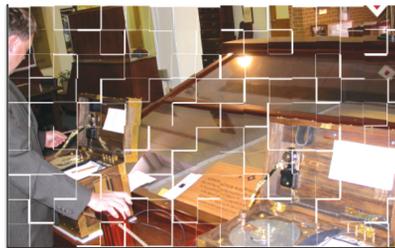




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## News UPDATE

### CFC training

There is a Combined Federal Campaign training session for project officers and key workers from 8:30-11:30 a.m. **Tuesday** in Alexander Hall. The guest speaker is Brig. Gen. Janet Hicks, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon commander.

Project officers and key personnel must attend one of the sessions offered. Call 791-8204 or 791-8108 for information.

### OWC sign-up

The Fort Gordon Officers Wives Club is having an Open House and activities sign-up from 6:30-8:30 p.m. **Tuesday** at the Gordon Club. For information call Kate Pokemire at 771-9653 or Jenny Garner at 772-9245.

### Supervisor training

The Civilian Personnel Advisory Center is offering the following training for supervisors of civilian personnel. Classes are offered on a first come first served basis.

**Sept. 16** 8-11 a.m. and **Sept. 17** 1-4 p.m. Staffing (e.g., interview techniques; selection panels; rating & ranking, and appointment authorities)

**Sept. 16** 1-4 p.m. and **Sept. 17** 8-11 a.m. Supervising union employees/MER issues

Supervisors of civilian employees, both civilian and military, need to attend both sessions.

Classes are held in the Azalea Room at the Courtyard (old Officers Club). To sign-up or for information, contact Carla Baucom at carla.baucom@us.army.mil or 791-3956.

### 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.

### September 11th observances

There will be a September 11th memorial at the Bicentennial Chapel **Thursday**. The chapel will be open from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. for individual prayer, meditation and reflection. There will be displays and a moment of silence at 9:37 a.m. The Bicentennial Chapel is located in Building 28414 on Brainard Avenue. For information, call 791-3959.

Augusta's Garden City Chorus will present a musical tribute at 7 p.m. **Thursday** at the Jessye Norman Amphitheater on the Augusta Riverwalk. The event is free and open to the public. For information call 721-2607.

## TRICARE contracts awarded

Special to the Signal

**WASHINGTON**—Dr. William Winkenwerder Jr., assistant secretary of defense for health affairs, addressed the Aug. 21 awarding of the Tricare contracts to Health Net Federal Services, Rancho Cordova, Calif.; Humana Military Healthcare Services, Louisville, Ky.; and TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corp., Phoenix, Ariz. The three contracts are valued at an estimated \$6.4 billion. The new contracts will replace the current seven contracts over the next 14 months and will be simpler for the government to administer.

These contractors will provide health care services to 8.7 million uniformed services beneficiaries and support to military hospitals and clinics in the United States. They put customer satisfaction first by providing meaningful incentives for top performance in telephone access, claims payment and quality medical outcomes.

"The new contracts are part of the secretary's transformation efforts and will make a strong program better," said Winkenwerder. "Our new contractors will be strategic partners in support of medical readiness and their added value includes optimizing care in our military medical facilities, ensuring access to the highest quality civilian providers and offering preventive and outreach strategies for our beneficiaries."

Each contract includes at least a nine-month transition, plus five one-year option periods for health care delivery and

support. The transition began Monday. The turnover of responsibility for services in the newly aligned Tricare North, South and West regions will be phased in, starting with areas in the West region on June 1, 2004, and will be completed by November 2004.

"I anticipate a smooth transition," said Winkenwerder. "Through the transition period, beneficiaries will receive information about enrollment choices, primary care manager selections and the availability of specialists."

"I am very pleased with this next generation of Tricare contracts. They will take us to the next step in focusing on our patients, claims efficiency, ease of portability and enhancing our military medical facilities," said Lt. Gen. James B. Peake, Army surgeon general and commander U.S. Army Medical Command.

"These contracts will afford the Military Health System greater flexibility and opportunity to execute the health care benefits enacted by Congress," said Vice Adm. Michael L. Cowan, surgeon general of the Navy and chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery.

"The award of these contracts concludes an intense process of dedication and interservice cooperation. It also marks the beginning of new partnerships specifically designed to focus on our beneficiaries, to reward quality, and help us strengthen our expeditionary Air Force," said Lt. Gen. George Peach Taylor, surgeon general of the Air Force.

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## State rep speaks at Equality Day here

Denise Allen  
Signal staff

For Sue Burmeister, rights and duties go hand in hand.

Speaking at the Women's Equality Day program, Aug. 28 in Alexander Hall, Burmeister, Georgia state representative from the 96th District, which includes parts of Richmond County, celebrated the anniversary of women's right to vote while urging all in attendance to exercise that right and duty.

"Without the right to vote, there will be no equality," she said.

The program marked the 83rd anniversary of women receiving the right to vote, a right Burmeister's maternal grandmother took seriously. "My grandmother was 21 in November 1920," she said. "She was able to go to the polls and cast a vote."

Her grandmother never missed an election until her death at the age of 77. Her father also stressed the importance of rights such as voting.

His parents were immigrants, and he served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

"My family knew it was so important to vote," she said.

While soldiers fight for freedom in countries such as Afghanistan and Iraq, "unless we vote, we are not going to have those freedoms," she said.

Fewer Americans head to the polls, she said.

She cited statistics that only 34 percent of those born from 1964 to 1976 vote, and among those born after 1976, only 24 percent of those eligible to vote do so.



Photo by Jimmy Buffington

**Sue Burmeister, state representative for the 96th District, spoke at the Women's Equality Day program Aug. 28 in Alexander Hall.**

"Maybe it's cynicism or apathy," she said.

Or maybe voters think politicians are only out to see which groups can give them the most money, she said.

"That never will be the way I vote if I represent you," she said. "There are a lot of lousy politicians. I know. I fight them every day."

Despite the bad, "more Americans need to be involved."

Prior to Burmeister's speech, Staff Sgt. Beulah Patterson, Sgt. Sherida Gunn

and Spc. James Lockett sang "I Believe I Can Fly" as images of women who had made an impact on the nation flashed across a screen behind them.

Among the faces were some familiar to those at Fort Gordon including Brig. Gen. Velma Richardson, former deputy commander at Fort Gordon, who was the post's first female deputy commander, and Brig. Gen. Jan Hicks, Fort Gordon's first female commander and first female chief of Signal.

## Ready to give Post holiday fundraiser ready to shift into high gear

Sgt. Ryan Matson  
Military editor

It all started as a simple Teddy Bear drive in 1966. Now, almost three decades later, the Christmas House charity here has evolved into an organization that raises tens of thousands of dollars each year for families in need.

Lynn Harshman has been the director of Christmas House for the past six years. She explained how the charity came into existence.

"The program started during the height of the Vietnam conflict in 1966," Harshman explained. "It was started by a group of nurses at Eisenhower hospital. Many of the soldiers stationed here had been deployed to Asia, and the nurses were concerned their children weren't going to have a very merry Christmas."

Harshman said the nurses organized a teddy bear drive for the soldier's children to raise the families' spirits during the tough time. Harshman said that though the Christmas House charity has become a much bigger organization, the concept behind the program remains the same. Now, she said, Christmas House has grown into a post-wide drive to assist less financially fortunate military families in having a more joyous holiday celebration.

"The purpose of the program is to ensure that all of our military families have a traditional winter holiday celebration," Harshman said. "Even though the program is titled Christmas House, we know that not everyone celebrates Christmas, so we support families in other holiday celebrations, too."

The program has grown consider-

ably since it began as a teddy bear drive in 1966. For example, last year's Christmas House fund drive raised \$35,893. This money provided holiday assistance for 283 families, including three toys for 607 children. Besides toys for children, Harshman said families also received gift certificates to the commissary on post. The program has assisted an average of 300 families for the past

three years, Harshman said.

Contributing to the Christmas House fund is a post-wide effort, Harshman said.

"I would say about 95 percent of our monetary donations come from the units on post, and the private organizations that support the military," Harshman said. "The remainder comes from local merchants and

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Courtesy photo

**Capt. William Platte (pictured when he was a lieutenant), Headquarters and Headquarters Company, has been volunteering with the Christmas House program here for several years.**

# Christmas

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private citizens. Through their generosity, the Christmas House program is possible. The success of the program is really dependent on the amount of donations we receive."

People have found very creative ways of becoming involved in the fund-raising, Harshman said.

"Everyone supports the program," she said. "We have had units do carwashes, commanders in dunk tanks, twilight golf tournaments, unit Volksmarches, first sergeants and commanders serving soldiers breakfast in bed, drill sergeants shining boots, and so on. This year the 15th Signal Brigade will be hosting a golf tournament on Oct. 16. I'm always amazed at the ways they raise the money."

Capt. William Platte, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Garrison command is one of the commanders Harshman said has been extremely supportive of the Christmas House program. He explained why he feels it's important to be involved.

"It's very important to me, because I get to see the end result of soldiers and families receiving the benefits of the Christmas House program," Platte said. "The great thing about it is it all stays local. It's all to benefit the Fort Gordon soldier and their families."

While military units show strong support for the program each year, Harshman said other post businesses and organizations provide major contributions.

"The Fort Gordon Credit Union, in conjunction with Kendrick Memorial Blood Center, helps by doing blood drives on post," she said.

"For each unit of blood that is donated at a drive, the credit union donates \$5. It's called the Red to Green Blood Drive. Each year, the Officer's Wives Club designs and creates a quilt, and raise money in a drawing to win the quilt."

"The commissary vendors are unbelievable. They do a hot dog sale for us. They donate their products, cook the hot-dogs and even arrange a trailer from Coca-Cola to be provided, and sell a hot dog, a bag of chips, a snack cake and a Coke product for one dollar to benefit Christmas House. They do that three or four times a year, and last year even put on

a golf tournament. It has gotten to be a huge thing."

One of the biggest fundraising segments of the program, Harshman said, is the Angel Tree, which is set up in the Post Exchange lobby area.

"This allows the community to be involved in supporting Christmas House," Harshman said. "The tree is set up, and all of the little angels placed on the tree represents a military child on post who has been approved for assistance. Our goal is to put a smile on the face of every angel on the tree by Christmas Eve. We have little smiley-face stickers we put on the angels for each \$5 contribution, which off-sets the price of toys for the children."

Once the money has been raised, Harshman said Christmas House volunteers buy toys for the children.

"We shop until we drop!" she said with a smile. "We purchase everything under the sun."

After the toys have been purchased, families come into a building on post set aside for the Christmas House program and pick out gifts, three per child. This year's pickup is Dec. 9 and 10, she said.

"We have volunteer 'elves' who help the shoppers pick out their toys, because it's mostly dads who come in to do the shopping," Harshman said. "The lady elves are helpful because sometimes dads don't have a clue what to get their daughters for Christmas."

The location of this year's Christmas House building is still being determined, Harshman said, but when it is selected she said there will be an open house showcasing some of the items purchased on Nov. 24.

"This provides the community with an opportunity to see how we're spending their money," Harshman said.

The toys are all new, quality items, Harshman said, because the organization believes children on post deserve a quality present.

"When the families come in, they're selecting one toy that is \$20 or above, and two of anything else that is out there," she said. "We don't put anything on the shelves that's valued under \$10."

Boxes are placed in various locations on post for people to donate new toys to



Courtesy photo

**Christmas House last year raised nearly \$36,000 for families in need.**

Christmas House, Harshman said.

In addition to toys, Harshman said the families also receive a gift certificate to the commissary.

"The past few years, we've been able to give them either a \$50 or \$100 commissary gift certificate, depending on the family's size," she said. "Again, all this will be determined by how much money is donated to us this year."

There is an application process to receive assistance from the Christmas House fund, Harshman said. Military active duty, National Guard, Reservist, or retired military families are eligible for the program, as well as unaccompanied families, or families who are in the area but their military member is stationed elsewhere or deployed.

"Certainly we want to help them," Harshman said.

"Applications go through the units, the commander signs off on them, and they come to us," Harshman explained. "We have an application committee that meets and reviews all applications. What they're looking for is the people who show us the greatest need. The applicants show us their income, their bills, and after everything is factored into it, after expenses if you've got \$100 or less, you go into our priority pile. If it's \$200 or less, you go into our secondary pile and so on."

This year's Christmas House drive just went into high gear, Harshman said. The first planning meeting for this year's Christmas House drive was Sept. 25. She said Rae Lynne Guthrie, wife of Col. Michael Guthrie, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon deputy commandant, was named the 2003 Christmas House chairperson. A commander's briefing will take place Tuesday to discuss further unit fund-raising

efforts.

A staff of 45 volunteers spearhead the drive, Harshman said. Ten committees then each work on special projects for the drive, such as the Angel Tree and other fund-raising efforts, she said.

Donations are accepted year-round, but the drive is entering its busy season, she said.

If everyone can rally together this year as in years past, Harshman said she is confident Christmas House can once again bring holiday cheer to families on post that needs it most.

"By the time everyone has done their part, I think they feel good about themselves. It provides them with an opportunity to make a positive impact on their fellow soldiers on post," she said.

For more information on becoming involved in this year's Christmas House Drive, contact Harshman at 791-3880, or by e-mail at [harshmal@gordon.army.mil](mailto:harshmal@gordon.army.mil).

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# YCA cadets receive firefighter training

**Justina Baker**  
Fort Gordon fire department

Youth Challenge Academy cadets recently had the opportunity to work hand-in-hand with the Fort Gordon fire department as part of their job shadowing.

Four cadets spent four weeks at the fire department, learning first-hand about the profession.

"Job shadowing at the Fort Gordon Fire Department has taught me a lot," said Marty Sullivan, a 17-year-old YCA corporal. "The fire fighters always made sure that I was a part of whatever type of training exercise was going on. I learned about the different type of equipment and what they were used for."

"I liked the part when I got to learn about all the fire safety guidelines, and the different equipment," added Shakeya Brown, also a 17-year-old YCA corporal.

"The most interesting part of being here is when I got to go on calls; medical and fire, with the fire fighters. I got to help check alarms and watched how they took blood pressure."

The Fort Gordon Fire Department had many opportunities to offer the cadets.

"The benefits of the job shadowing program are bilateral," said John Ryan, station



Photo by Justina Baker

Youth Challenge Academy cadets (left to right) Quinterius McDaniel, Erika Earl, Shakeya Brown and Marty Sullivan spent four weeks job shadowing at the fire department, where they learned about the profession.

chief. "The program affords the department an opportunity to further our customer base by reaching out and introducing our career field to these fine young people. Additionally, the program does a wonderful job of infusing young cadets into the real work world, working side by side with our firefighters and gaining a first hand perception as to what this job is about."

"My experience at the Fort

Gordon fire station had been wonderful," said Quinterius McDaniel, an 18-year-old YCA private. "I've learned about different types of equipment and what they are used for. My time here at the fire department gave me a clear focus on pursuing my career as becoming a fireman."

In all, the experience gave the cadets an additional career path to consider.

"Working with fires was never something I was inter-

ested in until my job shadowing experience," said Erika Earl, a 17-year-old YCA corporal. "My favorite part of working here had to be riding on the fire trucks. There is nothing like the adrenaline rush of having the sirens and speeding through traffic to save someone's life. All in all, it had to be one of the best experiences of my life."

(Baker is a firefighter with the Fort Gordon Fire Department "A" shift.)

## TRICARE

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Health Net Federal Services is the awardee for the \$2.2 billion contract for the Tricare North region and will provide support and health care services in Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

Humana Military Healthcare Services is the awardee for the \$2 billion contract for the Tricare South region and will provide support and health care services in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and the eastern portion of Texas.

TriWest Healthcare Alliance Corp. is the awardee for the \$2.1 billion contract for the Tricare West region and will provide support and health care services in Alaska, Arizona,

California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, the western portion of Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

During the transition period, beneficiaries will continue to file claims with their current Tricare contractor. Eligible Tricare beneficiaries are encouraged to contact the Defense Manpower Data Center Support Office to ensure en-

rollment information in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System is current. DEERS enrollment may be verified by contacting the DSO at (800) 538-9552, or by visiting the nearest uniformed services personnel office.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Jennifer Yancey

### Signaling change

Col. Jeffrey Smith Jr., (left), commander of 22nd Signal Brigade out of Darmstadt, Germany, receives the 440th Signal Battalion colors from outgoing commander Lt. Col. Mark Lessig in a change-of-command ceremony June 9 in Iraq. Smith passed the colors on to incoming commander, Lt. Col. Edwin Drose Jr., (left background). Drose is an Irmo, S.C., high school graduate, and his parents, both retired military officers, live in Evans. Lessig will become the Signal branch chief at Personnel Command in Alexandria, Va.



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# Viewpoint

Information, Opinions, and Commentary

## Home alone ... latch key kids need guidance, parents need peace of mind

### Safety guide for latch key kids

If you're a parent with school-age children and you work outside your home, then you'll inevitably have to deal with the question, "My child wants to stay at home alone after school — should I let them?" The answer is a difficult one, and the hazards associated with children staying home alone are many.

How can you decide if your child is ready to come home from school alone? And how can they stay safe once they get home? Here are some thoughts to help you decide, and help protect your child.

#### Is your child ready?

Children's emotional ages vary a great deal during the school-age years. One child may be emotionally ready and able to take care of themselves at 10 or 11, and another may not be ready until 13 or 14. What is your child's emotional readiness?

Is your child resourceful during an emergency or do they "fall apart?" If an emergency was to occur could your child calmly deal with the emergency?

Do you trust your child? This may sound overly simple, but can you rely on your child to follow the rules you establish for his/her own safety?

Can your child be trusted to never allow a person in the house regardless of the story they may be told? Can your child dial 911 and remain calm if an emergency arises?

Is there a neighbor or friend close by that your child could call on in a true emergency?

Does your work situation allow for close telephone contact with your child after he or she comes home in the afternoon?

The answers to these questions can help you to decide whether or not your child is really ready to come home from school alone.

Children are concerned about their personal safety too, so by working with your child to come up with the answers to some of these issues, you

can make your decisions together.

#### Guidelines

Rules and plans for emergencies can alleviate some of the stress associated with latchkey kids

Never go into your house if it has been broken into. Run to a neighbor or a friend's house and ask to dial 911 from their house. *Do not go into the house alone!*

Never tell anyone, even a friend, that you're home alone.

Keep a spare key at a neighbor's house or hide it somewhere that only you know about. Have your key ready to open your door as soon as you get home. Have it in your hand.

Never allow anyone into the house when you're alone. Regardless of the story that he or she tells you, do not allow that person into your house or open the door.

If a strange car drives by your house slowly, stops or keeps driving past call 911 and tell the operator what is happening.

Stay away from the windows and keep the doors locked at all times.

Never give personal information to anyone who calls you on the phone, anyone you chat with on the Internet, or anyone who comes to your door.

Make a list of the agreed upon rules and post them on the refrigerator along with a list of phone numbers to call in emergencies.

For the parent, set up a specific time to check in with your child after arriving home from school.

#### Latch key kids

A recent query from the divorced mother of an 8-year-old son.

"I am concerned about leaving my son alone in the house until I get home from work (about three hours). What are your feelings about this? Also, how can I be sure he does his homework?"

Latch-key kids are becoming as American as apple pie. Whether this is a good thing or not, millions of children are home alone after school.

The up-to-date term for this is self-care, and the old term described those children easily identified by the key hanging from a string around their neck.

Self-care can work just fine. But parents need to:

- 1) prepare the child,
- 2) set up some strict rules involving safety and school work,
- 3) pay attention to the child's feelings.

ings.

There are no hard and fast rules about the age a child can start self-care safely. If I had my druthers, I would say age 10 is early enough. But many kids are mature enough at 8 to be left alone (really alone, 8 is too young to be responsible for a sibling).

Each parent must establish the child's readiness. You should assess the child's physical maturity (the child has the physical dexterity to use the key), mental maturity (the child can recognize danger and problem-solve at least to the level of calling for help), emotional maturity (the child is not too shy to call a neighbor for help and can talk about and handle feelings of loneliness or boredom).

#### Prepare the child ahead of time

Teach the child how to use the key, lock all doors and windows from the inside, and safely store the key.

Teach the child how to get out of the house in an emergency like a fire.

Be sure the child knows the full address and phone number of the house and how the parent can be reached.

Teach the child how to use the 911 system (dial 911, give the address, name, and nature of problem in that order).

Role-play with the child until both you and the child are comfortable with the child's ability to use 911.

Choose and teach the child the safe route home from school and make sure the child understands not to deviate from this. Role-play possible situations with the child. Ask the child what he or she would do if the popcorn in the microwave catches fire, the phone is dead, somebody followed you home from school and is outside the house, you lose your key, etc.

#### Establish house rules ahead of time

Check-in call to parent or an arranged substitute is the first thing the child does on arriving home.

Establish boundaries like whether the child is allowed to play outdoors, where the child can go, etc.

Set appropriate limits on phone use and provide a timer to help the child obey this rule.

Set appropriate rules about visitors. Decide which friends can come over and for how long.

Decide which appliances, stereos, etc. the child is allowed to use unsu-

pervised — and make sure the child knows safe and appropriate usage. The microwave is an easy-to-use and convenient appliance, but many kids do not realize that microwaved food can burn them. Check out your child's microwave use.

Set firm guidelines for snacks and TV.

#### Establish backup systems

Find a neighbor or friend who can be called if there is a problem and the child cannot reach you.

Set up a backup system to reach you. If you are not going to be at your usual place, give the child the other number. Consider getting a beeper or cellular telephone if your job requires you to be on the move.

#### Explain about "bad guys" out there

Teach your child why he or she should never open the door to strangers. Teach the child to use the door peephole and go over a list of people who can be admitted.

Tell the child to call 911 if someone tries to break in the house or won't go away after ringing the doorbell.

Tell your child to never tell anyone who calls on the phone about being home alone. Give the child an appropriate phrase to use on the phone, "My mother can't come to the phone right now. Can I take a message?"

Instruct the child to hang up and call you or the backup if he or she gets a crank or obscene or frightening phone call.

#### Empower you child

Teach your child elementary first aid like cool water for a burn. Tell the child you know that he or she is big enough to handle such matters.

Teach the child what to do in the case of a power failure. Work out with the child where he or she thinks the flashlight and transistor radio should be kept.

Tell your child that you trust him or her. You believe the child is big enough to obey all the rules and stay at home alone in safety.

#### Work out a schedule together

Have the child make out the chart: call Mom, snack, homework, etc.

Assign the child chores to do and put these on the chart: fold towels, make salad, set table, etc. The more responsibility you give your child, the

more competent the child will feel.

#### Pay attention to the child's feelings

Ask your child to tell you about anything that makes him or her feel uncomfortable about staying home alone.

Tell your child you understand about feeling lonely — or bored. Tell the child you remember how it felt to be lonely or bored when you were a child and how you handled it.

Set aside some time each week to talk about staying home alone. Ask your child to help you figure out how to make the self-care experience better.

#### Monitor the arrangement

Check to see that chores and homework got done.

Ask your child each day what happened and talk about the "day" each of you had.

Tell your child you expect that homework will always be done and school work will always be taken seriously — it's the child's job.

**Editor's note:** The above information was compiled from the following: [www.parentkidsright.com/platchkeykids](http://www.parentkidsright.com/platchkeykids) and [www.ivillagehealth.com/interests/childrens/articles](http://www.ivillagehealth.com/interests/childrens/articles)

### Too young to be 'home alone'

There are two different categories of supervision of children, Georgia and Fort Gordon.

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Ages 8 and under should not be left alone

Ages 9-12 may be left alone for brief periods of time (less than two hours)

Ages 13 and up may be left alone and may babysit younger children

**Fort Gordon**  
Ages 3 and under require direct supervision

Ages 4-6 require monitored supervision (within visual and vocal contact)

Ages 7-9 require monitored supervision in the form of regular checks

Ages 10-12 may be unsupervised during waking hours (less than two hours)

Ages 13 and up may be left alone and may babysit younger children.

For more information, see the Garrison Commander's Policy Letter #19 or ACS's Family Advocacy at 791-6632.



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## 212 ways to be a Soldier

*A day in the life of...*

### A 35J (computer automated systems repairer)

**Note:** This is the 41st MOS, or military occupational specialty, featured in the series describing all 212 Army careers.

**Sgt. Ryan Matson**  
Military editor

Computers are everywhere, in cars, offices, manufacturing machines, at home, and in a piece of equipment almost anywhere someone is doing a job. But have you ever wondered how a computer works?

Sgt. Darrell Stinson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 67th Signal Battalion, can tell you. That's because he is a 35J, or computer automated systems repairer.

"Mainly we fix regular personal computers," Stinson said. "However, we also fix LCUs, or light-weight computer units, which is a field computer housed in a light green box. We're also called on to fix typewriters and printers, but mostly personal computers."

Stinson said he came into the MOS because he had always been a computer enthusiast. He said he also enjoys working with electronics.

"I've always been electronically inclined," Stinson said.

"I've always liked working on stereos and stuff like that. Computers were just one more thing to add to the list."

Stinson has been in the Army three years, all as a 35J. He enlisted in the MOS in September, 2000. After completing basic training, he attended his Advanced Indi-

vidual Training here at Fort Gordon.

During the 17-week course Stinson said he learned about the components inside a computer. He described some of the things he learned in AIT.

"It's kind of different," Stinson said. "We learned how to use a computer tool kit, and how to diagnose problems in a computer by using a disk. The disk will tell you whether it's a specific problem or the area the problem's in. Most of the time the problems in software, or the programs, but sometimes the problem is in the hardware, or parts inside."

Stinson said there are other MOSs in the Army which deal with computers, such as a 74B, or computer systems analyst, which he said handles many software problems. Stinson said his MOS focuses more directly on the hardware side of computers, but in order to do this, he must have a knowledge of computer software systems as well. He said the 35J is a smaller MOS, meaning one can always get attached to a unit.

Now that he has been through AIT and had some time doing his job in units, including a recent deployment to Saudi Arabia, Stinson said he has become very familiar with the parts of a computer, what they do and how to fix them.

"If I wanted to build my own computer from scratch, I could," he said.

"I've ended up doing a lot of stuff like that for my friends."

Like any other job, Stinson said repairing computers has

its challenges. But Stinson said he enjoys these parts of his MOS, too.

"A lot of times when I'm repairing a computer, I'll run into something I've never seen before," he said.

"With computers, it's always something new. Once you conquer it, though, you'll never forget it. So one of the main challenges is just learning something new. Your learning never stops."

With the knowledge he has acquired from the Army and his personal experiences with computers, Stinson said there are a world of opportunities open to him once the time comes to find a job in the civilian world.

"I could work as a computer information systems supervisor, or networking information systems advisor from Comp USA on up," he said.

"If I add on to my education, I could be an instructor with computer teaching certification, and the list is endless."

Pursuing his education is, indeed, a goal of Stinson's. He said he would like to attend school in Computer Information Systems. In the meantime, Stinson seems to have found happiness fixing computers for the Army.

"It's (the 35J MOS) a pretty good MOS," Stinson said.

"You learn technical things, and it's a good place to start. Even if you didn't know anything about computers, the way it's taught here, you could make it through AIT."

And from there, as Stinson said, the sky's the limit.



Photo by Sgt. Ryan Matson

Sgt. Darrell Stinson, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 67th Signal Battalion, takes a peek inside a computer he has been working on. Stinson is a 35J, or computer automated systems repairer.

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# The Pen and Sword: Inconvenience claims

Allan Downen  
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

The issue of inconvenience claims is an area of great concern for transportation officers and service members alike. Although the treatment of this subject is without hard and fast rules, some guidelines apply in successfully resolving them.

## Late pickup or late delivery

It must be understood that late pickup or delivery is the carrier's failure to meet "reasonable dispatch." This means that carriers are not required to transport in accordance with any particular schedule. They are required to use reasonable care, diligence and exertion in transporting, and may be liable for damages for failure to do so.

They are not responsible for events beyond their control such as blizzards, floods, tornadoes and other acts of God, and events other than natural disasters that are beyond the carrier's control, such as civil disturbances.

## Carrier's responsibility

When a carrier fails to pickup or deliver as scheduled, the Department

of Defense relies on the Tender of Service, as contained in DoD Regulation 4500.34R, which outlines carrier responsibilities pertaining to inconvenience claims. Carriers can accept liability for additional out-of-pocket expenses incurred as a result of delay in pickup or delivery that is due solely to carrier fault or negligence. Equipment failure and actions by underlying carriers are not considered beyond carrier control.

Carriers are not required to pay inconvenience claims; but they are required to acknowledge receipt of claims filed by a service member within 15 days. Depending on the circumstances of each claim, the carrier is responsible to pay, decline, or make a firm settlement offer in writing to the service member within 45 days of the filing.

## Filing a claim with the carrier

The soldier should file an informal written notification with the carrier's home office and local agent's office. This is especially true when a soldier and family will forego living in a hotel and "rough it" in a residence without the rental of necessities to sustain a minimum lifestyle or when a soldier is renting or has purchased basic household

items such as pots and pans, linens, etc. while awaiting delivery.

After delivery, the soldier should file a claim against the carrier. A written notification explaining circumstances and dates, records of all costs and expenditures, original receipts to support costs and expenditures, and records of any telephone or verbal conversations that the soldier may have had with the carrier or agent's personnel constitute a properly filed claim. If the soldier cannot obtain a receipt he/she must submit a notarized statement certifying that the claim is accurate and correct.

Carriers are not required to pay inconvenience claims. However, a properly filed claim will greatly enhance the chances that it will be honored. A carrier is not responsible for the entire support of a soldier and family. However, most carriers will, for the most part, pay for those additional out-of-pocket expenses incurred resulting from a delayed move.

Carriers generally review and pay each claim on its individual merit. For example, if a shipment was scheduled for delivery on June 5 and actual delivery did not occur until June 9, the car-

rier could be responsible for costs on June 5, 6, 7 and 8. Only a late evening delivery on the ninth of June can make a carrier responsible for inconvenience on June 9. Since the carrier is not responsible for the entire support of a soldier and family, only a portion of the food bill will be honored.

By paying a portion of this cost, the carrier is covering the additional expense incurred as a result of meals being eaten outside the home. Nevertheless, items purchased such as pots and pans, dishes, clothing and linens will require a strong, logical justification for reimbursement.

## General guidelines

Some guidelines for valid claims are as follows: Purchase or rental of household items, as a result of delay, should be made at retail stores that charge reasonable, moderate prices or rental rates, after contact with the carrier's home office for internal policy. Check with the carrier's home office if the soldier wishes to forego living in a motel and "rough it" in a private residence without the rental of necessities.

Check if the carrier will allow up to the home rental or mortgage principal

cost per day prior to exercising the hotel/motel alternative. Purchase or rental of household items should contain a strong, logical justification and relieve a definite hardship.

Do not claim expenses for bar bills, wine or liquor purchased with or without a meal. Hotel/motel accommodations should be of standard room variety and offer moderate rates. The number of people on the hotel/motel bill should be no greater than the number being moved. When possible, the soldier should use government furnishings, installation community service loan closets, government messing facilities and government temporary quarters.

If the soldier is ultimately dissatisfied with the carrier's resolution of the inconvenience claim, he can, at his own expense, take the carrier to court. Further, the soldier can notify the Interstate Commerce Commission of the carrier's poor performance. Finally, the complaint can be forwarded to the commander, Military Traffic Management Command, for assistance in resolving it with the carrier.

(Downen is the chief of the claims division at the OSJA.)

## SMA promotes soldier at NAACP convention

Air Force Master Sgt. Jose Ruiz  
Special to Signal

MIAMI – The 94th Annual National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Convention at the Miami Beach Convention Center served as the setting for a 93rd Signal Brigade soldier's promotion July 15.

Sgt. Maj. of the Army Jack Tilley presented Spc. Alexander Franklin-Murray, Army Signal Activity-Southern Command, 93rd Sig. Bde., defense red switch network operator, with a new set of sergeant stripes and welcomed the soldier to the Army's non-commissioned officer corps.

Franklin and two other soldiers stationed in south Florida were promoted during the convention as part of an Army sponsored event themed "Center of Influence." The event show-

cased the Army, highlighting its capabilities and paid tribute to the many contributions of the Army's non-commissioned officer corps.

"This is my first time being a part of something this big," Franklin said, describing the experience. "It wasn't just your average promotion where you get the rank pinned on, take your orders and move on. For me, it was an honor to enter the NCO Corps in the company of someone like the sergeant major of the Army, and to have my father and my little brother here with me made the whole experience that much greater."

Leaders from each military branch and convention guests also attended the event, which included keynote speeches from SMA Tilley, Command Sgt. Maj. Frank Lever, Sgt. Major of the Army National Guard and Command Sgt. Maj.

Michele Jones, Sgt. Maj. of the Army Reserves.

The Army's top enlisted leaders touched on the importance of the Army's NCO Corps, highlighting its contributions to the Army's 228-year history and stressing its important role in the successful accomplishment of current and future missions.

"Today's NCO is diverse, educated, civic-minded and family-oriented," said Jones of the current make-up of the NCO corps.

She further described members of the corps as, "leaders bound by common goals and selected on the basis of what they have done, what they are doing and what they can do."

"The NCO of the present exemplifies what it means to be a professional," said Jones.

Franklin said he considers his entry into the Army's NCO Corps as an opportu-

nity to pass on to others the same quality of leadership he has received since entering the Army four years ago.

Tilley expressed his appreciation to Franklin and his fellow NCOs for continuing to accept the challenge and responsibility of defending freedom at home and around the globe. He also reminded guests that despite the dangers associated with their mission, today's soldiers are as committed to freedom as the generations of soldiers who served before them.

"Right now we have about 370,000 soldiers forward deployed in about 120 different locations worldwide, and since 9-11 more than 200 soldiers have been killed and 500 wounded," he said. "But our non-negotiable contract to defend the nation will not be broken. We have always and will always protect our nation."

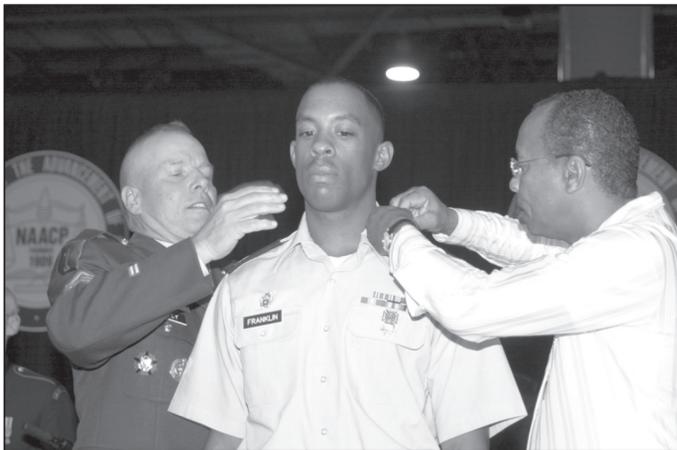


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Spc. Alexander R. Franklin-Murray (center), Army Signal Activity-Southern Command, 93rd Sig. Bde., maintains his composure as Sgt. Maj. of the Army Jack Tilley (left) and his father promote him to sergeant at the 94th Annual National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Convention at the Miami Beach Convention Center, July 15.

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# Community Events

## 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.

## Retirement briefings

Retirement and ABC-C overview briefings for civil service employees are scheduled by the Army Benefits Center on the following dates:

**Tuesday** 1-4 p.m. CSRS Retirement Briefing

**Wednesday** 8 a.m.-noon FERS Retirement Briefing

**Wednesday** 1-2 p.m. ABC-C Overview Briefing

**Wednesday** 2:30-3:30 p.m. ABC-C Overview Briefing

**Thursday** 8 a.m.-noon CSRS Retirement Briefing

Briefings are held in Alexander Hall. Employees need to attend only one of the sessions for the ABC-C Overview Briefing. In addition, employees should only attend one of the retirement briefings that covers the retirement system they are under.

Questions may be directed to the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center at 791-4179 or 791-3044.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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:** Personal Life Skills Workshop-Topic: Time Management

**Friday:** Family Fun Time

Activities Workshop-Topic: Why Playing Games is Important

**Sept. 19:** Couples Empowerment Workshop-Topic: Managing Stress Through Interpersonal Communication

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

For information call 791-0794/4718.

## 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 **Friday and Sept. 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.

## 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 **Thursday**. 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).

## Opera season

The Augusta Opera presents the timeless classic *Carousel* **Thursday - Sept.**

**14** at the Imperial Theatre. Call Mary Ann Woodworth at 826-4710 for information.

## 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.

## 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](http://www.themorris.org).

## Organization day

The 93rd Signal Brigade will hold its Organization Day from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. **Wednesday** 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.

## Fraternity meeting

The next Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity meeting is 7 p.m. **Friday** 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.

## 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.

## The School Yard

The Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program and School Liaison Services presents:



### School workshop

*Preparing 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.

### 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. **Sept. 25** at the Youth Services Building.

For information, go to [www.gordon.army.mil/liaSvc](http://www.gordon.army.mil/liaSvc)

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 **Monday**. 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.

### Identity theft presentation

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Marcia Fox, special agent in charge of the Criminal Investigation Command at Fort Gordon, will present a program on identity theft at the Federally Employed Women's meeting **Wednesday**. The meeting will be held at the Gordon Club at 11:30 a.m. in the Gordon Room. The meeting is open to the public.

A lunch buffet is also available. The program will begin at approximately 11:50 a.m. For information call Judith Creer at 791-5653.

### Coin show

The Stephen James CSRA coin club is having its second annual coin show from 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. **Saturday** at St. Angela's Hall, 118 York St., in Aiken. Admission is free. For information, call (803) 644-0761.

## Fort Gordon REPORT

**COMING UP**

The newest edition of *Army Newswatch* premieres **Monday** and includes the following stories:

- Stryker team in Korea
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- Closer look at e-cybervision

The *Fort Gordon Report* and *Army Newswatch* alternate weeks on Charter Cable Channel 13 on: Mondays and Thursdays at 7:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Fridays at 7 a.m., 12 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m., 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m., and Saturdays and Sundays at 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

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# Treats, not troops, needed in Iraq

Staff Sgt. Marcia Triggs  
Army News Service

**WASHINGTON** – Boxes of treats and books, not more troops, is what some are saying soldiers deployed to Iraq need.

A Reserve officer currently serving in Iraq is trying to open a library in his area of operations to keep soldiers entertained. Operation Freedoms Library has been dubbed the name of the mission, said Maj. Richard Miller, a native from Minneapolis serving with the 19th Corps Materiel Management Center serving with the 19th Support Center in Wiesbaden, Germany.

A friend of Miller's, Lainie Guthrie, came up with the name, and has been instrumental in recruiting friends and coworkers from Hewlett-Packard, he added.

"There are only so many things soldiers can do here, and they eventually will have seen every movie that has been sent and played spades more than enough times," Miller wrote in a mass e-mail that he sent out to friends and family members.

Miller started filling the library's imaginary shelves with magazines left on airplanes, and used books donated by family and friends. Likewise, the zealous reservist got his civilian employer, Toro Com-

pany, involved and is expecting 23 boxes of books and magazines that were collected at a book drive.

"I have friends and organizations from across the U.S. contributing," Miller said. "I did have a publishing company offer 70,000 books from their Tennessee warehouse. They were concerned about the cost of mailing them here so I suggested either a donation to the Red Cross ... or take them to Fort Campbell, (Ky.), and donate them to deployed soldiers in the 101st Airborne (Air Assault) Division."

Romance novels, westerns, technology magazines and a gamut of other types of reading material are needed to round out the library. However, new is not a requirement. "We have been out here so long that old stuff is new to us," Miller said. "It would give the troops that are pulling guard duty and traffic control point duty something to do on their off hours."

Individuals who want to donate reading material to Operation Freedoms Library can e-mail Miller at [richard.alan.miller1@us.army.mil](mailto:richard.alan.miller1@us.army.mil).

Just to see boxes gets soldiers excited, Miller said. And that excitement was the inspiration behind Treats for Troops Inc., according to the president and founder.

Deborah Crane, the spouse of a retired soldier and the mother of an airman, founded the company to make sure soldiers could still get packages from unknown Americans.

Once "Any servicemember" mail was suspended because of terrorist

attacks and the anthrax scare, soldiers risked not getting the morale booster that those packages provide, states Crane on her Web site, [www.treatsfortroops.com](http://www.treatsfortroops.com).

"Our mission is simple, we want to put at least one package in the hands of every American active-

duty military anywhere in the world," said Crane.

Individuals can foster a service member without personally knowing anyone in the service. When soldiers register with the company to receive care packages, Treats For Troops is committed to keeping the soldiers' contact information completely confidential.

Sponsors will know the soldier they are fostering is from Illinois and is called Sam, but won't be given any contact information, the Web site states. TFT is the liaison between soldiers who'd like to be sponsored and Americans who want to show their support for the members of the armed forces.

Once soldiers receive their packages they are able to say "thank you" by logging onto the TFT site. Their messages are then forwarded through a secure server. The sponsor and soldier are not able to contact each other directly.

"Thanks so much for the package, said Stephen in a written Thank you to his sponsor Lawrence from New Jersey.

"It is impossible for me to express in words the feelings one gets when he hears his name called out for mail call ... especially for a package. Thank you for your patriotism, your support and gift. From the bottom of my heart, thank you."



A Reserve officer is promoting Operation Freedoms Library by asking for donations of reading material for soldiers deployed to Iraq.



## The sign of God

Photo by Maj. Tina Schreiner

Bonita Truitt, music director of 93rd Signal Brigade's Protestant Worship Service at the Bicentennial Chapel, uses sign language for a hearing impaired member of the congregation during the 11 a.m. Sunday service. Truitt has been studying American Sign Language and working with hearing impaired children since 1984 in Germany and the United States. She currently signs for Columbia County schools. She is the wife of Chaplain Jim Truitt.

## Soldier and family outreach

Special to the Signal

The chaplain section is having a Soldier and Family Outreach from 10 a.m. -2 p.m. Sept. 13 in the Fort Gordon housing areas.

The title, "America, Bless God!" is this year's theme and the chaplains' message for community members.

During the outreach, chaplains and chaplain assistants, along with volunteers from the Protestant Sunday school, Catholic religious

education and post chapels, will distribute information on religious education classes, worship opportunities, chapel auxiliary groups, special programs and other chaplain services. The purpose is to ensure that soldiers, sailors, Marines, airmen and their family members living on post know about the opportunities open to them.

The volunteers will distribute gift bags of information, which will be placed on the front doors of all

family housing units on post.

Any residents who acknowledge the volunteers will receive a personal invitation to take advantage of chaplain services.

While some volunteers are distributing the bags, others will be giving out ice cream and helium filled balloons to all the children and "kids at heart" at various corners throughout housing areas.

For information call Randy Dillard, religious education director, at 791-4703.

## Letters, small packages get to troops quicker

K.L. Vantran  
American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** – The U.S. Postal Service and the Military Postal Service Agency process about two million pounds of mail a week for troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, and some items make it to the recipient faster than others, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Brian Lomax, agency chief of plans and policy, said Aug. 28.

Depending on where it originates, a letter or package spends "a couple of days" in the USPS system before it reaches either San Francisco or New York City, Lomax said.

Then it travels another 16 to 19 hours by plane before landing in Kuwait or Bahrain. From there, it's picked up or delivered by motor vehicle.

Once in theater, a letter takes seven to 14 days to reach the service member, while a package usually takes 14 to 24 days, Lomax added. Packages make up 90 percent of the mail.

"The mail is getting to the troops," he said. "The troops are happy. Our in-

tent is to continue to make improvements and exceed their expectations."

Using automated mail scanning equipment and increasing the number of people working at mail facilities are two improvements that have speeded up mail delivery, Lomax said.

People who mail letters and packages also can help, he added.

"The size of the package plays an important role," Lomax said. "Large packages take up a lot more room. If there's a choice between taking one large box or a lot of smaller boxes and letters, the large box will stay (at the mail facility). The ideal size is a shoebox. It's also important to correctly address the package."

Aerosol cans, alcoholic beverages, ammunition, fireworks, flammable or explosive materials and illegal or infectious substances are among items that cannot be mailed to service members in Iraq and Afghanistan. For more information, call 1-800-ASK-USPS or visit the USPS Web site at [www.usps.gov](http://www.usps.gov).

Though it's not one of the restricted

items, Lomax recommends against sending chocolate. "Chocolate and 140 degrees makes chocolate paste," he said.

Cookies and sunflower seeds seem to travel well, he added, and placing cookies in a coffee can helps to protect them.

Heat also takes its toll on the tape used in packaging, Lomax said. The USPS Web site states a clear or brown packaging tape, reinforced packing tape or paper tape is best. Cord, string and twine should not be used, because they can get caught in the mail processing equipment.

Service members love to get mail, Lomax continued. "When I was out at sea, it was always a joy to get a letter from home or a copy of a report card. It's an exhilarating feeling: 'I'm out here doing my job, and they haven't forgotten who I am.'"

Lomax said the mail system's success is a result of the joint effort of the USPS and his agency.

"We have motivated soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines who are committed to doing their job to make sure the mail gets to the troops," he said.

## Remaining steadfast

Chaplain (Maj.) Tim Panula  
Family Life Center director

Several years ago I was honored to be the chaplain in the annual Winter Ops training exchange program of the Minnesota Army National Guard and the Norway Home Guard. I learned that some of the barracks at Torpo, Norway, were constructed by the German occupation forces during World War II. These structures remain as a reminder of that difficult time in Norwegian history.

This is also true of the Resistance Museum in Oslo as well as other important sites throughout Norway. For Norwegians, these places represent a steadfast resolve never to let the circumstances of World War II happen again.

I was reminded of this about a year ago as I had an opportunity to visit Washington, D.C. I took several hours to walk around the city, including the Memorial Mall and Arlington Cemetery. There are many incredibly important monuments memorializing people and events of our nation's history in the capital city.

We recently observed the 40th anniversary of the famous "I Have a Dream" speech of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We recently heard State Representative Sue Burmeister's eloquent speech at Fort Gordon about the struggle for women in our nation to obtain the right to vote. We also observed Labor Day. These events and anniversaries signify important memories, or reminders, of the need for steadfastness

and resolve. We could lose, very easily, some of the wonderful "treasures" that we own if we are not steadfast.

Securing and keeping peace and freedom does require a great deal of vigilance. A foundational principle for maintaining our freedom and of peacekeeping is in manning a powerful military force. The role that each soldier performs is an effective part of that force. Each soldier, as well as his/her family, is to be commended for their service to our country.

But, an effective military battles against the "seen" hostile forces of our enemies.

We fight battles on many

other unseen fronts, against factors that will tear our families apart and enemies that war against our soul.

Things like greed, envy, malice, deceit and immorality. For millions of people in all nations (including the United States) there is very little peace and much bondage, turmoil and insecurity. Where is the resolve to stand against these things? On whom can we be steadfast?

A wonderful Old Testament verse states: "You will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you. Trust in the Lord forever because the Lord, is the Rock Eternal." (Isaiah 26:3-4)

## 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

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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.

#### 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

# 'Little Beige Book' aids communication in Iraq

**Staff Sgt. Ward Gros**  
Special to American Forces Press Service

Because he finds it difficult to communicate with the Iraqis, Army Command Sgt. Maj. Bob Szakal holds on to a little beige book a friend from civil affairs gave him.

The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center's "Iraqi Basic Language Survival Guide" is indispensable for talking with the local people, said Szakal, who is assigned to the 171st Area Support Group based in southern Iraq.

Szakal and the 171st sponsor a community relations project helping to rebuild three

Iraqi orphanages - one for boys, one for girls, and another for babies - in the town of An Nasiriyah. He works closely with the director of all three orphanages.

"She speaks a little English, and my Arabic is awful, but this little book helps out a lot," Szakal said. "I get an idea of what she's asking, and with the book I can figure things out."

Szakal's unit recently donated milk that can be stored at room temperature to the infant orphanage. When the director asked him if the milk would stay good even in the 140-degree heat, the book helped him to tell her the long-life dairy milk would last for



Photo by Staff Sgt. Ward Gros

Command Sgt. Maj. Bob Szakal refers to the "Basic Iraqi Language Survival Guide" in a conversation with local Iraqi officials.

six months, as long as it was unopened.

"She kept saying the word

'hamedh,' which means milk in Arabic, and I found that in the book," Szakal said.

## Military recruiting, retention picture looks good

**Jim Garamone**  
American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** - Despite predictions to the contrary, Americans are continuing to volunteer for the military, and those already in service are re-enlisting at a vigorous rate.

Early in the global war on terrorism, many critics predicted the United States would have to return to the draft to man the forces. But in this 30th year of the all-volunteer force, the military continues to meet recruiting and retention goals.

"It's really too early to see what effect Operation Iraqi Freedom will have on recruiting, but the most recent statistics are encouraging," said Air Force Maj. Sandy Burr, a Pentagon spokeswoman. Burr said DoD is making all quality and quantity goals.

"We are exceeding the DoD benchmark for percentage of high school graduates and the percentage of people in the upper half of the (armed forces entrance exam)," she said.

Service officials point to recruiters' hard work as the key to success, but they also say increased patriotism as a result of the war on terror and a bleak economic picture also may play a role in attracting young people to the military.

The Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps all are on course to make year-end recruiting goals. In the reserve components, the Army National Guard is lagging a bit, but officials have dedicated extra resources to the shortfall and expect to make the recruiting goals by Sept. 30, the end of the fiscal year.

The Air Force made its recruiting goals for fiscal 2003, enlisting 32,000 new airmen. This was the fourth year in a row that the service met its goal.

The Navy also is meeting all recruiting goals for fiscal 2003. Navy Recruiting Command officials said the service is on track to bring in 41,767 new sailors. The Navy's retention picture is so good this year, the service was able to lower its goal from the 48,000-recruit target set at the beginning of fiscal 2003.

The Army is doing "very, very well," said Doug Smith, a spokesman with the Army Recruiting Command. The service fully anticipates hitting its recruiting targets this year, as the service has since fiscal 2000, Smith said. Through August, the Army has recruited 67,354 soldiers, with enough enrolled under the delayed entry program to make the 73,800 needed by the end of September. Again, retention has driven down the number of new soldiers needed. The Army's recruiting goal at the beginning of the fiscal year was set at 76,000.

The Marine Corps continues its string of excellent recruiting years. The Corps will "ship" 38,914 recruits to its two training bases. The Marines have monthly, rather than annual, shipping quotas. If the service continues to achieve its recruiting goals through November, it will have done so for 100

straight months.

Retention also is up across the services, especially among service members making the choice to re-enlist following their first term in the service.

Air Force "first termers" re-enlisted at a 60 percent rate. The service was shooting for 55 percent. The Army needed 13,833 first-term soldiers to re-enlist. Instead 14,599 soldiers re-upped, for 106 percent of the retention target.

The Marine Corps did not have retention figures available. Complicating the retention

picture, however, is the end of the Stop-Loss program. The program, which halts separations and retirements in critical specialties during war or crisis, has been lifted. Army officials said they do not expect to see the end of the program mirrored in retention statistics until the first or second quarters of fiscal 2004.

Air Force spokeswoman Jennifer Stephens said the service has not seen the great exodus that many forecast when stop-loss ended.

In all cases, the services are

not taking anything for granted. The Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps will continue to push to get the best, most-qualified people in the military. Officials at all the service recruiting commands said the recruiters are doing outstanding work, and all the services are looking at ways to make recruiters' lives - and their families' lives - easier.

Burr said the Defense Department will continue to examine the recruiting and retention statistics and make program changes as needed.

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# U.S. Troops, aircraft a hit at Moscow air show

Master Sgt. Kenneth Fidler  
American Forces Press Service

**MOSCOW** — Air Force Staff Sgt. Nancy Primm now knows what it's like to be famous.

The KC-135 boom operator from the Royal Air Force base at Mildenhall, England, was part of a team of about 100 people representing the U.S. military at the 6th Moscow Aviation and Space Show here Aug. 19-24. The show marked the first time American aircraft have been on public display on Russian soil.

"People are coming up to us (asking), 'Can we take your picture? Autograph? Autograph?' It's been quite an ex-

perience," Primm said.

At a once-secret air base just south of Moscow, five U.S. planes — the KC-135; a B-52 Stratofortress from Minot Air Force Base, N.D.; a C-130 Hercules from Ramstein Air Base, Germany; an F-15E Strike Eagle from Lakenheath, England; and an F-16CJ Fighting Falcon from Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany — sat among the Russian cargo and fighter aircraft. An F-15C performed a daily aerial demonstration, including a show at opening ceremonies Aug. 19 for Russian President Vladimir Putin. That made Capt. Lenzy Renegar from Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., the first U.S. military pilot to perform for a Rus-

sian president.

"Words can't express the honor and excitement displayed by our troops here in Moscow," said Col. Stephen Mueller, commander of the Air Force's 52nd Fighter Wing at Spangdahlem and of the U.S. military mission at the air show. "This has strengthened our military relationship with Russia in ways that were incomprehensible just 14 years ago (when the Berlin Wall fell). This event has set an encouraging tone for an even stronger partnership between our two militaries."

The show was open Aug. 19-21 to aviation industry representatives, VIPs and media. It opened to the public Aug. 22-

24 and attracted an estimated 700,000 visitors. Children and adults alike clamored to have their pictures taken with the U.S. troops and aircraft, as well as to get the Americans' autographs on posters, flags and hats.

Senior Airman Greg Ciasnocha, an F-16 crew chief based at Spangdahlem with the 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, said he signed T-shirts, hats and even Russian ruble bills.

"Everyone wanted a picture or an autograph," he said. "It was a big thing for them. But I understand how important this is; bringing our fighters and bombers here was a big step toward stronger relations with Russia."

The B-52, the most famous Cold War icon, was parked a football field length away from its Russian equivalent, the Tu-95 "Bear" bomber. Visitors packed 10 lines deep for the entire length of the viewing area to see it. The bomber's crew shook hands, signed thousands of autographs and posed for thousands more photos with Russian children and war veterans.

"I don't even know how to describe it," said Capt. Gary Berger, a B-52 electronic warfare officer. "Who would think a B-52 would fly into Moscow, of all places? People come up and tell me they were in the Strategic Rocket Forces and studied the B-52 for years to shoot me down, and now we're here together. It's amazing, and I'm glad the world evolved this way."



Photo by Master Sgt. Kenneth Fidler, USAF

Crowds surround U.S. aircraft on display at the 6th Moscow Aviation and Space Show Aug. 19-24 at Ramenskoye Airfield just south of Moscow. U.S. aircraft, including the F-16CJ, F-15E, KC-135 and C-130, sat among Russian cargo and fighter aircraft. Because of its wing span, the B-52 was on display at the far end of the display area.

## Be a winner - stay in school

### DoD school students score high on national test

Sgt. 1st Class  
Doug Sample  
American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — The 2003 tests results show Defense Department school system students scored consistently higher than the national average on a standardized test. But Joseph Tafoya, director of the Department of Defense Education Activity, is already looking at ways to improve the upcoming school year's curriculum for even better results in the future.

"We're trying to be a leader. We're trying to look at programs and try to make them better so that our students are more successful," Tafoya said. "And so our efforts to improve test scores continue; our efforts to have kids have more access to challenging courses continue. We know that every kid in our system needs to take algebra and geometry, and not only do they need to take it, they need to be successful. So we're putting (in) a lot of time and effort to do that."

Results from the 2003 TerraNova Second Edition standardized test revealed DoD students in grade levels 3-11 scored higher than the national 50th-percentile average in the United States.

The TerraNova is a nationally standardized achievement test in which students are evaluated in reading language arts, math, social studies and science. Results from the tests are compared with those of students across the nation and show how well students are mastering skills in those subjects.

Test results showed DoD students consistently scored 10-20 points above the national average of 50 percent in 37 of the 45 subtests, and 21-25 points higher in five subtests. They scored seven

to nine points higher than the 50th-percentile average in three subtests.

Tafoya said he hopes curriculum changes in the upcoming school year at DoD high schools will result in even better test results. He said this year's high school curricula were standardized to focus on skills in literacy and algebra, along with language support and computer-oriented instruction in math. Some of the high school level curriculum changes will be considered for elementary and middle schools in the future "to ensure that all kids are getting the same curriculum and the same opportunity," he said.

Another initiative Tafoya said may have helped students score well on the standardized test was the educational activity's focus on getting students to read.

"We started with our reading support classes to address, at the high school level, those students who were reading very well and were reluctant and poor readers. We had phenomenal success with that," Tafoya explained. "This year we're going to expand it to include our language-support classes to give these students and others a better opportunity to develop

their writing skills, their oral communication skills (and) their editing skills, along with their reading skills, because we know that language arts proficiency is what's going to make our students successful."

Tafoya also reported that DoD schools scored high on the National Assessment of Education Progress evaluation test, often called the "nation's report card." As with the TerraNova test, NAEP assesses students' know-how in various subject areas. He said the gap between minority and other students was the smallest in the nation and that overall writing scores among DoD students ranked first.

"So we have this very high-level degree of success," Tafoya said. "Obviously we're very proud of those scores, but we're not going to sit back and say we're doing pretty good. We're continuing use that as an emphasis, and help our kids and DoD schools to be among the best," he said.

Tafoya said having successful students has been the work of "great administrators and teachers." But, he added, the "hallmark" of the military education program has been the parents and military commands that support DoD schools.

"They are very interested," he said. "The quality of the education of their students is paramount all the way from the very top at the level of the Pentagon down to the local bases and schools. So with that, we believe we have an advantage."

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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.

**3D ARCHERY TOURNAMENT** - A 3D Hunting Class Tournament will be held September 7 at Range 14. Registration begins at 10 a.m. and shooting begins at 11 a.m. This is a 30-target tournament with eight classes. Over \$1,400 in prizes will be awarded! Free t-shirts will be given to the first 75 participants. The cost is \$15 per person and \$7.50 per person for FGSC members. Open to the public!

**HUNTER EDUCATION CLASS** - September 10 & 11. The course is held at the EAMC 1st floor auditorium from 6pm to 10pm each night. Hunters wishing to hunt on Fort Gordon must complete both nights of this course. The course is free of charge and open to the public. Pre-registration is recommended at [www.georgiawildlife.com](http://www.georgiawildlife.com).

**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

#### Sports and fitness

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. For information, call Mildred Brown at 791-2947 or go to [www.ndeita.com](http://www.ndeita.com).

#### 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.

#### 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](http://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 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**.

#### Archery tournament

The Fort Gordon Sportsman's Club is holding a 3-D Archery Hunting Class Tournament **Sunday** beginning at 10 a.m.

It is a 30 target tournament, hunting bow only, and will be held at Range 14 on post.

There are 10 classes, men, women and youth. More than \$1,700 in prizes will be awarded.

For more information, call the Sportsman's Club at 791-5078 or 833-2834.



Photos by Sgt. Ryan Matson

Staff Sgt. Paul Shaffer, 31st Intelligence Squadron, U.S. Air Force, accepts the first-place battalion-level softball trophy from Lt. Col. Richard Karlsson, Department of Public Safety.

## Air Force claims battalion-level softball championship

Sgt. Ryan Matson  
Military editor

It was a two-game long-ball festival for the 31st Intelligence Squadron, U.S. Air Force, who exploded for seven home runs to claim the post battalion-level softball championship on Field Two Tuesday.

Senior Airman John Beals led the airmen's charge with three round-trippers to sweep the U.S. Army Garrison command 8-7, 12-4. The garrison team entered the contests undefeated in the play-offs, forcing the airmen to sweep the series or go home with second place. The airmen rose to the occasion to stifle the USAG attack and take home first place honors.



Spc. Shaun Swindle, 35th Military Police Detachment, U.S. Army Garrison command, belts a line drive up the middle in Tuesday's post battalion-level championship softball action. USAG dropped both games to the U.S. Air Force Detachment, 8-7, 12-4.

# Nevels named starting quarterback

## Junior signal-caller prevails in five-way battle for lead role

WEST POINT, N.Y. – It's been a highly competitive battle, but head coach Todd Berry ended the five-way tussle for Army's starting quarterback job on Monday when he named Reggie Nevels to open beneath center for the Black Knights' season opener versus Connecticut on Sept. 6.

When preseason camp opened nearly three weeks ago, the starting quarterback race remained wide open, a five-way fight between returnees Nevels, Zac Dahman, Laron Bybee, Matt Silva and Connor Crehan.

Berry and his staff sliced the list of potential starters to three (Nevels, Silva and Bybee) following the team's first intra-squad scrimmage last weekend, then named Nevels the starter and Bybee the top backup earlier today based on last week's practice and scrimmage sessions.

"I didn't really have a timetable set," Berry explained. "Obviously we knew that we were going to try to name one this week. I wanted to see that there was enough separation, and I think there's been enough separation over the last couple of weeks to be able to name one now."

"We feel good about it. I think it was becoming very apparent to everyone, not just the coaches, but everyone on the team."

"They made the decision very difficult on us. I knew that they would because they are



Courtesy photos

Junior Reggie Nevels will lead the Army Black Knights college football team in their home opener against Connecticut Saturday.

great competitors. That's a good news story because you want to have that kind of competition at every position."

"As a coach, it should be hard to name starters. If it's easy to name starters, you don't have enough depth. I'd feel very, very comfortable playing any of the five. That's certainly comforting going into this season, in relation to last year."

While all five returnees put forth strong efforts in their attempt to claim the lead role, Nevels steadily moved to the

## BOSS Happenings

The Fort Gordon chapter of Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers has several events coming up on the calendar.

**BOSS CONFERENCE** – The annual BOSS Conference will be held in Lansdown, Va., from Sept. 15 to Sept. 19. Three BOSS representatives from every Army post in the world will all come together to discuss issues with their BOSS programs. Representing Fort Gordon at this year's conference will be BOSS coordinator Spc. Ariane Gonzalez, Command Sgt. Maj. Clark Dimery Sr., Sgt. Latanga Clinton, both of the U.S. Army Garrison command, and BOSS program advisor Ayanna Wiggins, Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

**DISNEY WORLD TRIP** – BOSS is sponsoring a four-day trip to Disney World in Orlando, Fla., from Sept. 26 to Sept. 29. Admission to Disney World is free to active duty military, and hotel accommodations are \$50 a night. BOSS will be taking the first 40 soldiers from post to sign up for the trip. There are still slots open, but all payment must be made by Sept. 15. For more information, call 791-6779.

**CAR SHOW** – As part of the Oktoberfest celebration on post, BOSS will be holding a car and motorcycle show on Oct. 4. Professional judges will judge entrants on a variety of categories including best paint job, domestic vehicle, import vehicle and "old-school" vehicle. Registration fee is \$20 per bike and \$25 per car by Sept. 18, and \$10 more after that date. The event is open to the public, ages 18 and older. For more information, call 791-6779.

**BASKETBALL CLASSIC** – A three-on-three basketball tournament will be held in Gym One Dec. 6 starting at 9 a.m. Trophies for winning teams, music and food are all part of the tournament. The entrance fee for a three-man team is \$25. Teams can enter up until the first game tips off. For more information, call 791-6779.

up, and he had to make some plays. He was calm and composed. When he came back in the huddle he looked at everybody's eyes and everybody looked at him as the field general. That was good to see."

Army's starting quarterback entering last season, Nevels suffered a torn hamstring during second-quarter action of the Black Knights' season opener versus Holy Cross.

The injury limited him to just three other starts the remainder of the season and hampered his mobility throughout the year. After sitting out spring drills due to personal reasons, Nevels entered preseason camp listed fifth on Army's the depth chart.

With preseason camp winding down, Berry stated that he was pleased with the overall progress his club has displayed the past few weeks.

"We feel pretty comfortable with where we're at right now. Barring any injury, I don't see there being any dramatic changes on the 'two-deep' from here on out," Berry mentioned.

"We'll begin game preparation on Connecticut, but we'll also back off the hitting. We've had a tough camp. We got after it physically, both from a contact standpoint and a conditioning standpoint."

"We've certainly had enough heat this year to fight through some adversity there. I feel good about our condi-

tioning. Right now, we're a fairly healthy team."

"I Last year, I thought, as a staff, we did the best job that I've ever been a part of as far as trying to get a team prepared to play and covering all the situations."

"You had to do that last year with a young football team. We were so young that every minute detail was covered. We've been able to do that this year, but cover things in even more detail."

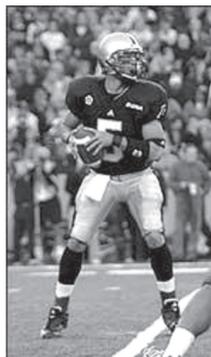
"We'll go live for one day just to make sure that we're staying fresh."

"You can't go two weeks without hitting. We've already introduced a little bit of UConn and some of our other opponents. We'll just kind of start sharpening the tools now."

The Black Knights' open their 114th season of intercollegiate competition with four consecutive games at Michie Stadium, Army's first season-opening four-game homestand since 1976.

In addition to hosting Connecticut on Sept. 6, Rutgers (Sept. 13), Tulane (Sept. 20) and South Florida (Sept. 27) visit West Point next month. Tickets for all Black Knight contests are available at the Army Ticket Office or by calling 1-877-TIX-ARMY.

**Editors note:** This story appears courtesy of the Army Black Knights official web page, [goarmysports.ocsn.com/m-football](http://goarmysports.ocsn.com/m-football).



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**AN "EVENING IN PRAISE"** Will feature the Pain College Gospel Choir, Voices in Ministry from Georgia Southern University, and the Savannah State University Choir. Sunday, September 7 at 3 p.m. at the Pain College Gilbert Lambuth Chapel. This event is free to the public.

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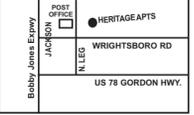
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Bob Anzuoni, new director of the Signal Corps museum, stands beside one of the museum's prize exhibits, a Signal Corps flag which was flown from Appomattox Court House, where the Civil War ended.

## Signal Corps Museum introduces soldiers, public to branch history

**Sgt. Ryan Matson**  
Military editor

Did you know that the Signal Corps has won two Oscars?

Did you know that at one time the Signal Corps was in charge of the Army aviation program, a predecessor of the Air Force?

Did you know Fort Gordon is named after a Confederate general, John Brown Gordon, commander of the "Raccoon Roughs" during the Civil War?

Well all this information and more can be found in the Signal Corps Museum in Conrad Hall by Signal Tower. The museum has several hundred pieces of historical memorabilia on display which walk a visitor chronologically through the history of the Signal Corps. The journey begins with former Civil War general Albert Myer's inception of the Signal Corps, and includes old Signal Corps Civil War uniforms, a section on the Signal Corps' relationship with aviation, various pieces of Signal equipment from torches and flags to advanced satellite equipment, and much more.

Bob Anzuoni has been the museum's director for three months, filling a position that had been vacant for six months. He explained that every branch of the Army has a museum devoted to it at the post headquarters.

The mission of the Signal Corps Museum is to act as a training museum for students on post to learn branch history, Anzuoni said. Like any other museum, part of the Signal Corps Museum's mission is to preserve and house historical memorabilia, he said.

"A museum only displays a certain percentage of its items," Anzuoni explained. He said the museum actually owns more than 4,000 pieces of Corps history, some of which is stored below the museum and some in Brems Barracks.

One of Anzuoni's goals as the new director, he said, is to rotate some of this memorabilia into the current display, and to gradually improve the flow of the timeline of exhibits. He added he would like to acquire some more recent, post Korean War, items to exhibit.

Prior to coming here, Anzuoni, a former paratrooper with the 82nd Airborne Division, served as director of the 82nd Airborne Museum at Fort Bragg for 10 years. He has written two books on 82nd Airborne Division history, and said he has had several offers to write further books on military history, should he find the time in his schedule to do so.

A Signal Corps museum has actually been in existence since 1965, Anzuoni said. He said the museum was originally located at Fort Monmouth, N.J., when it was the home of the Signal Corps, and moved to Fort Gordon when the Signal Corps came here in the mid-'70s. The museum has been housed at various locations on post including the current Fort Gordon Credit Union building, he said. The museum has been located in Conrad Hall for five years.

Anzuoni said the number of people visiting the museum fluctuates depending on what is happening on post.

"Sometimes it will be a few and sometimes it will be hundreds," he said. "On days when there are graduations and celebrations going on nearby, families and other people will come in."

Since the museum is a training museum, Anzuoni said many of the people who use the museum are Signal Officer Basic candidates, Signal Advanced Individual Training students, and Signal Noncommissioned Officer students. The museum is open to the public, however, Anzuoni said, and plays host to Boy and Girl Scout troops, veterans organizations, school children and visitors of all types.

He said in addition to providing a place for people to learn Signal Corps and post history, the Signal Corps Museum also provides a place for historical ceremonies, such as the cake-cutting ceremony each year on the Army's birthday, soldier promotion ceremonies and other events.

The museum is open Tuesday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Now, back to the opening question about the Oscars. It's true, the Signal Corps once had a movie studio in New York City under its jurisdiction which made two movies, mostly for training purposes, featuring an all-Army cast, that won Oscars. The movies were *Seeds of Destiny* and *Towards Independence*. One of the Oscars is on display in the Signal Corps Museum.



(Right) This mannequin toting a .30-caliber machine gun is part of one of the World War II Signal displays featured at the Signal Corps Museum in Conrad Hall.



(Above) This statue of the Greek god Mercury, the fabled messenger, was a gift from British Signal officers to American Signal Corps officers at the end of World War II. Mercury is the symbol of the British Signal Corps.



(Above) Lt. Lisa Halvorson, Signal Officer Basic Course class 06-03, checks out a Korean War Signal display. Halvorson's class was one of the Signal Corps classes using the museum to learn the branches' history.

(Right) The museum also features a collection of military art relevant to the Signal Corps, such as this commissioned painting from the World War II era.



(Above) A Signal Corps motorcycle courier from World War II. The Harley Davidson motorcycle, by the way, still runs.

(Right) A display of the man who started it all, Civil War officer Albert J. Myer, founder of the U.S. Army Signal Corps.

