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News UPDATE

POW/MIA ceremony

There is a POW/MIA recognition ceremony at 10 a.m. today at the POW/MIA monument, intersection of Chamberlain Avenue and Kilbourne Street. For information, call 791-3702.

Luncheon

The Fort Gordon AFCEA, SCRA and AUSA chapters are having a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Friday at the Gordon Club.

Guest speaker is Lt. Gen. William Wallace, deputy commanding general for Combined Arms, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command.

Lunch choice is German schnitzel or chef salad. For reservations and tickets (specify schnitzel, \$9, or salad, \$8) call Amy Tuschen at 791-7815. Tickets may be paid for at the door, but reservations must be made in advance.

Arts festival

The Greater Augusta Arts Council is holding its annual Arts in the Heart of Augusta festival today through Sunday at the Augusta Common and Riverwalk in Augusta. Admission is \$3. Call 826-4702 for information.

Air Force Ball

The 31st Intelligence Squadron (U.S. Air Force) will hold the 2003 Air Force Ball Friday at the Sacred Heart Cultural Center in Augusta. The theme is the Centennial of Flight.

Call 791-9662 or 791-3578 for information or to purchase tickets.

Job workshop moved

The date and location for the Job Fair 2003 Preparation Workshop has changed. The new location is at ACAP, Building 33800, from 11 a.m.-noon Monday. Call 791-7333 to register or for information.

Spectrum conference

The Battlefield Spectrum Management Class 501-03 is sponsoring a Spectrum mini-conference today from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in Greeley Hall, Room 119. For information contact Master Sgt. Herbert Williams at 791-5165 or e-mail williahf@gordon.army.mil.

Dinner theatre

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

Show times are today, Saturday, Thursday, Friday and Sept. 27. Dinner begins at 7 p.m. and the show at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$12-\$30. For information, call 793-8552.

Take a number

Identification card center, Directorate of Information Management working hard to respond to Common Access Card challenges

Sgt. Ryan Matson
Military editor

It's another case of "out with the old, in with the new." CAC cards, or common access cards, are replacing old military ID cards. And the change in cards has kept both the ID card center and Directorate of Information Management very busy.

"We're working very hard to get it done (the conversion to the new card), nights and weekends in some cases," Sandy Huffman, the post adjutant general, said.

Which means the lines at the ID card center won't be getting any shorter, at least not for a little while.

"We've had 80 people lined up at 7 in the morning," Bob Wolfram, chief, Personnel Services Branch, Military Personnel Division, said.

Oct. 1 was supposed to be the date on which the Army and other branches of the military fully converted to the new card, although Huffman said there is a possibility that date will be moved back. More than four million people from all branches of the military, including active duty, selective reserve, and Department of Defense civilians and contractors, will get the new card, she said.

The new CAC card works through smart card technology, meaning it has a small token on the face of the card which contains one or more embedded memory or microprocessor circuit chips. The card will be used not only to identify people entering post, but as a swipe card for physical access to buildings, and for use with a

CAC reader at computers to send encrypted e-mail messages. According to the DoD CAC fact sheet, other possible uses for the card currently under development include using it as a food or meal card, using it for financial services and using it as a holder of dental readiness, student visibility, armory and property accountability, training, rifle range and deployment readiness.

Using the card as a means of sending encrypted e-mails is where DOIM entered the picture. Nida Nunnallee, an information technology specialist at

DOIM, said about 7,000 CAC readers have been issued to offices on post. The readers were originally delivered to the warehouse on post, and then appointments were scheduled for different sections to pick up their readers.

"We give them the physical CAC reader and procedures as to how to install them and configure them for e-mail," she said.

Nunnallee said to use the readers a person must have an Army Knowledge On-Line account. They also must have a six to eight digit personal identification number issued to

them for use with the CAC card. In order to send an encrypted, or secure, e-mail, the person will have to enter the PIN number they chose when being issued the card at the card ID center.

This has been a huge problem, Huffman and Wolfram said. Wolfram said that out of 102 people that came in on a recent Saturday, 67 came back needing PIN resets due to forgotten PIN numbers. This significantly increases the already heavy workload at the center, he said. He said many people who got the new card a year or more ago have forgotten their PIN.

Another glitch Nunnallee and Wolfram said they have noticed is that some people may have a functioning card and reader, but the card was issued without the AKO section installed at the ID card center that issued their card. Wolfram said that since the AKO section takes the longest of any section to be installed

on the chip at the ID center, some ID centers may have been cutting corners initially and skipping putting it on to save time and issue more cards.

Unfortunately, he said, these people now can't send encrypted messages and have to come back and get AKO installed on their card anyway.

To activate the CAC reader, Nunnallee said users simply install software that is found on the post server.

"You just follow the steps and it's pretty simple to install," she said.

Still, between answering questions on their installation and physically going to offices on post to troubleshoot the new readers, Nunnallee said she has been very busy.

"Lately, I'd say 90-percent of my time is CAC questions," she said.

The good news for Nunnallee is that all of the readers have been picked up.

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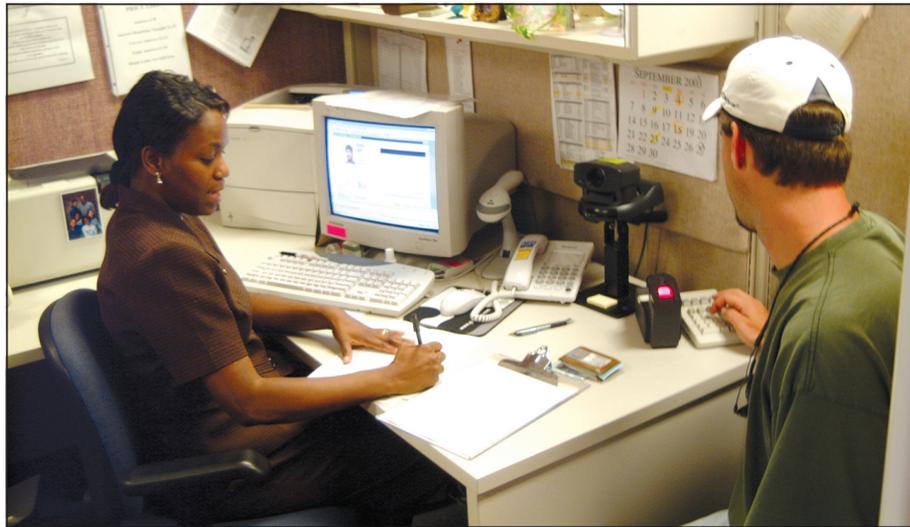


Photo by Sgt. Ryan Matson
Janice Johnson (left), who works at the ID card center in Darling Hall, instructs Thomas Russell, a Department of Defense contractor on post, to insert his PIN number for a new Common Access Card.

Army Reservist receives Bronze Star Medal

Spc. Leslie Pearson
513th Military Intelligence Brigade

Lt. Col. William Duffy, a reservist who's been activated for nearly two years, received the Bronze Star Medal in a ceremony Sept. 12 for his efforts in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom.

"The award has a kind of dignity and honor ascribed to it and Lt. Col. Duffy has soared beyond the criteria required to receive it," said Col. Jon Jones, 513th Military Intelligence Brigade commander.

The Bronze Star Medal is awarded for heroic or meritorious achievement or service while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States; military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force; or while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict against an opposing armed force.

"I can't take credit for this award by myself because there were a lot of other folks who played very key roles throughout many long, hot hours and days to make it all happen," said Duffy.

Duffy has spent nearly two

years deployed to Kuwait with many months spent in Baghdad as brigade Tactical Administrative Center supervisor. During November and December, Duffy was assigned as the deputy commanding officer of the brigade's forward element.

"He kept the brigade on its feet, he kept it focused and together and always moving forward," said Jones. "There were many times when he had to represent me and the brigade and I knew I could rely on him every time."

"When I had missions where I needed to send out the special teams forward and I couldn't go, Lt. Col. Duffy would be my man to send forward to provide that O5 leadership," said Jones.

Jones likened his working relationship with Duffy to a baton handoff, particularly in regards to Duffy's role during a mission the brigade had at the Baghdad International Airport.

"At one point I had to

go elsewhere to take care of other business but I wouldn't go until Lt. Col. Duffy could fall in and take the baton. I had to know that the brigade was being well represented and led

properly at that very important juncture of the brigade's mission. He always did a tremendous job," said Jones.

"For a weekend warrior to show up and be entrusted with

such responsibility is very fulfilling," said Duffy, who's been in the Army for 23 years. "I'm glad I was able to make a difference at this point in my career."



Photo by Spc. Felicia Thompson
Col. Jon Jones (left), 513th Military Intelligence Brigade commander presents Lt. Col. William Duffy with a Bronze Star Medal, Sept. 10, for his efforts in support of Operations Enduring & Iraqi Freedom, as his wife Jody Duffy looks on.

Hicks reflects on past year, sends message of Corps' future

Sgt. Ryan Matson
Military editor

On Aug. 7, 2002, Brig. Gen. Jan Hicks became the 30th chief of the Signal Corps. The U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon commanding general recently completed her first year as the post's leader. On Sept. 11, *The Signal* and *Fort Gordon Report* caught up with Hicks to find out her thoughts on her first year of work and the job she's done so far.

SIGNAL: What do you think the biggest contribution you've made to the post during your first year has been?

HICKS: REGIMENT: I think I've pulled the Signal Regiment closer together, and included our field commanders into decisions about the future of the Signal Corps and Signal Regiment. My personal motto is "What does the Regiment think?" I end my messages to the field with that mantra.

I have a sign that says that on both sides of the door to my office so that the first thing coming in and the last thing going out is that motto. The Regiment is all over the world, with great solutions and great ideas. We do not have the corner market on the future...but the collective ideas of the entire Regiment will allow us to get the future right.

POST: I think the biggest thing for the post is probably the end-of-year dollars I committed last year to upgrading our physical fitness facilities. We had neglected them so long, and the Army's all about fitness and good health. We're getting young men and women into the Army who need some "extra help," if you will, in reaching that fitness. Plus, our gyms are our venues for intramural sports, blood drives, company events, and many other things...so they help us come together as teams and in teamwork.

COMMUNITY: I believe I've reached out to the community in a big way. Feedback has been wonderful and very positive. There's no doubt that community leadership know me, know of my interest in being a good neighbor, and I will continue to be very active in the community.

SIGNAL: What are some things you look forward to accomplishing in the upcoming year? What are your goals for this post?

HICKS: The Garrison Command is making wonderful improvements on the installation. We've seen dramatic changes just in the last several months. I expect the Garrison, under the Installation Management Agency will continue to strongly support Fort Gordon.

We'll be making exciting progress in the initiative to build contracted housing on the installation...mostly planning-type activities in the coming year. I've spoken to three installation commanders (three-star level) about this initiative on their posts and they've all said it's the best thing they've

ever seen, in their careers, for Army families. I'm very excited about seeing this happen here.

SIGNAL: What is the best thing about being the U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon commanding general?

HICKS: I know exactly what it is, and I've thought about it many times and told many people. My office is on the ninth floor of Signal Towers. I get to see the sun come up every morning. I get to hear soldiers marching to and from class in the morning, at lunch, and at the end of the day. There's nothing more inspiring than seeing those young troops, hearing the "sounds of freedom" (their Jody calls), watching the fabulous drill sergeants maneuver their formations. It's just great. Just stick a fork in me when I'm done, because there's no better job in the Army than mine!

Also very gratifying is the ability to influence the future of the Signal Corps and the Signal Regiment, and make a difference in America's youth. A lot of our soldiers will leave the service and become citizens, and I promise every mom and dad, we're sending them back to you in better shape than we got them, not just physically, but in values that we instill in them and everything else. We're reshaping our Army across the force, and we're reshaping the Signal Regiment to support the force. It's very exciting.

SIGNAL: You've returned to Fort Gordon several times during your career. (Her last time stationed here was as the U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon Chief of Staff from 1999-2000.) Out of all the places you've served during your military career, does Fort Gordon have a special place in your feelings?

HICKS: Fort Gordon has a special place in the heart of every member of the Signal Corps and Signal Regiment. It is where 99 percent of us started our Signal training. It's our Signal Regimental home. On a personal note, (my husband) Ron and I have very dear friends in Augusta, so that's extra special about being in Augusta, too.

SIGNAL: The post is facing several challenges at this time. How do you plan to lead the post through these issues?

HICKS: I see two lanes for doing this, military and local. The military lane is up through TRADOC where it's my responsibility to make sure leadership knows of our mission, our value, and our potential for growth. The other is the local lane...where it's the city's and state's responsibility to make sure government leadership



understands the impact, economic and otherwise, of Fort Gordon on the CSRA.

SIGNAL: What are some ways that Fort Gordon is contributing to the Army overall?

HICKS: We might be training this very day one of our future chiefs of Signal and our future Regimental command sergeant major. We are also planning the future of our Signal Corps and how it will support warfighters of the future - enormous contributions. We are also home to a deployable INSCOM MI Brigade and a deployable FORSCOM Signal Brigade...we need to be good enablers of their deployability, and we are.

SIGNAL: What are some ways the Signal Corps is evolving now?

HICKS: In the next year, I think we are going to see a major change in the structure and capabilities of the Signal Corps. We have Afghanistan, the global war on terrorism, Operation Iraqi Freedom (taking place), and lots of commanders, warfighters and combat arms officers have told us that what we fielded about 20 years ago is not what we need today, and we could have told them that 10 years ago - we were telling them that 10 years ago.

Actually 10 years ago, the equipment we had in the Army during Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm was pretty good. But since then, there has been enormous change in what we've seen our warfighters need, and the Army has not been able to afford to make a complete migration toward that new way of doing business. To find yourself in Iraq, however, with Baghdad in your crosshairs, you must have the capabilities you need to fight in that particular environment, and what we've found in that environment is that it's not what we can support in our motor pools.

So we've got a great deal

of momentum right now to reshape, restructure and retool the Signal Regiment. We're going to take some of the older equipment out of those green boxes that we have in every division in the Corps, and pull it out of there - although it's been doing a great job, I promise you - save the box, save the wheels and put new technology in there. We're turning the corner on technology. I think we've got a lot of momentum right now to do that because of the things the Corps has shown in Operation Iraqi Freedom, and that 10th Mountain showed us in Operation Anacanda and other operations in Afghanistan.

So I am really excited and many folks on the Signal Center staff and across the Regiment are as well. Commanders and senior officers in the Regiment are involved in getting the future right.

SIGNAL: You've mentioned on various occasions that one of your main priorities is to strengthen ties between the post and the local community. Do you see this happening? What are some things the post is doing to reach out to the community, and what do you think are some ways of further strengthening the tie?

HICKS: We enjoy a great relationship with the members of the community. Augusta and surrounding communities are strong supporters of America's military, and of course they want Fort Gordon to remain right where it is. We're working closely with the community to strengthen the ties between the two of us.

We have many events in which the city participates, the

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1st Lt. Russell Jones, Capt. Nikette Sowell, and 2nd Lt. Demetrius Howard
67th Signal Battalion

Elements of the 67th Signal Battalion and 235th Signal Company, 56th Signal Battalion deployed to Clark County, Nev., Aug. 18-30, to install, operate, maintain, and defend a Command and Control, Communications and Computers network in support of Joint Task Force-Civil Support's training exercise, Determined Promise '03.

The exercise involved the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Clark County, and more than 900 soldiers in the medical field, administration, military police and signal fields, from active Army, National Guard and reserve units. The purpose of Determined Promise '03 was to train Joint Task Force-Civil Support to plan and execute consequence management operations while supporting a federal agency that might be called up if a contagious biological agent was dispersed in the area.

During the exercise, the 67th Signal Battalion provided nonsecure data, secure data, and long local and tactical voice services to the soldiers stationed in and around Nellis Air Force Base. The 235th Signal Company maintained a satellite link to Fort Detrick, Md., to provide these data and voice services.

Extreme weather caused some difficulties. "On some days, the temperature reached 105 degrees," said Staff Sgt. Showanda Mosley, operations NCO, 67th Signal Battalion.

Another weather-related problem was thunderstorms. During several nights, lightning storms in Nevada and at

various standard tactical entry point sites caused complications and disrupted service.

"One afternoon, lightning struck the STEP [Standard Tactical Entry Point] site at Fort Belvoir (Va.), knocking out all services for two hours; but due to our redundant architecture, we were able to reroute traffic through the Fort Detrick STEP site," said 1st Lt. James Denn, battle captain, 67th Signal Battalion.

Despite these minor issues, the 67th Signal Battalion and 235th Signal Company accomplished the training objectives and many of the soldiers had positive comments about the exercise and communication support. Sgt. 1st Class Johnny

"...Due to our redundant architecture, we were able to reroute traffic..."

Williams, switch systems chief, 67th Signal Battalion, said, "It [the exercise] showed the battalion's capability to respond in a timely manner."

2nd Lt. Demetrius Howard, platoon leader, 67th Signal Battalion, said, "Mostly, our links were stable. We had minor problems like the links taking hits, or the line-of-sight radio antenna needed readjusting. But for the most part, the links were good."

Spec. Aaron Brown, data package operator of 67th Signal Battalion said, "When we go to the field, we don't have subscribers. This was a nice change of pace."

The exercise taught the task

force that the military, along with outside local, federal, and state agencies, could work together for a common purpose.

Many of the subscribers, like Lt. Col. Raygenia Stewart-Budd, medical planner, 2nd Medical Brigade from San Pablo, Calif., praised the 93rd Signal Brigade's soldiers and the communication they provided.

"The communication support was excellent. We really appreciated the attention to keeping e-mail up, since it was our primary source of communication," said Stewart-Budd. "There is no way we could establish and maintain communications with our organic assets."

Additionally, the exercise taught soldiers of the 67th and 235th that they can provide communication support to anyone anywhere in the world while still upholding the 93rd Signal Brigade's technical and tactical reputation for excellence.



Courtesy photo

An AN/TSC-93C from the 235th Signal Company is prominently displayed at the TF-Medical Site at Nellis AFB, Nev. Alpha Company, 67th Signal Battalion, in conjunction with the 235th Signal Company, provided voice and data services to the 2nd Medical Brigade located at TF-Medical.

Army Family Team Building awareness

September is AFTB Awareness Month

Lynn Harshmann
Installation volunteer coordinator

Being able to ask better questions that lead to informative answers is only one of many benefits realized through the Army Family Team Building program.

Army Family Team Building is an awareness program designed to assist family members as they maneuver through the maze sometimes created by military terms and acronyms.

Level One training is similar to basic training for family members without the push-ups. AFTB instructors have been known to begin the first class with "Welcome to the world of the Army; this is the language we speak and these are our customs, courtesies and protocols."

Other topics addressed in Level One training include: Impact of the mission on family life, benefits, entitlements and compensation, and the chain of command and chain of concern. AFTB Level One is offered once every other

month at Fort Gordon.

Management skills are covered in AFTB Level Two. The training was developed to assist Family Readiness Group leaders and others responsible for volunteer management, meetings and group development. Level Two is offered three times a year.

Family members who find themselves in the position of mentor or advisor are encouraged to attend AFTB Level Three. Topics covered include: understanding political issues and the Army, how to plan and conduct a workshop, and personality traits. Level Three is offered at Fort Gordon once a year.

AFTB training helps military family members to become more self-sufficient and self-reliant. Family members who feel comfortable with the military lifestyle and know how to access programs and services, especially during times of separation from their sponsor, are considered to be combat multipliers.

Studies have shown that

during lengthy separations there are fewer health and welfare messages, fewer problems, and fewer accidents both at home and wherever the servicemember is. Servicemembers are better able to concentrate on the mission and return home safely when they are convinced their families are able to cope.

AFTB training offered over the next three months include: Level One, Parts 1 and 2 are scheduled for Oct. 6 and 7 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. both days; Level Two, Parts 1, 2 and 3 will be offered Nov. 3, 10 and 17 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. all three days; and evening Level One training is scheduled for Nov. 4, 5 and 6 from 6-9 p.m. There is no cost for any of the courses. AFTB instructors are volunteers, most of them military family members themselves.

Military units may request training on dates and times more convenient for their family members or cadre.

To register for any of the training, contact Army Community Service at 791-3579 or e-mail harshmal@gordon.army.mil.

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Close call

Barracks fire emphasizes need for fire safety week

Joseph Hamm
Directorate of Public Safety

A recent close call on post has one soldier counting her lucky stars.

A small fire started by a candle caused minor damage in a barracks room. Fortunately, in this case, there was no loss of life.

While this incident was preventable, the question is, how could this have been prevented? As a fire inspector, the answer comes to me immediately: Education!

Does the general public understand the need for education. Does everyone know where or who to turn to for information about fire safety and prevention?

The incident pictured was caused by an unattended candle. Daily, we see fire regulation infractions such as this. Very seldom is it due to an occupant blatantly disregarding regulation. More often, it's a lack of education of the appropriate regulation.

This education and regulation is freely available in USASC&FG Regulation 420-4, Fire Prevention, which outlines fire prevention regulations for Fort Gordon. If you have access to a computer, you can download this regulation at: <http://www.gordon.army.mil/dps/fire/index.htm>, or call 791-1205 for a copy.

Using this incident as an example, the USASC&FG Reg.

420-4 states: "Chapter 10. Draperies and decorations; paragraph b. Burning scented or decorative candles and similar open-flame devices in barracks, bachelor officers' quarters (BOQ), and similar sleeping occupancies is prohibited

except for religious purposes only."

If there is any point that I am attempting to make in this article, it's this: Make yourself familiar with the USASC&FG 420-4 Fire Prevention Regulation. If you have subordinate soldiers or civilian employees, pass the word and make this regulation available to them.

I have talked with many soldiers and civilians on this post. I know I've bored many with my speeches; but when it comes to fire prevention I have no secrets. Let's get the word

out to everyone.

The annual Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 5-11, in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire of 1871. The fire department will conduct displays and special events during the week.

Regardless of when fire prevention week is, it is important for everyone to make the educational process for fire prevention a year-round mission. Remember, when fire strikes: Get Out! Stay Out!

(Hamm is a fire inspector with the fire and emergency services division.)



Photo by John Dukas

A barracks fire caused by an unattended candle caused minor damage recently. Candles and open flames, except for religious purposes, are prohibited in the barracks. Oct. 5-11 is Fire Prevention Week.



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Team approach to suicide prevention

Lt. Col. Jerry Swanner
Department of the Army, Personnel

A young soldier who ran his unit's arms room fell in love with a female officer. She made it clear that she could not have a romantic relationship with the young soldier. Despondent, he went to the arms room, took an M-16 from the shelf, loaded it, and shot himself in the head. During the many years that have passed, I often have wondered about that soldier and the things he missed in life. There would have been another girl; one failed relationship was not worth ending his life. In a moment when he wasn't thinking clearly, he chose a permanent answer to a temporary problem. Suicide is the worst answer to life's problems, but it's a choice some soldiers continue to make.

Between 1997 and 1999, Army suicides increased 27 percent. In 2000, the Army Chief of Staff called suicide a "serious problem" and directed a complete review of the Army Suicide Prevention Program. He called for a campaign that would refine the ASPP, making use of the best-available science and increasing awareness and vigilance.

The offices of the Army G-1, Army Surgeon General, and Chief of Chaplains began evaluating the existing program and later recommended some refinements, which they briefed to the CSA. Although many of the existing program's original concepts were kept, there was a new emphasis that incorporated the CSA's guidance. That guidance evolved into four "pillars" intended to help reduce suicides. Those pillars are:

- Develop positive life-coping skills.
- Encourage help-seeking behavior.
- Maintain constant vigilance.
- Integrate and synchronize unit and community suicide prevention programs.

Coupled with a renewed command interest in suicide prevention, the campaign contributed to the Army's lowest suicide rate on record in 26 years. However, the ASPP would suffer its toughest challenge following the events of September 11th. Increased operations tempo, deployments, combat operations, and uncertainty have increased stress for soldiers and their families. Army suicide rates now are climbing closer to the rates seen in the late 1990s. However, despite the increased stress, those units that have

remained focused on their suicide prevention programs have been able to reduce suicides.

When it comes to saving lives there are many key roles, all of which are vital. These roles are founded upon the basic suicide prevention principles of:

- Recognizing anyone can be at risk for suicide.
- Involving various installation and local community support agencies.
- Believing that most suicides can be prevented.
- Trusting that leadership and training can make a difference and save lives.

Now we'll take a closer look at those roles and give you some checklists to help reduce the suicide risk within your organization.

All soldiers

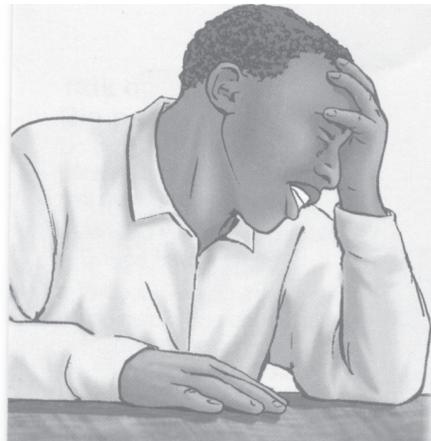
- If you are having a tough time with a personal relationship, financial hardships, think that you are drinking too much, or feeling depressed, talk to someone. Talking to friends, family, "battle buddies," or a trusted agent such as a chaplain or counselor about your problem(s) is a sign of maturity.
- If you ever reach a point in your life when you are thinking about hurting yourself—STOP! Save yourself by seeking help immediately! Do not allow a temporary problem or situation to ruin (or possibly end) your life.

"Buddies"

- Know the warning signs of suicide, including the leading "triggers" or losses that can lead soldiers to consider or commit suicide.
- Take immediate action when you suspect someone is suicidal or when a person admits they are contemplating suicide.

Commanders

- Ensure your unit ministry teams are aware when a soldier is facing marital or relationship problems, the loss of a loved one, pending Uniform Code of Military Justice actions or separation, or financial hardships.
- Ensure all newly assigned soldiers are aware of the location of installation support agencies and know how to get help through them.
- Conduct officer and noncommissioned officer professional development training that focuses on aspects of mental health.
- Ensure that your UMTs have received formal suicide prevention training. This training can be conducted in conjunction with the new Army Suicide Prevention Training Program.
- Ensure that all UMT members



The chaplains office offers Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training, or ASIST, classes throughout the year. Dates are Oct. 21-22, Nov. 18-19, Feb. 3-4, 2004, April 20-21, June 22-23 and Aug. 17-18. Reservations can be made by calling 791-4703 or 791-7421. All classes are held in the Installation Chaplain's Office - Building 29601.

awareness.

- Create an atmosphere of inclusion for all—never ostracize anyone.
- Know the potential triggers for suicide.
- Know the potential warning signs of mental illness.
- Promote the use of available support services.
- Reduce the perceived stigma regarding behavioral health.

UMTs

- Become ASIST T-2 trained.
- Attend formal suicide prevention and awareness training offered through the Office of the Chief of Chaplains.
- Download the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine Resource Manual for Suicide Prevention.
- Keep your commander informed on current suicide statistics and demographics. Explain the high-risk categories to commanders.

Behavioral health professionals

- Ensure your 91X mental health specialists are ASIST T-2 trained.
- Work closely with chaplains when addressing the overall welfare of soldiers under your care.
- Offer OPD and NCOPD classes on basic mental health.
- Pursue opportunities to make services and counselors more available and accessible.

Installation suicide prevention standing committees

- Establish a suicide prevention program specifically tailored for your installation.
- Help the installation and local commanders implement their suicide prevention programs.
- Track the percentage of all assigned chaplains who have received formal suicide prevention training.
- Ensure that commanders and senior NCOs are aware of local support agencies and how to refer soldiers who need help.
- Ensure there are enough behavioral health personnel to meet the needs of the installation and that someone is always available for crisis intervention or assessment.
- Ensure that commanders are provided timely feedback from support agencies concerning the effectiveness of their soldiers' treatment.
- Encourage stress management programs for soldiers and family members, especially during times of increased OPTEMPO or deployments.
- Track the number of ASIST T-4 and T-2 level crisis intervention-trained personnel on post.
- Review and publicize emergency procedures available to all soldiers and family members, such as crisis hotlines and suicide awareness cards.
- Ensure newly assigned soldiers are briefed on installation support agencies during in-processing.
- Ensure dependent school personnel are trained to identify and refer for help individuals at risk for suicide.
- Establish procedures for creating and using an installation suicide response team or other critical event debriefing team.

have been through the Living Works Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training two-day workshop. Ensure that all leaders understand how to use ASIST-trained individuals to determine the risk of suicide for their soldiers.

- Promote help-seeking behavior as a sign of strength.
- Develop well-defined procedures for registering and storing privately owned weapons.
- Know if your soldiers have access to personal firearms at their place of residence.
- Ensure any guardsmen or reservists attached to your unit for deployment have received suicide prevention training before deployment.
- Limit the use of the command interest profile (formerly known as the suicide watch). Only use under the advice of a behavioral health professional or when local emergency services are not available.

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To help you implement the Army's new Suicide Prevention Campaign, the Army G-1 has formed a team of chaplains and behavioral health professionals that are available for staff assistance visits. These visits range from conducting formal suicide prevention training to junior leaders, major subordinate command commanders, and command sergeants major, to consultation visits with installation suicide prevention committees. To arrange a staff assistance visit contact the ASPP manager, Lt. Col. Jerry Swanner, at jerry.swanner@hqda.army.mil or call (703) 614-7946, DSN 224-7946.

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A day in the life of... A 25R (visual information equipment operator/maintainer)

Sgt. Ryan Matson
Military editor

They call them "the people behind the scenes." But without 25Rs, you wouldn't be able to see your favorite program on television or listen to the radio.

"Anyone who likes cameras, or the television or radio industry is a good candidate for our MOS," Pfc. Lawrence Boyd, 518th Signal Company, 93rd Signal Brigade said.

"If you don't have the talent to be a singer or actor, but like helping out in the limelight, this is a good fit!"

A 25R is a visual information equipment operator/maintainer, which means they are the people for operating and fixing television and AM/FM equipment.

Boyd and Sgt. Joel Gascot, both 518th Signal Company, 93rd Signal Brigade, are 25Rs. They explained what their MOS is like.

"The best place to work in our MOS is overseas," Gascot, who worked for a Signal unit in Belgium as part of Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, and in Korea as part of the American Forces Network. Gascot said while in Belgium he was responsible for setting up video teleconferences, maintaining a closed circuit television studio and installing and repairing television cable.

Here in the states, Boyd said one of the primary roles of a 25R is setting up VTCs. A VTC is a method of communication in which two or more people position themselves in front of a high-end web camera to communicate through a monitor. VTCs enable the people involved to be able to not only hear the person they are talking to, but to see that person and their reactions as well. Boyd said the form of communication is becoming increasingly popular with commanders.

"You don't have to hop on a plane to see everyone anymore," he said. "VTCs provide a more personal, secure and professional means of communicating."

Gascot has been a 25R for five years, and been in the Army for eight. He started his military career as a 13B, or field artillery soldier, but switched to 25R after completing his first enlistment.

"At the time, the MOS offered a bonus, and I wanted to have a profession with a civilian equivalent," he explained. "It's a great field to be in."

Boyd has been in the Army for two years, and originally toyed with the idea of being a 25M, or

212 ways to be a Soldier



Photo by Sgt. Ryan Matson

Pfc. Lawrence Boyd (foreground) and Sgt. Joel Gascot watch themselves on a video teleconference monitor the two had just set up. Boyd and Gascot work as 25Rs, or visual information equipment operator/maintainers.

multi-media illustrator, because he had received his associate's degree in multimedia/web design prior to enlisting in the Army.

"I got into the 25R MOS because I wanted to intertwine the graphics and production side of communications," he said.

After completing basic training, a soldier begins the journey to becoming a 25R by attending advanced individual training, or training focused specifically on the skills a soldier needs to learn his or her job.

The AIT for the 25R MOS is conducted at the Defense Information School in Fort Meade, Md., and is a lengthy course, spanning 30 weeks. This is because of the wide variety of equipment a 25R is required to fix and operate, Boyd and Gascot said. Boyd said students learn basic television, electronics and video maintenance in AIT.

The course starts with students learning the EFC, or electronics fundamentals course, Gascot said.

"You learn how resistors, capacitors, and other electronic components all work together on sound and editing boards," he said.

"You also learn BTM, or basic television maintenance," Boyd chimed in. "You learn how TV and audio signals are transmitted and work with actual production equipment such as mixers, cameras, monitors and VTRs (video tape recorders)."

"Any piece of equipment in a radio or television studio, we learn how to fix and use," Gascot added.

In the audio segment of AIT, Boyd said students made their own 30-minute broadcast. Gascot said AIT also included learning a lot of things incorporated in other MOSs, such as microwave transmissions, which 31Ps work with.

The AIT may be interesting, but it is also challenging, both Boyd and Gascot agreed.

"AIT was very hard," Boyd said. "There were many blocks they referred to as 'the widowmakers.' They'd weed you out!"

Both soldiers had different aspects of the MOS they said they enjoyed. To Gascot, it was the travel.

"The best thing is getting to go a lot of different places," he said. "In Europe we went TDY (temporary duty assignment) all the time and go to different places and work with different people. We went to some really fun places. A lot of people join the Army to go places, and in this MOS, we get to."

He added he also enjoyed the people he worked with.

"Most places we go are really professional," he said. "The people are working to put out a broadcast that has to meet Federal Communications Commission broadcast standards."

Gascot also said 25Rs have the opportunity to work with members of other branches of the military.

For Boyd, working in a television studio is a favorite.

"I like to be working in the studio, I like working with the cameras, and the ability to be creative when editing video and doing things like that," he said.

Gascot offered advice to up and coming soldiers aspiring to a career in the 25R MOS.

"You have to be technically minded," he said. "You also need to be a personable person, because you need to deal with the military and the public."

The two also talked about some of the challenges of the MOS.

"Getting promoted can be difficult," Gascot admitted. "It's a small MOS, there's only a little over 200 of us in the active Army and Reserves, so the cut-off score is 798."

The pair said there are a variety of opportunities for someone trained in the 25R MOS when he/she leaves the Army.

"If you go to the civilian side, you can get to work on the same advanced equipment we learned to use in AIT, like the AVID, a digital editing machine used by movie companies," Gascot said. Boyd added that modern radio

equipment is also digital now, and the opportunity exists for someone trained in the 25R MOS to work on such equipment once they leave the Army.

Boyd said any type of television studio work is open to a 25R.

"You could even open up your own TV repair shop or electronics repair shop," he said.

Gascot added to the list of possibilities.

"You could work for a production company, a radio news station, or anything that has to do with visual information," he said. "You could work with security cameras, fix big radio transmitter towers, anything like that."

Both Boyd and Gascot are already focusing on clear future goals in the field.

Boyd aspires to becoming a production manager for a television news station, and Gascot plans to get his certification from the Society of Broadcast Engineers, and go on to work for a movie production company such as Lucas Arts.

So even though the pair may never become movie stars, there couldn't be movie stars without people like them.

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Theatre produces *Odd Couple*

Denise Allen
Signal staff

C. Michael Bethune doesn't have to act much to be like the character he plays in Fort Gordon Dinner Theatre's latest production. "With me, Felix is not very hard. I'm meticulous around the house," said Bethune, who plays Felix Unger in Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple." "The Odd Couple" has been on Broadway, was on the big screen featuring Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau, and was the subject of a television show with a five-year run in primetime ABC with Jack Klugman and Tony Randall.

"The Odd Couple" is the story of two men going through divorces and the hilarity that results when the overly tidy Unger moves in with the sloppy sportswriter Oscar Madison, played by Barry Wolk in this adaptation.

"This is not a show people have asked for, but it's a very funny show loaded with laugh lines," said Steve Walpert, dinner theater director.

There's not a lot new that the cast can bring to the familiar story; however, the actors feel the audience will enjoy their presentation.

"They have a frame of reference," said Wolk. "It's just as funny as it was on TV."

The tried and true tale of opposites forming a team and the problems they face along the way continues to work.

"It has a great warmth - the friendships of these two guys," said Walpert. The relationship mimics a marriage in the way they get on each other's nerves.

Neil Simon's works have always been popular productions by the dinner theater, Walpert said.

"I thought we would go to

one we hadn't seen in a while," he said.

And that move was a good one, he said.

"We're practically sold out the first two weekends," he said.

There's no chance of extending the show's run. After the curtain comes down on "The Odd Couple," it will be time to prepare for the next production - Agatha Christie's "The Mouse Trap."

"The Odd Couple" will be presented at Fort Gordon Dinner Theatre tonight, Saturday, Thursday, Friday and Sept. 27. Dinner begins at 7 p.m. followed by the play at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$30 for civilians, \$28 for senior citizens, retirees, Department of the Army civilians and active duty E-8 and above, \$17 for active duty E-7 and below, and \$12 for the show only. For reservations, call 793-8552.



Photo by Denise Allen

C. Michael Bethune (as Felix Unger) tries to eliminate the cigar and cigarette odors generated during a poker game in "The Odd Couple." Objecting poker players from left are Richard Belles (who plays Speed), Dr. Barry Wolk (Oscar Madison), Ted Newton (Vinnie) and James Dean (Roy). The Odd Couple plays through Sept. 27 at the Fort Gordon Dinner Theatre.

Hicks

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biggest and most recent of which was the 4th of July bash. We have a post open to members of the community to use our recreation and club facilities...and we want them to come to Fort Gordon and use them.

We sponsor schools throughout the community, and the soldiers volunteering with community services and

charities are too many to count. We had large participation by the community when we deployed the 93rd Signal Brigade and 513th MI Brigade soldiers, and strong support when we brought them home.

We enjoy many "specials" in the community during which troops receive discounts and deals. We are very

fortunate to live in a community that loves us, wants us to stay here, and we have a very significant impact on the area, over a billion dollars a year, so there's health and welfare involved for the entire CSRA. The community reaches out to Fort Gordon and to the Armed Forces and that makes us feel very welcome here.

SIGNAL: Looking over the horizon, what would be the one thing that you'd most like to be remembered for?

HICKS: I'd like to be remembered as a commander who cared about people, who cared about quality of life, who spent her energies on important things that improved the workplace and helped make people successful.



Photo by Maj. Tina Schreiner

Attention

Capt. John Dismar (left) relinquished command of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 93rd Signal Brigade, to Capt. Glenn Robertson (right) Sept. 12, during a change of command ceremony on Barton Field. Col. Nathaniel Smith (center, facing front), brigade commander, 93rd Signal Brigade, passed the company's command responsibility to Robertson.



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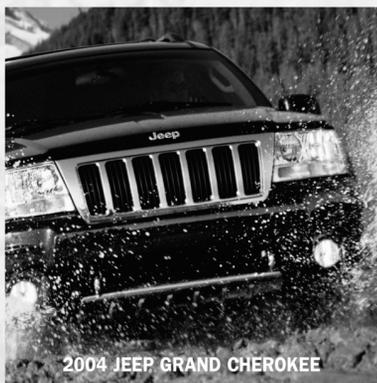




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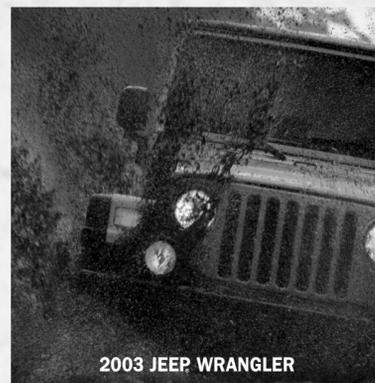
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Community Events

EWC fall membership drive

The Fort Gordon Enlisted Wives Club is holding its Fall Membership Drive at Quarters #6, Maglin Terrace at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

If you are interested in supporting an organization with numerous community projects/activities, please come out and get involved. The membership is open to everyone; activities include refreshments and door prizes.

For more information call Ginny Terry, 790-5126 or Rosemary Marshall, 791-2675.

Job fair

Army Community Service and the Army Career and Alumni Program are having Job Fair 2003 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Oct. 1 at the Army Reserve Center, Building 14401. More than 70 employers, both locally and nationwide, will be at the fair. A list of employers is available at ACS or ACAP. Call 791-7333 or 791-7356 for information.

Barney live

Barney the dinosaur live stage show is 7 p.m. Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 at the Augusta/Richmond County Civic Center. The show features classic Barney songs and elaborate-colorful sets. Tickets range from \$10-\$30 and are available at all Ticketmaster locations. For information, go to www.hitnewsonline.com.

Oktoberfest

The Fort Gordon Oktoberfest is Oct. 2-5 at Barton Field and Freedom Park. Activities include a craft show, carnival rides, children's activities, German food and entertainment, a car and motorcycle show, and more. The event is open to the public and admission is free. For information, call 791-7862.

Flea market

The Officers' Wives' Club fall flea market is 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 4 at Barton Field. Call 481-8065.

Car show

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers is holding its first-ever car show from 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Oct. 4 at Barton Field.

Car entry is \$35. For information, call Spc. Ariane Gonzalez at 791-7862.

Greek festival

There is a Greek festival Oct. 3-5 at 10th and Telfair streets in Augusta, featuring Greek music, food, pastries and a bazaar. Admission is free. Call 724-1087 for information.

Retiree day

Fort Gordon will hold Retiree Day activities Oct. 10.

Activities include information booths and speakers about health care, pay and other retiree issues, a briefing on the future of Fort Gordon, and a dinner at the Gordon Club. Reservations for the dinner are due by Sept. 26. For information, call Richard Lechnir at 791-2654.

Pledge rally

This event will promote the Boys and Girls Club of America's Goals for Graduation academic goal-setting program. The rally is 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the Youth Services Building.

For information, go to www.gordon.army.mil/liasvc

Fire safety week

The Fort Gordon Fire Department is hosting 2003 Fire Prevention Week Oct. 5-11. The theme for 2003 is;

"When Fire Strikes: Get Out, Stay Out!" For information about Fire Prevention Week, contact the fire department at 791-1206 or 791-4141.

Hispanic month

The Hispanic Heritage Month Command Program is 1:30 p.m. Oct. 2 in Alexander Hall.

The guest speaker is David Casas, Georgia General Assembly representative for the 68th District. Casa is also the Georgia House liaison to the Governor's task force on Hispanic Affairs.

For information, call Sgt. 1st Class Greg Pair at 791-6082.

Farmers market moves

The farmers market has moved to Sixth and Reynolds streets. The market is from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays, and will be held Saturdays through Oct. 25. Call Mary Killen at 722-8000.

School workshop

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

Child care class

Registration for new applicants to become a Family Child Care Provider is 9 a.m.-noon daily Oct. 6-10 in Building 45400. The training starts Oct. 20. For more information, call 791-3993/4440.

Volunteer fest

The Fall Volunteer Harvest is 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sept. 29 at the Gordon Terrace Ballroom of the Gordon Club. For more information contact Army Community Service at 791-3579 or e-mail harshmal@gordon.army.mil.

Soldier show tryouts

Audition tapings for the Soldier Show are 6-8:30 p.m. Oct. 14 at the Fort Gordon Performing Arts Center. For information or to schedule an audition, call Steve Walpert at 791-4389.

Gospel workshop

The Voices of Faith and Fort Gordon presents a Gospel Music Workshop Oct. 1-3 in the Signal Theater. The workshop concludes with a free concert featuring famed gospel recording artist Kurt Carr and the Kurt Carr Singers at 6 p.m. Oct. 3 in Alexander Hall. Seating is limited. Call 833-6158 for information.

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: Couples Empowerment Workshop-Topic: Managing Stress Through Interpersonal Communication

Friday: Parenting Skills Workshop-Topic: Parents Getting a Head Start Against Drugs

For information call 791-0794/4718.

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.

Story hour

Woodworth Library hosts story hour each Wednesday from 11 a.m.-noon.

Children of active and retired military, and DoD civilians are invited to participate. The program is designed for children ages 2

through 5.

Volunteer readers are also needed for story hour. For information, call Liz Knight or Joyce Daniels at 791-7323.

CGSC classes

The 11th Battalion, 198th Div (IT) will begin Command General Staff Officers Course classes in October. Phases 1 and 3 will be offered at Fort Discovery in Augusta.

Students must be a promotable captain, major or lieutenant colonel on active duty in the Army Reserve or National Guard. Students must have completed the Officer Advance Course and the Combined Arms Staff Services School.

For information or to enroll, call Lt. Col. Bradley Link at 791-7999 or (803) 643-0051.

Art show

The Morris Museum of Art is featuring *A Century of Progress: Twentieth Century Painting in Tennessee* 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.

Tuition assistance

The Army Tuition Assistance Program provides soldiers assistance with tuition fees for college classes.

The Army will pay up to \$250 per semester hour for a post-secondary course. Soldiers may be eligible for payment of some fees over and above the tuition rate. However, total benefits cannot exceed the established rate of \$250 per semester hour. The total tuition assistance benefits per individual for FY 03 can not exceed \$4,500.

To find out more about the use of TA, call 791-2000.

PIE meetings set

Parent Information Exchange 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.

The program manager is available for individual appointments or walk-ins and can provide individual assistance by appointment or walk-in. In the ACS lobby, job books are available containing recent recruitment actions notices of local businesses.

For more information, call 791-3579.

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 791-4872/4718.

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.

Officers' Wives' Club

Fall Flea Market

Oct. 4

9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Barton Field

Space sales will be held at the main Post Exchange from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sept. 19, 20, 26, 27, and Oct. 1 and 3, or at the Fort Gordon Thrift Shop 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Spaces are \$25, \$35 and \$45 (\$15 for E-4 and below).

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For movie listings and times, call 791-3982.

Sept. 19-21

Today - Bend it Like Beckham (PG-13)
Saturday - Freaky Friday (PG)
Late show - Uptown Girls (PG-13)
Sunday - Freaky Friday (PG)

Note: Attendance at Fort Gordon's movie theater is strictly limited to authorized Post Exchange patrons.

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Afghan quilts stitch unity

Gary Sheftick
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — A woman raised in Afghanistan who spent eight months stitching two large 9-11 quilts presented them to Soldiers at the Pentagon Sept. 11.

"I just wanted to do something positive so they don't think all Muslims are crazy," said Razia Jan, a native of Kabul who is now a tailor in Duxbury, Mass.

Woven into the quilts are squares with the photographs and biographies of the 184 who died when an airliner struck the Pentagon Sept. 11, 2001.

"Just looking at these quilts, I know how much love must have gone into making them," said Chief Warrant Officer 5 Donald Tabron, who accepted the quilts on behalf of the Army. Tabron, an MH-47E Chinook pilot from the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, was awarded the Silver Star Sept. 10 for his actions in Afghanistan during Operation Anaconda last year.

Four other Silver Star recipients and a soldier who earned the Bronze Star with V device for valor in Iraq joined Tabron in the Pentagon Memorial Chapel. All six hugged Razia and thanked her for the quilts.

The quilts will first be displayed in the museum for the Women in Military Service to America — or WIMSA — memorial, according to an Army spokeswoman. One quilt bears the screened photos and bios of the 126 service members and civilian employees in the



Cpl. Jeremiah C. Olsen, who earned a Silver Star in Afghanistan, hugs Razia Jan as Chief Warrant Officer 5 Donald Tabron looks on beneath the Pentagon Chapel's 9-11 stained glass memorial.

Photo by Aaron Westbrook

Pentagon who died. The other quilt honors the victims who perished aboard American Airlines Flight 77 which terrorists plunged into the Pentagon.

Jan said she began stitching the quilts in January and worked on them in the mornings before heading to her tailoring and dry cleaning shop in Duxbury. She finished stitching the quilts just two days before the presentation and made hurried arrangements to travel to the Pentagon so she could present them on the second anniversary of the terrorist attack.

The quilts were presented in the Pentagon Memorial Chapel in front of a 9-11

stained glass pane dedicated just hours earlier. The Pentagon's Deputy Chief of Chaplains Col. Maurie Campbell prayed that the spirit of unity symbolized by the making of the quilts would help "stitch us together."

The two quilts were not the first stitched by Jan, who was born in Kabul and came to the United States as a teenager to study at Lesley College and then Harvard. She made a 390-square-foot quilt honoring the New York City firemen who were killed in the World Trade Center towers. She also stitched a quilt for the New York Port Authority workers and policemen killed in the September 11th attacks.

"I was sitting in Brooklyn and I saw it," Jan said of the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center. "I couldn't forget it."

The first thing Jan did was make two dozen fleece blankets for the rescue workers sifting through the rubble at the Trade Center site. The response and appreciation for the blankets was so great she solicited donations and made 360 more blankets for rescue workers.

"I don't know how I did it," Jan said about making all the blankets. "It broke my back."

It didn't stop her, though, from stitching quilts to memorialize those who died in the attacks.

Love is not a feeling

Chaplain (Capt.) Doug Lax
369th Signal Battalion

Have you ever been confronted with the question of what love is? Many soldiers and their potential spouses come to my office seeking to make sure that they know what love is. They are about to be married and they want a confidence boost to know that they are being loved.

Love is not a feeling. Love is a decision of commitment. Love, the feeling, comes after love, the decision. Our culture has been greatly influenced by our national media outlets to define love as the feeling. You don't get very far on this decision-making process based on the feeling of love. There exists tangible benchmarks to measure love, the decision.

Love, the decision or commitment, can be measured in many ways: how they treat people who are economically or socially below them; how they treat their peers; and

how they present themselves to their superiors.

A person's priorities can be seen not in the amount of money in a checking account, but rather the checkbook register reveals that person's focus or priorities. Do they spend all on themselves, save for goals or budget wisely and disperse funds in a balanced manner to assist others? Is the person generous? Is he/she courteous? Does this person seek first for him or herself or take care of others first? Do they act the same at work as they do at home? Are you treated as a full partner?

This may not be the perfect system of evaluation, but it is a start at learning about a person's character and future potential at being a spouse. Remember, "how a person is before the wedding is how they will be after the wedding."

The Apostle Paul defined love, the decision, best in his writing of I Corinthians 13. Read and learn for yourself what love really is!

Family Life class

The installation chaplain office offers the course Family Life according to the Bible from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Sundays at the Religious Education Center, Building 39709.

The nine-week course begins Oct. 5. Topics include:

- Respecting and honoring family members.
- Blessing your children.
- Worshipping God together.
- What does it mean to submit?
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Other classes are also available for pre-school, elementary, middle and high school students.

This is part of the post-wide Sunday school. For information, call 791-4703.

Drill sergeant spotlight

Name: Staff Sgt. Trevor Streaty

Unit: Company C, 73rd Ordnance Battalion

Hometown: Columbus, Ohio

Time at Fort Gordon: Two years

What do you enjoy about being a DS? I enjoy training civilians into soldiers.

What do you want to accomplish in the Army? I would like to continue to grow and develop in the military until I reach the top and then retire.



Staff Sgt. Streaty

CAC

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"The system is pretty much in place now," she said.

Huffman said she does not know how many of the new cards need to be issued, because she's not sure how many soldiers and people arriving on post from other places were already issued the new cards.

Equipment to make the new cards arrived in February 2002, Huffman said. She said initially there were problems working with the new equipment, such as the system overloading and taking a long time (up to 45 minutes) to issue a card.

"We've worked out a lot of these problems," Huffman said. "Now the average time for a card is around 10 to 15 minutes."

This does not include the waiting time, she said.

The ID card center has five stations capable of issuing the new cards and is open from 7:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. every day but Thursday, when it remains open until 5:30 p.m. When the doors close, the staff stays until the re-

maining people in line are served, Huffman said. Wolfram said the center issues an average of 150 ID cards per day, and more than 3,000 monthly.

Some students in training also receive cards at Room 191, where there are two machines that can install CAC information and print the cards, Wolfram said.

However, these are only the students who have lost, stolen or mutilated cards and need another for some reason. Typically, he said these soldiers would not get the new ID card until arriving at their first duty station.

Wolfram said any person who loses his/her ID must get a form at the military police station to receive a new one. One reason for this is because a small number of individuals whose cards had been confiscated for shoplifting at the post exchange had later tried to obtain new cards at the ID card center, Huffman said.

Even though the ID card center has always been a

busy place, Huffman said there is a light at the end of the tunnel.

"Once we complete the initial issuance, lines should go back to normal and it should be easier to get an ID card," she said. "Plus these new CAC cards are good for three years."

Huffman also pointed out that retirees and family members do not need to get the new cards. And she said the staff at the ID card center is working extra long hours to catch up. She said if a unit requests it, the staff will come in on Saturday to issue cards.

"If a unit wants to set up a special time on weekends to get cards, they need to call me at 791-2914 or Mr. Wolfram at 791-1958," Huffman said.

Until everybody has a new card, and it functions together with the CAC card readers, both the ID card center and DOIM are likely to remain particularly busy.

"I hope it'll be over soon!" Nummalie laughed.

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur

The Jewish Holy Days of Rosh Hashanah (New Year) begin Sept. 26, at sundown and end Sept. 28. Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) is the highest holy day in the Jewish religious observance. It begins at sunset Oct. 5 and ends Oct. 6 at sundown.

There are no Jewish services on post. For service times in the local area, Jewish personnel may call the following synagogues:

Conservative: Adas Yeshurun Synagogue, 935 Johns Road, 733-9491.

Orthodox: Chabad of Augusta, Broad Street, 722-7659.

Reformed: Walton Way Temple Congregation Children of Israel, 3005 Walton Way Extension, 736-3140.

For information, call Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James Snyder at 791-2539.

Chapel Call

Collective Protestant Services

Sunday

9:00 a.m. • Liturgical Service, Bicentennial Chapel
9:00 a.m. • Gen "X" Soldiers Service, Friendship Chapel
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

Catholic Services

11:45 a.m. Monday thru Friday, Eisenhower Army Med Ctr. Chapel
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

8:30 a.m., 10 a.m., Good Shepherd Chapel
11:45 a.m. Eisenhower Army Medical Center Chapel

Jewish Activities

Holy Day Services, Announced
Jewish Activities Center, Bldg. 38804
Daily and Sabbath service available off-post for Jewish personnel
For information call 791-3959

Islamic Services

Jumah Prayer Service on Fridays Oct-Apr at 1230-1:30, and Apr-Oct from 1:30-2:30.

These are held in Bldg. 38804, Academic Drive.

For more information, call CPO (Ret.) Marshall Abuwi 772-4303

Denominational Services

LDS Service - Sunday 2 p.m., Barnes Avenue Chapel
Samoan Service, Sunday 1 p.m., Bicentennial Chapel, Bldg. 28414

Religious Education

Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Protestant Sunday School, Religious Education Center
Sunday, 11:00 a.m., Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) Classes, Religious Education Center (Sept. thru May).

Other Programs/Services

Episcopalian Soldier Representative is Kurt Miller at 791-0213
LDS representative is Sergeant 1st Class (retired) Scott Robison, 533-0376. Apostolic Pentecostal's representatives are Chaplain Brewster, 791-4683, or Chaplain Snyder, 791-2539

Bible Studies

OCF Bible Study - Monday 6:30 a.m., Officer Christian Fellowship Bible Study, Friendship Chapel, 791-2056. Friday evening OCF POC is Col. Hook, 863-8231, or Capt. Craft, 364-5144.

Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Protestant Women of the Chapel, Bldg. 28414
Bicentennial Chapel

Wednesday, 11:30 a.m., Devotional Luncheon, Bicentennial Chapel, Bldg. 28414
Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., Protestant Women of the Chapel, Bldg. 28414

Wednesday 11:45 a.m. EAMC Bible Study, DDEAMC Din. Fac. Conf. Rm., 3rd floor
Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. Bldg. 39713, Faith Community Bible Study

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Friendship Chapel Bible Study
Thursday, 11:30 a.m. 63rd & 67th SIG BN Bible Study, Contact Chaplain

Chapel Directory

Bicentennial Chapel, 791-3959
Good Shepherd Chapel (Chapel 9), 791-2945
Faith Community Chapel Activities 791-2056 (during duty hours)
Barnes Avenue Friendship Chapel, 791-2056
Eisenhower Army Medical Center Chapel, 787-6667

Religious Education

Protestant Program, Mr. Randall Dillard 791-4703
Catholic Program, Mrs. Frances Simpson, 791-2945

For additional information, call 791-4683 the Installation Chaplain's Office, Building 29601

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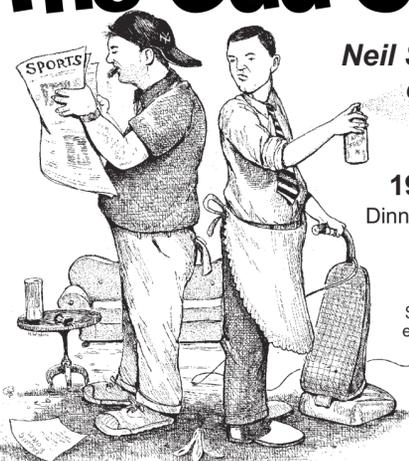
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Kids' Shooting Day - September 27 is "National Hunting & Fishing Day", and to celebrate, kids will shoot free! Hunter education instructors will provide shooting instructions. Sponsored by the Fort Gordon Sportsman's Club.

FISHING - Kids' Fishing Derby...September 27, 8-11:30 a.m. at Claypit Lakes. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and fishing begins at 8 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place in each of four age groups for the most pounds of fish caught. Free t-shirts for the first 300 kids! Free hot dogs and sodas will be available to each participant. Kids need to bring their own fishing pole (limit of one fishing pole per child).

Take A Soldier Fishing Day...September 28. Sponsored by the Fort Gordon Sportsman's Club. Free fishing day at Butler Reservoir. No license required for that day. Reservation must be made in advance.



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Sports UPDATE

Run for the woods

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

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

For 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.

10K Turkey Trot race coming

WJBF NewsCHANNEL 6 is hosting a Turkey Trot and Fun Run **Nov. 23**. All category first-place runners and turkey costume winners will receive a 19-inch television. Races will start in front of WJBF studios. The Fun Run begins at 12:15 p.m. and the 10K Turkey Trot begins at 1 p.m. Early bird registration is available on www.active.com.

All proceeds benefit the Greater Augusta Sports Council. For more information, contact Melissa Canady at 828-7211.

Christmas House golf tournament

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

Check-in is 10-11 a.m.; a lunch buffet is 10:30-11:45 a.m.; and a noon shotgun start.

Cost is \$35, payable 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 by **Oct. 3**.

Tee times

The Fort Gordon ladies golf association tees off at 9 a.m. beginning in October at the Gordon Lakes golf course. For information call Pauline Blandeburgo at 863-3747.

Veteran's Association golf tournament

The Augusta Veterans Association is hosting a golf tournament **Oct. 13** at Gordon Lakes golf course.

The tournament will follow the four-person Lauderdale (scramble) format and will have a 12:45 p.m. start. The Peoria system will be in effect.

The cost is \$30 for Gordon Lakes golf course members and \$40 for all others. The entry price includes a lunch buffet starting at 11:30 a.m. Prizes including closest to the pin will be awarded following the tournament.

To enter, call Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Millward at 791-5913 or e-mail millward@gordon.army.mil.

2003 Broad Street Ramble race is Saturday

The 2003 SRP Federal Credit Union Broad Street Ramble will take place Saturday.

There will be five separate races throughout the morning, including a two mile run starting at 7:30 a.m., a half-mile run starting at 8 a.m., a 10K run starting at 8:15 a.m., a one-mile kids run (16 and under) starting at 9:45 a.m. and a Tot Trot, starting at 10 a.m.

Participants can register Friday from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Augusta Museum of History, or online at Active.com. Runners can register on race day from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. The fees are as follows: \$8 for the 1/2 mile kids run, \$10 for the one mile fun run, \$15 for the 10K road race, and \$10 for the two-mile run. The Tot Trot is free.

The 10K course is a U.S. Track and Field certified course and is run completely on asphalt, starting at the Museum of History at 560 Reynolds St. in downtown Augusta. The course, which is run almost entirely on Augusta's scenic Broad Street, is fast with no major hills. The race is a Peachtree qualifier. All finishers will be mailed a results card with their finish time.

Among the several hundred participants in this years race will be the 2003 Army 10-Miler team from Fort Gordon.

After the race, the Arts in the Heart of Augusta arts festival, showcasing the visual and performing arts, will be taking place. The festival takes place at the Augusta Common and Riverwalk and runs until Sept. 21.

For more information on the Broad Street Ramble, check out the race web page on augustastriders.org.

Americans soar at world sky-diving championships



Members of the Golden Knights, the Army sky-diving team, seen in action.

Staff Sgt. Mellissa Novakovich
Army News Service

GAP, France – The U.S. Parachute Team won a silver and three bronze medals at the 2003 World Skydiving Championships in Gap, France, Sept. 13.

The Golden Knights Four-Way Formation Skydiving Team, composed of Sgts. 1st Class John Hoover, Kurt Isenberger, Eric Heinsheimer, Chris Talbert and Talmadge Hunter, videographer, captured the silver medal with a total of 214 points.

U.S. women's accuracy team spotted the bronze. Army skydivers Sgt. 1st Class Elisa Feldt and Sgts. Angela Nichols and Cheryl Stearns were joined by Air Force pilot Maj. Stacie Schorzman and Nancy Lariviere to represent America.

The four-way discipline was judged by how many times a team can perform a specific set of geometrical formations in 35 seconds of freefall. Each formation equals one point. Two points were deducted for incomplete formations and improper

handgrips.

"Time and memory is key to this event," said Hoover, FST team leader.

The Olympic-class competition saw U.S., France and Norway vying for the gold medal.

The U.S. team led the meet in round one with a 17-point jump while France followed with 16 points. By round five the U.S. team fell five behind field leader France.

In round six the Americans rallied with a 35-point round, only to be out done by the French's 37-point leap.

By the seventh round of the competition, the U.S. and France teams pulled away from the rest of the field. By round ten, the scores settled with France earning the gold medal with a final score of 229-214.

Norway won the bronze medal podium with 206 points.

"The French had unbelievable scores, we did well, but fell way short of their postings," Hoover said.

The accuracy competition tested the women's team's ability to land in the center of a target the size of a quarter.

The U.S. team logged in a total score of .62 centimeters

to capture the bronze. The gold medal winning Chinese team completed the eight-round event with .31 centimeters and Russia took silver with .35 centimeters.

The medal put an end to the U.S. Women's Skydiving Team's nearly 30 year dry spell.

The women also earned the overall Style and Accuracy bronze medal.

Feldt, the current U.S. National Champion, also brought home the overall bronze for her individual scores in the Style and Accuracy events. This was her best finish at an Olympic-class meet.

Nichols and Feldt looked to their most seasoned teammate and team captain, Cheryl Stearns, for advice on how to handle the rigors of competition.

Stearns, a 21-time national champion, didn't let her teammates down, consistently coming within two centimeters of the target.

Now the Golden Knights are training for the U.S. Skydiving Championships in Lake Wells, Fla. next month.

(Novakovich is a writer for the U.S. Army Parachute Team.)

Army opens Conference USA play opposite Tulane

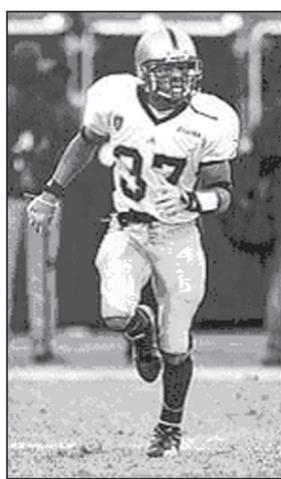
Four-game homestand continues; Black Knights search for first win

Army's prolonged season opening four-game homestand continues on Saturday as the Black Knights host Tulane in a regionally televised contest. Army, which has defeated the Green Wave each of the last three seasons, remains in search of its first victory of the season following losses to Connecticut (48-21) and Rutgers (36-21) to begin the year. Tulane, meanwhile, posted one of the more impressive victories in the program's recent history last week, rallying from a 14-point deficit in the final five minutes to stun Mississippi State 31-28. The upset win snapped a 24-game losing streak to Southeastern Conference members and marked the Green Wave's first triumph over an SEC school since 1989. After opening the 2002 campaign with nine consecutive losses, Army dealt bowl-bound Tulane a 14-10 setback in the Louisiana Superdome last November. The victory ended a 19-game road losing streak for the Black Knights. Army is hoping to halt a similar nagging skein on Saturday as the Cadets attempt to stop a nine-game home skid, the longest in school history. For the second straight year, Army lost starting QB Reggie Nevels to injury during the second quarter of the season opener. He sat out last week's game against Rutgers and is not

expected to return to Army's lineup for several weeks. The Black Knights displayed significant improvement on defense a week ago, but sputtered on offense once again. Army, which turned in a stellar defensive effort in last season's upset of Tulane, must feature more of the same this week if it is to harness an explosive Green Wave offense that features All-America candidate J. P. Losman at quarterback and all-purpose wizard Melwede Moore at running back. The Green Wave invades West Point averaging 335.0 passing yards and 31.0 points per game.

All-Time Record

The Black Knights are in the midst of their 114th season and sixth as members of Conference USA. Army boasts an impressive all-time record of 622-395-51 (.606) and ranked tied for 24th on the nation's all-time victories list entering the 2003 campaign. The Black Knights ended 108 years of Division I-A independence in 1998 and enter the 2003 season ranked 24th among all Division I-A programs in winning percentage (.607). **The Army-Tulane**



Delente Brewer takes the field.

Series

With victories over Tulane each of the past three seasons, Army has leveled its all-time series with the Green Wave at 5-5-1. Those three recent series victories for the Black Knights have come by a total of 15 points. Army has captured four of the six series matchups that have taken place at West Point, including each of the last two encounters. The pairing began in 1953 when the teams played to a 0-0 tie in New Orleans. Army and Tulane squared off again in 1957 with Army prevailing 20-14 at West Point. Following a 16-year series hiatus, the clubs clashed twice

during the 1970s, then went 20 years before another series encounter. The Black Knights and Green Wave have met each of the past seven seasons, with five of those battles taking place under the guise of Conference USA. Army has prevailed in four of the last seven encounters, including three of the five league skirmishes.

Scouting Tulane

Following a memorable season that culminated with a surprising victory over host Hawai'i in the Con Agra Hawai'i Bowl last Christmas night, Tulane has opened its fifth year under head coach Chris Scelfo with two wins in its first three games. The Green Wave posted one of the most significant victories in recent school history last week, battling back from a 14-point deficit in the final five minutes to shock Mississippi State 31-28. The win snapped Tulane's 24-game losing streak to Southeastern Conference opponents, a skein that dated back to 1989. The Green Wave opened the season with a hardfought 38-35 loss to preseason Conference USA favorite TCU, then narrowly slipped by Division I-AA Northwestern State 27-24 in overtime. Tulane boasts an explosive offense, featuring the potent one-two punch of All-America candidates J.P. Losman at quarterback and Melwede Moore at running back. Widely regarded as

one of the country's top two senior quarterbacks, Losman enters this week's action ranked fourth nationally in total offense (343.0). He has already thrown for 1,005 yards and 10 touchdowns through three games, while completing 60.6 percent of his pass attempts. Conference USA's preseason offensive player of the year, Moore became the league's all-time leading rusher in last week's defeat of Mississippi State when he ran for 92 yards on 16 carries. He has piled up 3,683 ground markers during three-plus years at Tulane and currently tops the team with 19 receptions. Four different receivers have caught at least 10 passes to date.

TV Coverage

This week's game will mark the third of four straight television appearances for Army. The Conference USA matchup will be broadcast by ESPN Plus and air in the New York metropolitan region on Madison Square Garden Network. Bob Stevens will handle play-by-play duties, with Charles Arbuckle providing color analysis. For the second consecutive week, Army's game will be included in ESPN's GamePlan package and available across the country.

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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Epic
- 5. About the vagus nerve
- 10. A size of type used in printing
- 14. Type of curve
- 15. Fill with high spirits
- 16. The 6th month of the Jewish calendar
- 17. An opening in a wall
- 18. English person
- 19. A length of time
- 20. 7th letter of the Greek alphabet
- 21. "Cool Hand ___"
- 22. Be the first
- 23. Earthenware made from clay
- 25. Design a better mousetrap
- 27. Contraction
- 28. Training by repetition
- 32. An Italian woman of rank
- 35. In a forest, open space
- 36. Any high mountain
- 37. Away from wind
- 38. Erodes
- 39. Malarial fever
- 40. Shuffle
- 41. Type of necklace
- 42. A sphere
- 43. Fragment of broken pottery
- 45. Large New Zealand parrot
- 46. Follow by one's foot
- 47. Disorder
- 51. Several things tied together
- 54. Confuse
- 55. A way to till
- 56. Grave
- 57. A seat
- 59. A British peer ranking
- 60. Capital of Western Samoa
- 61. About organ of hearing
- 62. Opaque gem
- 63. Capital of Switzerland
- 64. Cluttered
- 65. Dried leaves of the hemp plant
- 25. Large shrimp
- 26. Fellows
- 28. Famous Scottish textile design
- 29. Famous villain
- 30. Baseball team
- 31. Sword
- 32. Muffle
- 33. A mixture of many
- 34. Succeeding
- 35. Knot
- 38. Clarified butter
- 39. Of or like a wing
- 41. Cook
- 42. Cogwheel
- 44. 8th month of the Islamic calendar
- 45. Twisted or rugged
- 47. Name
- 48. Mounting on a scabbard
- 49. Jewish folk dances
- 50. Shouts
- 51. Knife
- 52. In a way, expectations
- 53. Independent ruler or chieftain
- 54. Barriers
- 57. Rotating disk to convert circular into linear motion
- 58. Color
- 59. Winged goddess of the dawn

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Highly excited
- 2. Idle or foolish talk
- 3. Eight
- 4. The woman
- 5. Velvetlike fabric
- 6. Having similar characteristic
- 7. Contest
- 8. Fed
- 9. Grassland, meadow
- 10. Clear-cut
- 11. The content of cognition
- 12. Witty person
- 13. Official symbols
- 21. Molten rock
- 22. Make by braiding
- 24. Fermented juice

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Tingay, Snyder dental clinics tend to all of a soldier's toothly needs



Photos by Sgt. Ryan Matson

Maj. Philip Hammond, a dentist with the Dental Activities command, works on a patient at Snyder Dental Clinic.

Sgt. Ryan Matson
Military editor

Got a toothache?

Snyder Dental Clinic located in Building 25501 on Barnes Avenue, or Tingay Dental Clinic, located near Eisenhower Army Medical Center in Building 320, can help.

Laura Hays has worked as the health care administrator for the dental activities command, or DENTAC, since 1994. She explained the basic differences between the two clinics.

"Tingay specializes in treating patients with endodontic, prosthodontic and periodontic problems, and Snyder is more of your everyday 'drill 'em and fill 'em' working clinic for soldiers," she said.

Endodontic treatments involve treating tooth infections through surgical and non-surgical root canal therapy; prosthodontic treatments involve making crowns, bridges, dentures, and in specialized cases, even eyes, noses and ears; and periodontic treatments involve treatments related to the gums and gum surgeries, she explained.

Col. Stephen Cameron is a prosthodontic dentist with extra training in eye, nose and ear reconstruction.

"It's exactly like in Hollywood," he said. "The parts are made out of silicone and look like the real thing."

Hays said Cameron is also overseeing the complete state-of-the-art renovation of the Tingay clinic which started in January and will last until 2005. A section of the clinic is taking patients at the building being renovated, and the rest are being treated at a temporary clinic located just behind the old one.

As part of the renovation, the endodontic section of Tingay has temporarily relocated to the Snyder clinic, Hays said. (More information on the renovation project follows in next week's *Signal*.)

Not only does Tingay specialize in endodontic, prosthodontic and periodontic treatments, it also serves as a training facility for dentists learning these specialties, Hays said.

"This is one of the premier training facilities for these three specialties in the world," Col. David Carr, the Southeast Regional DENTAC commander said.

"It ranks as one of the top teaching action facilities not only in the military, but in the civilian sector as well. We're accredited by the American Dental Association and they're constantly amazed at our facility. They say it's one

of the best facilities they've seen. In fact, the residents learning the specialties here call it 'Tingay U.'"

Carr said the patients at Tingay are referred to the clinic from other clinics for specialized treatment and come from all over the Southeast region, including Fort Stewart, Fort McPherson, and Warner Robbins Air Force Base, among others.

The mission of Snyder Dental Clinic is to treat all of a soldier's common dental problems including cavities, root canals, cleaning teeth, handling severe over- and underbite problems, acute mouth trauma and much more.

A list of hours and appointment information for both clinics follows.

Snyder Clinic:
Sick call hours: Monday - Friday 7:30-9:30 a.m.

Patients who have bleeding, swelling, infection or acute trauma (blow to the face, involving the jaw or mouth) should report during this time. All others should call 787-7050 for appointments.

Appointments - Call from 9:30-11:30 a.m. or 1:30-3:30 p.m. Monday - Friday. Routine treatment (exams, fillings, referrals) will be made during these hours. Routine appointments are booked in advance of three weeks. Priority care

will go to soldiers who are being deployed or those who are in a Class III status and going overseas. This may cause a delay in the routine appointment scheduling for the soldiers who are stationed at Fort Gordon. Students assigned to post for less than six months will receive routine treatment at their permanent duty station.

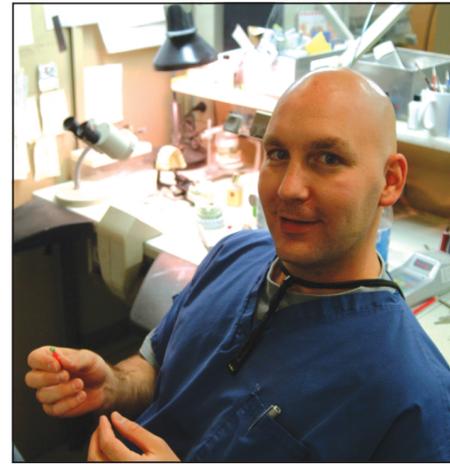
In and out processing - Walk-in hours from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m. Monday - Friday. Bring your dental records unless they are on file at the clinic.

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Readiness Class III Status: Dental treatment that must be done within six months to remain deployable and prevent further tooth damage.

Tingay Dental Clinic - Call 787-5102 for information.

The Hospital Dental Clinic is located on the first floor of EAMC. Oral and maxillofacial surgery is provided by referral only. The military personnel assigned to Eisenhower Army Medical Center receive their dental care at this location. Sick call is 7:30-8:30 a.m. Monday - Friday for soldiers assigned to EAMC. For information on appointments and treatment, call 787-5322.



Capt. Todd Pienkos, a resident at Tingay Clinic holds a tooth implant he constructed there.



Some of the brand new, state-of-the-art instrument sterilization equipment at Snyder Dental Clinic.



Maj. Ricardo Vendrell, an orthodontist at Snyder Dental Clinic, buffs a bite plane as he prepares to work on a set of braces. He said his section specializes in severe over- and underbite problems.



The dental clinics can be busy places, as seen in the photo above of dentists and their assistants at work on a typical afternoon at Snyder Dental Clinic.



Bob Lacy, a civilian lab technician at Tingay Dental Clinic, perfects an artificial tooth he has constructed.



Staff Sgt. Jacquelyn Andress, a 91E, or dental assistant at Snyder Dental Clinic, demonstrates the clinic's X-Ray machine. Andress is the Noncommissioned Officer In Charge of the Snyder Dental Clinic.