bombed-out buildings that could provide cover and concealment for hostile intruders. "Right here were a total of 13 buildings that have been taken down so guards have a clear view of the palace grounds all the way to the Tigris River," he said.

"We are concerned mostly with people crossing the river, and in case of any kind of at-

tack we don't want to give the enemy a place to hide," said Spc. J.D. Wissinger, heavy construction equipment operator in the 94th Eng. Bn. "Most of these buildings were in terrible disrepair and were of no use to us anyway."

The push for security in Iraq is far from finished, said Faust. He and his soldiers are proud to make their contribution to the safety of the hub of the new Iraqi government, as well as the soldiers and civilians who guard it.

"Although major hostilities have ended, the real war is not officially over," said Faust. "We are out here doing our job. That is what I joined the Army to do and there is nothing else I would rather do."

(Wilkerson is a journalist with the 372nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment in Baghdad, Iraq.)



Photo by Spc. Chad Wilkerson

Heavy construction equipment operators from the 94th Engineer Battalion load rubble from old, destroyed military buildings on the bank of the Tigris River Aug. 14. The building-clearing project was begun in order to clear the land of the useless obstructions that might provide a hiding place to would-be intruders.

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# Tend legal affairs before deployment

Gerry Gilmore  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — American service members have deployed to locales across the globe for months at a time since the advent of the war against global terrorism.

Therefore, it's important military members vigilantly ensure a constant state of legal readiness, Capt. Brian K. Keller, a Marine Corps lawyer, asserted during an interview with American Forces Press Service.

Keller is the officer in charge of the Marine legal assistance office at Henderson Hall, Va. He maintained that service members should "take some time," long before a deployment becomes a possibility, to consult a military attorney for evaluation of their legal readiness, including the usual suspects — wills and powers of attorney — but also the laundry list of other issues.

Military legal assistance attorneys can help service members complete that list, but once deployment comes into view, Keller noted, it often is too late to attend to the myriad of appointments, paperwork and actions needed to ensure legal readiness.

The military provides free legal assistance to service

members and their dependents, Keller pointed out. Legal assistance attorneys handle traditional transactions like arranging wills and powers of attorney. They can also counsel service members on a wide range of topics, including insurance matters, consumer and civil law issues, court hearings and child-support obligations.

Powers of attorney, Keller noted, are powerful legal documents that authorize a designated representative to conduct specific transactions in the name of the absentee.

Yet, a general power of attorney without limits, he cautioned, may give holders "unlimited powers to do whatever they wanted to with your assets."

Depending on the situation, authorizing general powers of attorney can "be a terrible thing to do," Keller pointed out. Instances of misuse of powers of attorney, he noted, have been known to occur during and after deployments. Therefore, he recommended that powers of attorney should be limited "to about a one-year time span," and should be given sparingly and only to trustworthy and financially responsible individuals.

When deployed overseas, Keller noted that service

members would find it's difficult to revoke powers of attorney. To effectively revoke powers of attorney, he explained, "You not only have to give the revocation to the holder," but also to anyone that may rely on the power of attorney such as businesses, banks or mortgage lenders.

To mitigate possible misuse of powers of attorney, Keller said it's a good idea "to have a special power of attorney that's limited to a certain amount of time" and that spells out exactly what the holder is authorized to do.

For example, he noted, powers of attorney can be written to only authorize the issuance of checks in specific amounts and to pay specific bills.

A will, Keller noted, is another important legal document that service members should periodically review and update as needed, typically due to circumstances such as new members to the family, divorce, changes in assets and other factors.

Divorced or separated service members with child support payments or other financial obligations should ensure that such monies continue to be provided to the appropriate agency or person, to include during periods of deployment,



Photo by Joseph Hamm

## Fire safe

Firefighter and paramedic Ed Hawthorne questions a student on fire safety Aug. 9 at the Back to School Jamboree. The fire department offered fire safety tips for the children and families at the fest.

he added.

If child support obligations will become exceedingly financially burdensome or impossible to meet during deployment, service members must request a decrease of the court-ordered amount well before deployment, Keller pointed out. Waiting too long, he noted, may waive any possibility of a decrease.

All in all, keeping up with legal affairs — especially before being deployed — benefits both

individual service members and military readiness, Keller emphasized.

Service members with their legal affairs in disarray and hard pressed to effectively tackle those problems often become overwhelmed and consequently "can't do their jobs appropriately," Keller noted.

And in the long run "they'll incur more financial damage," Keller pointed out, "if they don't set up preventative (legal) measures beforehand."

The need for service members to attend to legal readiness issues is no less important than carrying the proper homeowner's or automobile insurance policies, Keller said.

Because "there's no way the military can verify each service member's legal readiness," he pointed out, "the onus of (legal) preparedness" falls on the individual (service member) and his or her family.

## Housing

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The program isn't just to help permanent party members, though, Dean said.

Phase 5A Advanced Individual Training soldiers will be allowed to move out of the smaller, cramped barracks and into the newly renovated permanent party barracks on Lane Avenue, Dean said.

"We want to give (Initial Entry Training) students a better quality of life," Dean said. "The bottom line is it's better for soldiers."

Sgt. Kevin Quill, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Garrison, said he's looking forward to the opportunity to move off post.

"I think as a (noncommissioned officer) and at my age, I feel I've earned the right to live off post," said Quill, who has been in the Army a total of eight years. "It would be nice to have neighbors who aren't military and have different backgrounds."

"And I can have dogs. That's the thing I really like."

It will also benefit Augusta in a big way, Dean said. Especially the apartment business.

"Soldiers are looking for swimming pools and places where they don't have to (do police call)," Dean said. The soldiers will also be given separate rations — money to eat with instead of meal cards, which will result in more soldiers

spending money in restaurants off post.

"It's all about better opportunities for single servicemembers," Dean said. The program will improve living conditions for soldiers, as well as save money.

After everyone is moved around, barracks left with no inhabitants will be shut down and locked up. Dean said this would save money because the Army won't be using electricity and energy in the mothballed buildings. Money will also be saved, since the shut buildings won't have to be renovated, which is an expensive and time-consuming process.

The program is scheduled to last for one year. If, after a year, the program isn't approved, anyone participating will be allowed to stay off post until they change stations, Dean said, though no more will be allowed to move off post. This keeps the servicemember from having to move back into the barracks after living in an apartment and purchasing necessary furniture, such as a bed or couch.

Dean said the program is still in its beginning stages, both at the DA level and on Fort Gordon. But once in place, the program will be a success.

"This gives a better look to the Army," said Dean. "Everything is for the soldiers. This will benefit all the soldiers."

## Conference

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combat during Operation Iraqi Freedom and was the first U.S. unit to attack across the Euphrates River toward Baghdad.

During his speech, which lasted about an hour and fifteen minutes, Charlton gave a detailed and candid evaluation of the FBCB2 system, including its many perks, and some things he noticed could be improved. But, judging from his speech, it was obvious Charlton was quite impressed with the FBCB2, and other such technology.

"Tactical networks give the United States military a decisive advantage in any conflict against the enemy, I really believe that," Charlton said. "One of the most powerful weapons is our ability to communicate tactically in a way that nobody else can. It doesn't matter who the enemy is, or what the terrain, we have a huge advantage."

Among the advantages Charlton said he saw from using a tactical network was an increase in the speed of making battlefield decisions, which he said was of paramount importance during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

"It allows rapid dissemination of combat information, enhances our overall situation awareness, which is a tremendous asset, greatly increases the tempo of operation and it reduces fratricide," Charlton said. "The bottom line is it gives us speed and tempo and that is decisive on

the battlefield. We went in with one division, supported by the Marines, moving very quickly. There was a lot of criticism of that strategy, but it worked. I believe one of the reasons it worked well was our ability to communicate."

The advantage of using Signal technology such as satellite imagery to see the complete battlefield was also key in moving across great stretches of terrain quickly and reducing deaths due to friendly fire.

"It's truly amazing," Charlton said. "We were able to get where we wanted to go without any problems. I became a believer right there. I never want to go into combat without it"

The FBCB2 system is of particular interest to Fort Gordon, Charlton said, because a lot of people here have worked on it. He was addressing some of these people at the Gordon Club, where he was the Army Tactical Networks Modernization Conference keynote speaker during the Signal Corps Regimental Association luncheon.

The conference, held semi-annually with spring and fall sessions, ran this year from Aug. 11-15 at various locations on post, and featured displays on new technology and a variety of speakers, Matthew Cullen, the Chief of the Frequency Spectrum Propriety Office, Directorate of Combat Development, U.S. Signal Center and Fort Gordon, said. He said these speakers included "network managers in desert BDUs who still had sand in their pockets telling us what

the Signal Corps is doing over there."

He said this input and feedback is an invaluable part of the conference. More than 200 people registered for this year's conference, Cullen said.

This year's conference actually acted as a make-up of the spring conference, which was postponed due to happenings in the Middle East during the springtime. It is still undetermined whether a fall conference, usually held at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., will take place.

Cullen said the conference has two main purposes.

"The first is to provide information to tactical managers on systems or equipment that has recently been developed, and is usually also specific to automation or the Signal Corps," Cullen said.

The second purpose, Cullen said, is to serve as a forum for communication between tactical network managers and people at Fort Gordon and Fort Monmouth, who are largely responsible for developing the tactical systems.

Following his speech, Charlton presented a Signal Corps shirt, which even though he said he might take some kidding from his infantry buddies for wearing, he said he will wear with pride, now that he has seen technology such as tactical networks in action.

"Your jobs are critical, because if we don't have that network, we don't have communication on the battlefield, and if you don't have communication, you can't win," he said.

## Lawyers, dentists wanted

The Office of The Judge Advocate General is accepting applications for the Army's Funded Legal Education Program.

Under this program, the Army projects sending up to 15 active duty commissioned officers to law school at government expense if funding permits. Selected officers will attend law school beginning the fall of 2004 and will remain on active duty while attending law school.

Interested officers should review Chapter 14, Army Regulation 27-1 (The JAG Funded Legal Education Program) to determine eligibility. The program is open to commissioned officers in the rank of second lieutenant through captain. Applicants must have at least two but not more than six years of active federal service at the time legal training begins. Eligibility is governed by statute (10 U.S.C. 2004) and is non-waivable.

Eligible officers interested in applying should immediately register for the fall offering of

the Law School Admission Test. Applicants must send their request through command channels, to include the officer's branch manager at PERSCOM, with a copy furnished to JAG, Attn. DAJA-PT, 1777 North Kent Street, Rosslyn, Va., 22209-2194, to be received by Nov. 1. Submission of the application well in advance of the deadline is advised.

Interested officers should contact the Staff Judge Advocate at 791-3148 for more information.

The Army is also looking for qualified applicants to attend dental school in a civilian institution.

The F. Edward Herbert Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program for Dentistry offers students planning to attend or currently enrolled in an accredited dental school in the United States, Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia a unique opportunity for financial support. Currently, the Army offers one-, two-, three- and four-

year scholarships to selected students.

Students are commissioned as second lieutenants in the Reserve and, while completing school, receive a stipend for 10 and a half months each year.

For the remaining one and one-half months, students will receive pay and allowances as a second lieutenant, whether performing their active duty training at school or an Army facility. This income is in addition to the stipend, tuition, books, selected equipment purchases (or rental), and fees.

Applications for this program are accepted throughout the year and are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to qualified individuals.

Complete application procedures may be obtained from an Army health care recruiter. Locate the closest recruiter by going to [healthcare.goarmy.com](http://healthcare.goarmy.com). Inquiries may also be directed to Col. Ann Sue von Gonten, e-mail [ann.vongonten@cen.amedd.army.mil](mailto:ann.vongonten@cen.amedd.army.mil), or phone (210) 295-9604.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Kevin Wastler

## Tanked

Local construction contractors under the supervision of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) recover a destroyed Iraqi tank from a ditch for transport to the Ammunition Supply Point where inoperable military vehicles from the past regime are placed for inventory and destruction, July 29. The 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) has the responsibility of coordinating with local contractors to clear up areas where damaged military vehicles and equipment are found in the surrounding areas of Mosul, Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

# Sports & Leisure

## Sports UPDATE

### Lacrosse meeting

The Aiken-Augusta Lacrosse Club practices **Sunday and Sept. 7** in both Aiken and Augusta. The club is open to players of all abilities.

Call 733-4271 or 854-1908 for information.

### Run for the woods

The 12th Annual Regions Bank "Run for the woods," a 5.4 mile "true" cross country race, is scheduled for **Nov. 1** in Hitchcock Woods, Aiken, S.C. This will be the 2003 Palmetto Grand Prix S.C. Cross Country Championship.

A variety of runs and power walks are slated for the day.

For more information, contact:

Woods Run, PO Box 1564, Aiken, S.C. 29802 or call (803)649-7552.

### Riding lessons

Horse riding lessons are available at Hilltop Riding Stables for ages six and older. Group lessons for three or more people are \$15 per person, per lesson on **Thursdays**.

Private lessons are \$25 per person, per lesson, and semi-private lessons for two people are \$20 per person, per lesson on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Call 791-4864 for details.

### Ski club meets

The Augusta Ski and Outing Club, for people who enjoy outdoor recreation, meets the first **Tuesday** of each month.

Call 651-1556 for details.

### Referees wanted

The Augusta Ice Hockey Association is accepting applications for ice hockey officials. Applicants must have a working knowledge of ice hockey rules and be able to skate; the association will train and certify.

For information call 556-3091 or 863-0061.

### Hockey players sought

The Augusta Hockey Association is looking for ice hockey players for the upcoming fall season starting in **September**. Call 556-9957 for information.

### Lake activities

Fort Gordon Recreation Area and Strom Thurmond Lake offers lodging, campsites, pavilion, picnic area, boat/RV storage, camping equipment and more.

For more information on the recreation area or reserving part of the area go to [www.fortgordon.com](http://www.fortgordon.com) or call 541-1057.

### Christmas House golf tournament

The 15th Signal Brigade is sponsoring a four-person scramble golf tournament **Oct. 16** to benefit the Christmas House charity on post.

The event, which starts with a 10-11 a.m. check-in, will feature a lunch buffet from 10:30-11:45 a.m. before the noon shotgun start.

The cost of entering the tournament is \$35, which can be paid in advance or on the day of the tournament.

To sign up, call or e-mail Capt. Kent Denmon or Sgt. 1st Class Laroy Linder at 791-2987 or 7013 or at [denmonk@gordon.army.mil](mailto:denmonk@gordon.army.mil) by **Oct. 3**.

## Ready to run

### Fort Gordon Army Ten-Miler team training for Army's big race



Photo by Sgt. Ryan Matson

### Fort Gordon 2003 Army Ten-Miler team

Members of this year's Army Ten-Miler running team representing Fort Gordon stand on the quarter-mile track on Barton Field where they were having a speed workout. They are, left to right: Sgt. Mark Davis, 206th Military Intelligence Battalion, Warrant Officer Arturo Torres, Jr., Company B, 442nd Signal Battalion, Chief Warrant Officer Robert Denmark (team captain), Company A, 442nd Signal Battalion, Steven Hubbard, a civilian working with the 116th Military Intelligence Group, Sgt. Jerobine Mukweyi, Company B, Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Pfc. Matt Funk, Company C, 551st Signal Battalion, Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Dempsey, Regimental Noncommissioned Officer's Academy, and Staff Sgt. Robert Shuttlesworth, Company A, 447th Signal Battalion. Absent from the photo are: Pfc. Adrian Poli, Company C, 551st Signal Battalion and Sgt. Stanley Jackson, Company B, Eisenhower Army Medical Center.

#### Sgt. Ryan Matson Military editor

They've got high hopes. Every year, Fort Gordon takes a running team to the Army Ten-Miler race in Washington, D.C., to represent the post in the event, which serves as a kick-off for the Association of the United States Army conference the following week.

Sometimes the teams fare well, and sometimes they more or less just participate. This year, however, Fort Gordon Ten-Miler team captain Chief Warrant Officer Robert Denmark, Company A, 442nd Signal Battalion, likes what he sees.

"The thing that I like the most about this team is that everyone came with a good attitude and is willing to work hard to have a good showing at the Army Ten-Miler," Denmark said.

"For the training that we do, a good attitude is essential. We have guys that always display a positive demeanor, regardless of the situation, even at the end of a hard 17-mile run. I think it says a lot for that person and the team. Besides, we do all get along so well."

As Denmark pointed out, training to run a ten-mile race can be extremely demanding. He said the team currently runs between 55-65 miles a week, a number which he expects to increase before they start scaling back in preparation of the race. He said the team works out weekdays on post, running a variety of routes of differing distances and terrains.

The week culminates with a long run in downtown Augusta on 13th and Broad Street, spanning a distance of 17 miles, at a pace of between 7:15 and 7:30 miles, which Denmark calls "a nice conversational pace."

Denmark said the training started after the July 4 holiday weekend, following try-outs in late June.

"It was essential to start early so that we have enough time to properly build leg strength and endurance," he explained. "The second phase

of our training was to incorporate speed work and hill repeats, all while maintaining our weekly mileage of 55-65 miles. The final phase of our training consisted of maintaining the skills and abilities we have gained up to this phase, as well as strategies, like running smarter, not harder."

Denmark, a member of the local running group, the Augusta Striders, is an accomplished runner who has thrice run the Ten-Miler himself. He will be leading nine other Fort Gordon runners, civilian and military, into action at the Ten-Miler in October.

At 38 years old, he is also one of the teams veteran members, along with civilian team member Steven Hubbard, 41 and Sgt. 1st Class Christopher Dempsey, Regional Noncommissioned Officer Academy. There are several young soldiers on the team also, which Denmark said helps keep the team fresh.

"I think this (the variety in ages of team members) helps a lot because the older guys are good, but our experience is what gives us the edge," Denmark said. "However, I think youth is important on the team as well, they have a raw material in their running ability that we can help develop."

There are a lot of lessons being shared among the team members. I don't have all of the answers but when we are together as a team, we can come up with all of the answers, philosophically or athletically."

So out of these younger and older runners, who's the fastest?

Well, that depends on a few factors. Denmark said that for the complete 10 miles, he's one of the fastest runners on the team, but several runners are close and capable of running the race in under an hour, such as Sgt. Stanley Jackson, Company B, Eisenhower Army Medical Center (58:46), Denmark (58:55) and Hubbard (60:15).

Denmark said Pfc. Matt Funk, Company C, 551st Signal Battalion is very fast in the 5K (17:52), and is working hard to improve his skills to be

competitive at a greater distance. Denmark said everyone's time on the team for 10 miles is around an hour, so it should be interesting to see who comes out on top on race day.

This year, Denmark said Fort Gordon will actually enter two separate five-person teams in the race: a mixed team, featuring the team's lone female runner, Sgt. Jerobine Mukweyi, Company B, Eisenhower Army Medical Center, and an all-male team.

While the team is preparing for the Ten-Miler in October, they have competed in several area races for extra practice.

"The team schedule has several races built into it as time trials to let us know how our training is measuring up," Denmark explained. "It gives us a chance to actually compete locally to see how we stack up against other runners."

Six members of the team just ran in a 5K race in Columbia earlier this month and two placed, Denmark said. He said four other races are

planned between now and the Ten-Miler: the Aiken Sun Run 5K Saturday, the Michelin Midnight run in Anderson, S.C., Friday, the Aiken Whiskey Road Race on Sept. 6 and the Broad Street Ramble on Sept. 20.

The Army Ten-Miler is one of the world's largest ten mile roads races, each year drawing several thousand participants (last year, nearly 12,000 runners competed in the event). This year, the Army Ten-Miler will take place Oct. 5, starting at 8 a.m. at the Pentagon.

The event is not only a race, but also a celebration of the Army, with thousands of Army people cheering on the participants from alongside the course, music and other festivities. Runners pass by such historic Washington, D.C. landmarks as the Lincoln Memorial, the Capitol building and Washington Monument on the historic Ten-Mile route.

Denmark said he is excited to participate in the event again.

"I like it because each time I run it, it seems like the first time all over again," he said.

"There is an excitement I feel that is hard to explain. When you see all of those people out there in the cold at 6 in the morning (two hours before the race begins), it tells you a lot about them. There are people who have a lot of convictions and look forward to this event each year.

"I just like being part of that. It's also good to see all the runners who compete in the event calling cadence, that's tough but they make it look really easy. I think it's a great experience, and everyone should run it at least once."

Time will only tell how this year's Fort Gordon team will fare, but with all the hard work the team has done in preparation of the event, Denmark, and the others remain optimistic.

"It is my hope that we do well this year," he said. "The team competition is very, very competitive at the Army Ten-Miler. If we do well there, it will definitely give notice that Fort Gordon is a running force to reckon with. It will give us bragging rights for at least a year."

## Something fishy's going on...

### Kids fishing derby

Fort Gordon Outdoor Recreation will host its annual Kids Fishing Derby on **Sept. 20** at Claypit Lakes. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.

The fishing derby is from 8 to 11 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place winners in each of four age groups for the most pounds of fish caught.

Free T-shirts will be given away to the first 300 kids to attend the event. Free hot dogs and soda will also be available to each participant. Kids need to bring their own fishing pole (a limit of one pole per child).

### Take a soldier fishing day

The Fort Gordon Sportsman's Club will sponsor "Take a Soldier Fishing Day." Servicemembers are invited to go fishing with members of the Fort Gordon Sportsman's Club at Butler Reservoir on **Sept. 28** from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Boats and electric motors will be provided by the Sportsman's Club and its members. Fort Gordon fishing licenses have been waived for this event. Pre-registration is required, and a limited number of spaces are available. Call 791-5078 or 833-2834 for information.

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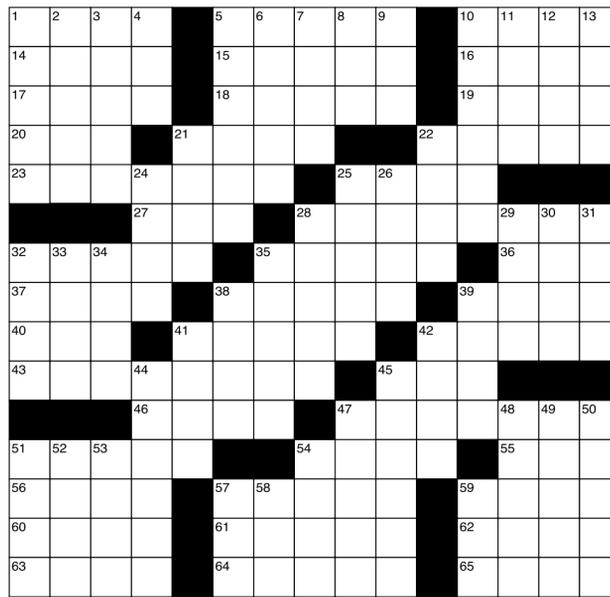
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- Winter athlete
- Express relief
- Light, curved frame to spread out a skirt
- Lace mat
- Land measure
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- Creamy
- Stolen
- Careless
- Humbug
- Rebelle
- Large S African oryx
- Cubes of meat
- Blackish-blue
- Bristle of barley
- Fill up
- Minute or strip
- Off-Broadway theater award
- Former coin of Pakistan
- A nomadic community
- Spanish baby
- Sediment
- Seventh letter of the Greek alphabet
- Wish for
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### CLUES DOWN

- A confusion of voices and other sounds
- Salt of uric acid
- Lavender
- Adverse
- Hunting expedition
- Physical suffering
- Enticement
- Printer's measures
- Tell on
- Integer
- Capital of Western Samoa
- Ancient Roman days
- Unaccompanied
- Join
- Avow
- Pile
- Newspaper
- Comply
- Slides
- Fire
- Swiss river
- At what time
- Ruler of Iran
- First-class
- Ore deposit
- Become drunk
- Effects
- Expresses pleasure
- Sloven
- Domestic
- Plays
- Drinking cup
- In a forest, open space
- Founded Mongol empire
- Unpaid
- Gives blow
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- Bulky grayish-brown eagle
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# Spectrum



Photo by Spc. Zoe Morris  
Spc. Christina Munden and Spc. Oliver Thorpe give Tiger, a poodle/beagle mix, a microchip implant while her nervous-looking owner, Stephanie McCray, looks on. When scanned, the microchip gives a retrieval number that can be used to find the owner.



Photos by Sgt. Ryan Matson

(Above) Spc. Christina Munden and Spc. Oliver Thorpe, veterinary specialists at the clinic on post, take the temperature of Tiger the cat. Tiger was in to be vaccinated.

(Below) Munden checks Tiger's heartbeat.



## Finding the purr-fect match

*Vet clinic provides care for military working dogs and soldier's pets and homes for lost and found animals*

Sgt. Ryan Matson  
Military editor

Maybe you're enrolled in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System program and have a pet that needs non-emergency veterinary care. Or perhaps you're a soldier who can have a pet, and is searching for one, or have lost your pet and are looking for it. In either instance, the veterinary clinic on North Range Road is the place to go.

If a member of the military police catches a stray pet on post, the animal is taken to the veterinary clinic, said Spc. Christina Munden, veterinary services. Here the animal will be cared for if it has sustained injuries or is sick. It's then placed in one of the five dog or 11 cat cages, as space allows.

Once an animal is at the clinic, Munden said if the owner does not come forward within three working days, the animal is put up for adoption.

If there is no room after the three days at the clinic, Munden, one of the four animal care specialists who work at the clinic, said the animals are usually taken to the Richmond County Animal Control.

For \$50, anyone can adopt and buy an animal and give it a happy home. The cost covers shots for one year, initial vaccinations, spaying or neuterings, as well as a microchip implanted between the animal's shoulders for recovery purposes if the animal is lost. All services are administered at the clinic, Munden said.

Besides providing care for lost and stray animals, the clinic provides annual vaccinations for family pets and some sick call issues.

All these services are offered in addition to the clinic's primary mission of caring for mili-

tary working dogs, she said.

Military spouse Sarah Fappiano said she has taken her pets to the veterinary clinic on post for years.

"They do a great job here," Fappiano said.

The clinic is open for business for product sales Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.. Pets can be seen by appointment only Tuesday and Thursdays. For the convenience of people who cannot leave work, the clinic is also open every month on the first Friday evening and the first Saturday after the mid-month's payday, Munden said. She added days can change due to holidays and other situations.

So if you're looking for an animal to bring into your home, or your pet needs care, contact the veterinary clinic at 787-7375. You'll have a happy, healthy animal to thank you.

### There's no place like home ...



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... and we need one! These three kittens are 9 weeks old and as spunky as they come. The clinic also offers a group adoption rate.

### Lassie come home!

This dog was just brought to the vet by the military police Tuesday. He has a collar but no identification tags. If you know this dog, or would like to adopt it, call the vet clinic at 787-7375.



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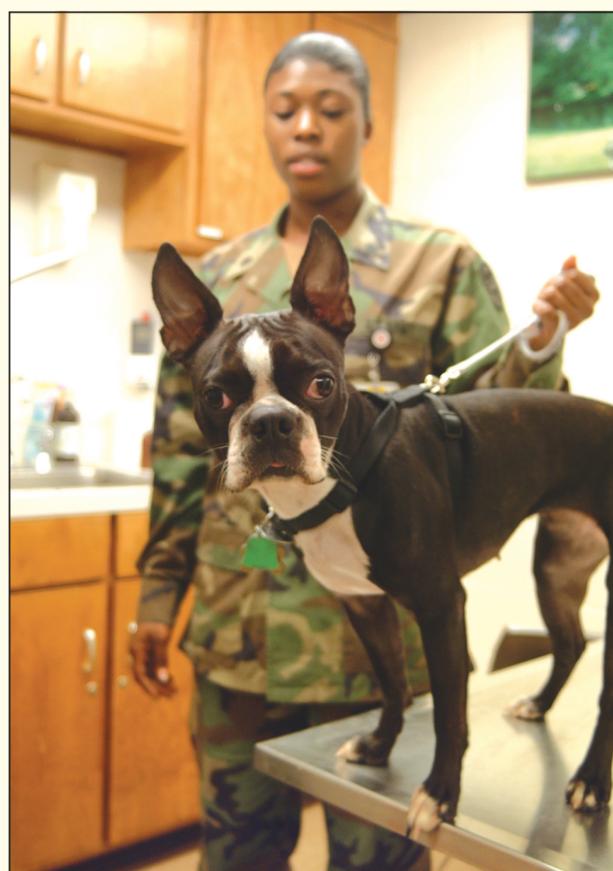


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Alex, a purebred Boston terrier, is 2 years old and house trained. All she needs is a loving home.