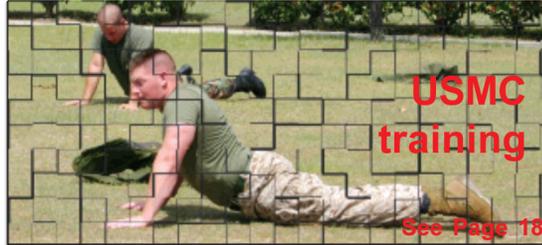




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U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon commander Brig. Gen. Janet Hicks will be promoted to major general at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the Signal Center flagpole.

General talks to community

Brig. Gen. Janet Hicks, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon commander, is the guest speaker during the next two "Comcast Connect Live" television shows hosted by Austin Rhodes. The interview can be seen at 7:30 p.m. on Comcast Channel 4, Monday and June 7.

The show will be repeated at noon, and 3 and 10:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays on Comcast Channel 66 following each original broadcast.

The interview will also appear on the installation command channel at a later time.

Town Hall meeting

The next Gordon Terrace Town Hall meeting is 6-8 p.m. June 15 at Freedom Park Elementary School.

Leaders of units post wide who have personnel residing in Gordon Terrace are encouraged to attend and support this forum. Gordon Terrace residents are encouraged to attend.

For information, call 791-8313.

Concert tickets

The Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation presents Train in concert at 8 p.m. June 18 at Barton Field. Tickets cost \$15; \$20 at the gate. Advance tickets available at the Post Exchange, Aladdin Travel, the bowling center, Fort Gordon credit union and the dinner theater.

For information, call Steve Walpert at 791-4389.

Beach blast

The Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation is having a Beach Blast at noon Saturday at Fort Gordon's Clark Hill Recreation Area beach.

Activities include a volleyball tournament, kid's games, music, food sales and more. For information, call 541-1057.

Scholarships available

The Sergeants Major Association of Fort Gordon is offering scholarships for the graduating class of 2004. Applicant must be a legal dependent of an active, reserve, retired, or deceased military person living in the CSRA.

Applications are available at Army Community Services and are due June 22. For information, call Christine Hernandez at 791-0792.



Photo by Pfc. Armando Monroy

Georgia governor visits post

Brig. Gen. Eric Schoomaker, Southeast Regional Medical Command and Eisenhower Army Medical Center commander, talks with Georgia Governor Sonny Perdue during his tour of the installation's Center for Total Access medical manekin laboratory Tuesday. Perdue completed his two-day tour of military bases within the state with a visit to Fort Gordon Tuesday afternoon. While here, Perdue was given a briefing on current missions as well as a short tour of the installation by Brig. Gen. Jan Hicks, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon commander, and Col. Robert Henderson, Garrison commander. Several local elected officials joined the governor during his visit, which also included a briefing at the Gordon Regional Security Operations Center.

Deadline nearing for re-enlistment bonus

Army News Service

WASHINGTON – An estimated 5,000 Soldiers who re-enlisted in the theater of operations last year may be eligible for a sizable bonus, and officials said only 341 have applied so far.

Bonuses up to \$5,000 will be retroactively paid to Soldiers, between the ranks of specialist and staff sergeant, with 17 months to 10 years in service, who re-enlisted between March 18, 2003 through Sept. 18, 2003, while assigned or attached to units deployed in Afghanistan, Kuwait or Iraq.

As of now, the Human Resources Command has received only 341 Soldier elections to take advantage of the bonus. Soldiers who believe they may be eligible should contact their career counselor for eligibility determination and assistance in obtaining the bonus, HRC officials said.

Soldiers have until June 30 to contact their career counselors and request the lump sum payment. The program will still be open through July, but career counselors will have to submit

all pertinent information to the Retention Management Division for review.

Last year the Army had money and was looking to boost retention, said Ron Canada, chief of the HRC Retention Management Division.

So it announced that it would give a special bonus up to \$5,000 to Soldiers who re-enlisted Sept. 19 through Sept. 30.

If a Soldier received a bonus based on his military occupational specialty, he is not entitled to receive the lump sum of \$5,000 in addition to it. However, he is entitled to the bonus equaling the higher amount, the MILPER message stated.

"We will continue to rely on a robust Selective Re-enlistment Bonus Program to enable achievement of our retention program. Developing ways to retain Soldiers directly engaged in the ongoing war on terror is critical," said Les Brownlee, acting secretary of the Army.

(Update based on HRC Public Affairs and an original article posted April 18 by Sgt. 1st Class Marcia Triggs.)

Force protection multiplied

Staff Sgt. Stacy Wamble
Signal military editor

The Fort Gordon security force has had a recent addition.

Vance Security Services, a multi-national security firm, assists the Department of Army police and Fort Gordon military police with access control point operations, according to Chief Leo Libby, project manager for Vance Security Services and chief of guards.

"It allows (the Army) to free up those National Guard and reserve units that had been performing the vehicle inspections and access controls at (Continental United States) installations. It allows them to demobilize, and the National Guard, Army can use them in other capacities," said Libby.

The company is responsible for checking identification and performing inspections on vehicles entering the installation in accordance with Fort Gordon policy.

"Everything our guys are doing out there is dictated by the Army, not by Vance Security. We are here to provide service to the customer, the customer being the Army and the Fort Gordon community," Libby said.

Before joining the DA police and the Fort Gordon MPs May 5, Vance personnel underwent three weeks of core training

and one week of installation training. Core training included training in first aid, weapons qualification, understanding law, and handcuffing. Installation training involved classroom and practical exercise in applying the Fort Gordon policy.

"(The installation training) clears up any misunderstandings. Any time you have (a standard operating procedure), sometimes there is a word or two that might make one person think one way and another person think this way, and the ac-

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tual hands-on component allowed us to clear up any questions," said Libby.

"We are here to provide a service to the military. We want to be able to respond to the customer's need as much as possible. We want to provide the best service that we can," said Libby.

And they are succeeding thus far.

"They are doing an outstanding job," said Fort Gordon Provost Marshal Maj. Kendrick McCormick. "They are helping us do our mission of providing security to the installation, Soldiers, family members, civilian employees and visitors to the installation. Without them we clearly couldn't do the job we're supposed to."

Brownies in Army boots

Sgt. Sam Smith
Signal staff

The local Fort Gordon Brownie troop got a taste of Army life and equipment in the field Tuesday.

The 235th Signal Company hosted Brownie Troop 239 at Training Area 26, where it set up different activity stations under camouflage nets.

"(I liked) all of it. (My favorite was) the truck," Capt. Ashley Roberts said about the mobile communication High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle.

"It's really neat. We learned the way (Soldiers) communicate," she said of the Signal equipment.

In addition to the HMMWV, Soldiers showed the Brownies different weapons, Nuclear, Biological and Chemical gear, helmets, vests, camouflage paint and other gear. Although the troop couldn't touch the weapons, they had a chance to play with almost all of the other equipment, including applying camouflage paint and getting a



Soldiers showed the Brownies various weapons, Signal communications equipment and night vision goggles.

ride in a HMMWV.

This was the first time the 235th set up a demonstration like this for the Brownies. If the girls liked the event, they may be back next year said Tanya Cave, one of the events coordinators.

Cave coordinated the event with Maj. Tina Shreiner, 93rd Signal Brigade public affairs officer, after the Brownies donated cookies to the 93rd ear-

lier in the year (the 235th belongs to the 93rd).

The program was modeled after a similar one designed for adult civilians.

"(The Brownies) love it. They're having a great time," said Staff Sgt. Anthony Forestner, the event noncommissioned officer in charge. "I think the Soldiers are having just as good a time, and that's great."



Photos by Sgt. Sam Smith

Girls from Brownie Troop 239 check out their new camouflage make up.

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Promotion board convenes earlier for senior NCOs

Sgt. 1st Class Marcia Triggs
Army News Service

WASHINGTON – The sergeant first class promotion board will be held three months earlier than scheduled, and selected noncommissioned officers will start pinning on rank in February, officials said.

The promotion board was first scheduled for February, but was changed to November. The master sergeant promotion board will be held one month earlier in September instead of the originally scheduled start of October.

Convening the boards ahead of schedule ensures the Army has the right number of Soldiers in these ranks as it fights the Global War on Terrorism, said officials from the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, G1.

The fiscal year 2003 sergeant first class board selected enough NCOs to meet the promotion needs for a 19-month period.

"However, the current list will be exhausted earlier than anticipated, and if we don't react it will cause a drop in readiness," said Sgt. Maj. Gerald Purcell, the Directorate Military Personnel Policy, G1 sergeant major.

Soldiers should go to the Human Resources Command Web site at www.hrc.army.mil to make sure their official military file is accurate, said Master Sgt. Fred Liggett, the G1 personnel policy integrator.

"Soldiers shouldn't wait for the military personnel message to come out," Liggett said. "Most Soldiers know that they are in the zone. They can go online and check photos, awards and evaluation reports."

The deadline to update information for noncommissioned officers who are in the zone for promotion to master sergeant is

Aug. 20. The deadline for those eligible for promotion to sergeant first class will be announced in a MILPER message tentatively scheduled for release in July.

The Enlisted Record and Evaluation Center will notify all Soldiers eligible for promotion consideration through their Army Knowledge Online e-mail account.

Current Army policy requires Soldiers being considered for either master sergeant or sergeant first class be graduates of the Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course or the Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course respectively. However, Headquarters Department of the Army waivers will be given for those who are unable to complete the requisite course because Human Resources Command has not scheduled them to attend school or because of a deployment, officials said.

"This is the right thing to do," Purcell said. "This takes care of any Soldier, who because of Army requirements, and through no fault of their own, is unable to get to school. We will make sure that they are not denied promotion opportunities that they are entitled to."

The waivers will be issued from HRC, Purcell said, and Soldiers don't need to take any action.

Purcell emphasized the waivers allow Soldiers to be considered for promotion, but does not waive attendance at Noncommissioned Officer Education System schools. The requirement to complete and graduate from the course is still there, he said.

"It will catch up with them eventually if they don't get it (NCOES) done," Purcell said. "All Soldiers need to do their best to get scheduled into their NCOES course as soon as it's practical and that it's for their own benefit in terms of professional development."



Pretty kitty

Bert is a young, male domestic short hair cat available for adoption at the Fort Gordon Veterinary Treatment Facility. He's uniquely handsome, black with subtle grey stripes. Bert has lots of energy and will keep his new owner happily busy. Adoption fee is \$60 and includes all shots, spay or neuter, and microchip. The VTF is located at 500 North Range Rd., and is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. For information about Bert or the other animals currently available for adoption, call 787-3815.

Photo by Marla Greene

New program identifies savings

Bonnie Powell
Defense Commissary Agency

FORT LEE, Va. – Just in time for the Memorial Day weekend, commissaries worldwide are rolling out the red, white and blue carpet to make sure customers know about the savings they've earned – the savings they deserve. The *Savings You've Earned* program rolls out at the end of May as the finale of Commissary Awareness Month.

"Just look for the new signs of savings," said Maj. Gen. Michael P. Wiedemer, Defense Commissary Agency director.

"We want all shoppers to be aware of their commissary savings of 30 percent or more. *Savings You've Earned* shelf signs will make it easier for customers to see what's on sale – and what's the best deal."

Three new "signs of savings" are red, white and blue starbursts framing product prices. 'Every Day Savings' indicates better-than-average savings, or everyday low prices, and 'Value Savings' indicate the lowest prices when compared to like items at the commissary or at commercial grocery stores. "If you see a product with 'Extra Savings'

on it – grab it," said Patrick Nixon, DeCA deputy director. "Those are the best prices you'll see anywhere, anytime on name brand items. They're so great they are only available for a limited time and while quantities last."

"We are confident the new program will be well received," said Scott Simpson, DeCA's chief operating officer. "It delivers the message to all active duty, Guard and Reserve, and retiree families that commissary savings of 30 percent or more is not only savings you deserve, but savings you've earned."

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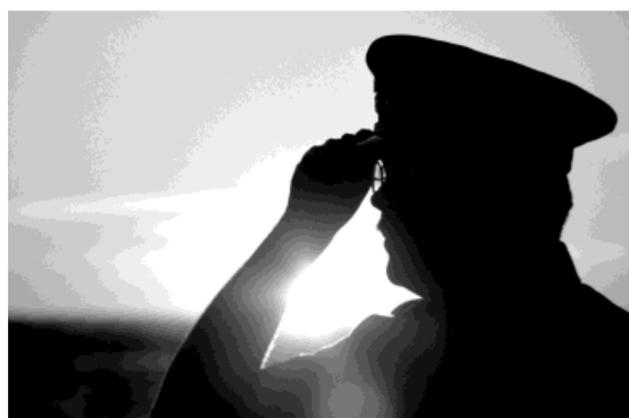
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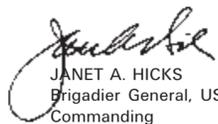
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COMMANDING GENERAL'S MEMORIAL DAY MESSAGE

Memorial Day is a deeply meaningful national holiday, especially for those who now serve or who ever served in America's armed forces. On Memorial Day, we take time to remember and honor those who have given their lives in defense of our beloved nation and in preservation of our great heritage. Sadly, the roll of those special heroes has grown since last year's remembrance.

With America again in conflict, we are reminded that the freedoms we cherish are not secured without great cost. The payment has been made over the course of our nation's history by over a million of our fellow Americans who selflessly gave their lives when their country called upon them. We can be thankful that their sacrifice was not in vain, for America remains, more than ever, the world's greatest symbol of liberty and democracy.

Memorial Day is more than a day of commemoration and leisure. It is a very special day of reflection, on the sacrifices made by those who served before us and by those currently in harm's way. It is a day to remember America's heroes, past and present. We can never forget that their desire to preserve our freedoms exceeded their concern for personal safety and well-being. Because of their courage, their unselfish patriotism, and their sacrifice, they and their families deserve our blessings, our thoughts, and our recognition. They bring added pride to all Americans, and to the legacy of service to nation by every member of America's armed forces.


JANET A. HICKS
Brigadier General, USA
Commanding

'Stolen valor' dishonors our heroes who served

Stan Heath
Army News Service

Medals for valor are paid for with sweat, blood, and in too many cases with the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

Surviving families don't ask for a crisply folded flag or a posthumous award for their loved ones' bravery. They would much rather have their Soldier safely home and out of danger.

We recently learned that all citizens don't understand the true meaning of integrity regarding medals for valor.

The U.S. Army Personnel Command awards branch recently assisted the Federal Bureau of Investigation in bringing to closure an allegation that a Rhode Island man had fabricated documents to upgrade his Bronze Star to the Distinguished Service Cross (DSC).

Unbeknownst to the Army, a congressman presented a fake certificate and store-bought DSC to him in 2000. The veteran's secret went undiscovered for three years. The Vietnam veteran recently admitted that he fraudulently created a letter from the Army to a congressman advising him that the Army

had awarded him the DSC, the military's second-highest honor.

"Actions of stolen valor dishonor all warriors whose valorous deeds have earned them every citizen's respect, appreciation and love for protecting our way of life," said retired Col. Roger Donlon.

Donlon, the first Vietnam Medal of Honor recipient, was a captain in 1964. He commanded Special Forces Detachment A-726 at Camp Nam Dong when a Viet Cong battalion attacked the camp. Donlon was awarded the Medal of Honor by President Lyndon Johnson in 1965.

"Medals of valor are never won, they are earned in actions against a hostile enemy and these actions go above and beyond the call of duty. Every recipient of such an award accepts these sacred honors with the highest sense of responsibility. They dedicate themselves to upholding the dignity of each award for all who have served honorably and continue to serve," Donlon said. Freedom isn't free and valor awards are not meant to be bought and sold on the Internet or engraved in trophy shops.

Editor's note: Lt. Col. Stan Heath is the public affairs officer for the U.S. Army Personnel Command.

Feedback

Pfc. Armando Monroig

What does Memorial Day mean to you?



After going to Bosnia, doing time over there — I found out it's hard. It's very hard not being able to see your family and everything. So, I take my hat off to all veterans and anybody else who has duty overseas.

John Bookman
HHC 218, Newberry, S.C.



All my Memorial Days were spent on Army bases, doing Army things that Army kids do. It's something you can't forget — the sacrifices that other people make, like the sacrifices we've made for our country.

Sharon Schroeder
freelance writer



It's probably one of my favorite holidays because it marks the beginning of the summer but more importantly it's the time of the year you get to reflect on what past veterans have done for us. It is definitely time to reflect and enjoy the freedoms that these people have put their lives on the line for.

Staff Sgt. Michael Britt,
C Company, 442nd Signal
Battalion



Brings back a few memories. If it hadn't been for the good old U.S.A. and these servicemembers, they had to fight for Memorial Day too you know. Right now I just enjoy it to the best of my ability. I feel I have (contributed) something to it — military tie as well as my forefathers.

James Troy
Retired Army veteran

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Tom Giroir

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"I never shop at the base exchange (BX). There are better deals downtown." How many times have you heard that?

Well, my experience has been much different. And, my wife, Linda, bought a pair of slacks the other day. Some guy name Ralph Lauren made them, and for some reason, that made them expensive — as in \$89 expensive! But, the BX's original price was only \$66. That's not only a \$25 savings, but it's about 26 percent below the local retail price.

And the story gets better. The slacks, on the clearance rack, were marked down 50 percent.

I'm sure that you are thinking that if the slacks were on the clearance rack, they must have been ugly. But actually, the slacks were on the clearance rack simply to move merchandise — something all retailers have to do now and then. With the additional 50 percent discount, the original \$89 slacks were now only \$33. A savings of about 63 percent. Now, when compared to everyday "guy pants" that still isn't cheap. But then, Ralph Lauren doesn't usually make pants that I wear.

My wife bought these slacks during a BX "Buy More, Save More" sale. That means, the more you buy, the more you save. There are certain restrictions that go with this, but it is a great way to save even more money. By purchasing five items or more, she got another (yes an additional) 50 percent off each item. In this case, the formerly \$89 slacks now cost only \$16.50. Oh, and no tax, since that is one of our military benefits.

The way my calculator works, that's about 82 percent off the original price — and the price they sell for at our local malls. This is a true story. The prices have not been changed to protect the innocent. Watch out for my wife. She is on a mission to save money — and she does, at our local Army, Air Force Exchange Service.

Editor's note: The writer is the command chief master sergeant for the 70th Intelligence Wing at Fort Meade, Md.



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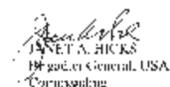
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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL FORT GORDON PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: Memorial Day - Summer Safety

1. Memorial Day is a time to honor the thousands of Americans who sacrificed their lives in past and present wars so that we may continue to live in freedom. This long holiday weekend also signals the beginning of the summer season and increased risk of accidents.
2. Privately owned vehicle (POV) accidents are the primary cause of accidental fatalities. Contributing factors include speed, loss of control, alcohol, fatigue, adverse weather and road conditions, and failure to use seat belts. Avoid danger as motorists. Fort Gordon Military Police will continue the "Click It or Ticket" Campaign to include stopping vehicles, using check-points, and issuing tickets to drivers or passengers not wearing seat belts.
3. Motorcycles are inherently dangerous. New riders are at the greatest risk of being involved in accidents. Motorcyclist safety training improves a rider's chance of avoiding a collision or surviving an accident. Motorcyclist safety training is also required for anyone registering or riding a motorcycle on-post. This training is offered through the Installation Safety Office.
4. Summer time will also bring an increase in other recreational activities to include water sports. Remember, alcohol is the second leading cause of accidental death. Unsupervised swimming, unsafe boating, and alcohol consumption often lead to tragedy. Be aware of the hazards, take precautions, and use sound judgment in all your summer activities.
5. Commanders and leaders will ensure summer safety awareness briefings and PDR inspections are conducted prior to the holiday weekends. Summer holiday safety materials are available at MS Outlook Public Folders. All Public Folders (PG folders) Safety folders include summer safety lesson plans, POV safety, water safety, risk management, and heat injury prevention. Additional safety announcements, to include POV, hot air balloons, are at Post Safety Army.mil.
6. Have a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day holiday weekend and a sunny summer.


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Nabila Gomes, Glenn Hills High School senior, receives her \$500 AFCEA scholarship check from Brig. Gen. Gregory Premo, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon deputy commanding general. The AFCEA chapter handed out \$17,000 in scholarships May 19 to local high school seniors and college students.

Governmental group distributes scholarships

Denise Allen
Signal staff

Choosing a career wasn't difficult for Summer Jackson.

"All my life I've wanted to be an engineer. Math is my absolute favorite subject," said the North Augusta High School senior who is one of several area students to receive scholarships from the Augusta-Fort Gordon Chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association.

Students were honored at a reception May 19 at the Gordon Club.

"Today is the closing of the loop for me, because some months ago I was able to present the Science Teaching Tools Awards to the teachers of the CSRA," said Brig. Gen. Gregory Premo, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon deputy commanding general. "We at Fort Gordon are happy to present these scholarships to young people pursuing technology degrees; they have worked hard for this."

Jackson, who plans to at-

tend Clemson University, received a new scholarship - the \$1,500 Lapp Scholarship, named in memory of retired Lt. Col. Jerry Lapp who served in the Signal Corps for 26 years. Most of the AFCEA scholarship awards are \$1,000.

AFCEA also awarded a \$500 JROTC scholarship to Nabila Gomes of Glenn Hills High School who welcomed the award. Gomes, who will attend Georgia State University, says she is glad for the scholarship, because the Hope Scholarship is changing, and she needs the funding for books and room and board.

Candidates were judged on several criteria including grade point average, awards and honors, and community service. Also, they had to write an essay.

"You made our job very difficult, because all the applicants had such outstanding packets," said Alrena Garrett, scholarship chairwoman.

AFCEA raises funds for its scholarships and awards through its vendor exhibit at the annual Regimental Signal Symposium. Last year, more than 125 vendors including Boeing, Raytheon, Janus, Gateway and

Lockheed Martin had booths at the symposium.

Recipients of the 2004 AFCEA Any School Scholarships include (all scholarships are \$1,000) unless otherwise noted:

HIGH SCHOOL

Summer A. Jackson, North Augusta High School, \$1,500 Lapp Scholarship; Ashley Niklinski, Daniel Kelley, Evans High School; Stephen Young, Greenbrier High School; Stephen Goldman, Evans High School; Mark Schaaf, North Augusta High School; Siddhartha Roy, Lakeside High School; Matthew Land, A.R. Johnson Health, Sciences and Engineer Magnet School; Nabila Gomes, JROTC Scholarship, \$500.

COLLEGE

Victoria Balcer, Georgia Tech, \$2,000 Mallette Scholarship; Robert Pace, Georgia Southern University; Kunal Sharma, Emory University; Walter Linney, Southern Illinois University; D. Griffin Reid, Georgia Tech; Ashby Bridges, Georgia Tech; Neil Khatod, University of Maryland University College.

Hard work is its own reward

Pfc. Armando Monroig
Signal staff

Several members of the Fort Gordon and Augusta communities were acknowledged during a scholarship award luncheon held by the Officers' Spouses' Club at the Gordon Club Monday.

A total of \$10,765 was awarded during the annual event: \$5,000 for scholarships and \$5,765 for welfare and services.

Seven recipients, two of who were not able to attend, received money for their college education.

Scholarships were broken down into three categories: continuing education, merit scholarship and a scholarship from First Command Financial Planning.

Edith Delgado, military spouse and Augusta State University student, received a \$500 continuing education scholarship. Ashley Company and Tainayah Thomas, unable to attend, received \$500 and \$700 respectively, merit scholarships.

Kirsten Lee, a recent graduate of Greenbrier High School, received an \$800 scholarship while fellow alumni Kimberly Roholt, received \$1,500.

Christopher Reichl, Westminster High School, received a \$1,000 scholarship.

First Command presented Kyle Fitzpatrick, a Westside High School graduate, with a \$1,000 scholarship.

The club presented the following Fort Gordon organizations with donations: American Red Cross, Fisher House,

Chaplain's Fund and Christmas House.

Other military-affiliated organizations receiving money were the Army Distaff Hall Foundation, Augusta VA Center, National Military Family Association and Southeastern Paralyzed Veterans Association.

Some of the Augusta community organizations receiving aid were Child Enrichment Inc., Golden Harvest Food Bank, Augusta Rescue Mission, Augusta Training Shop for the Handicapped, Georgia Alzheimer's Association, Butler High School ROTC and Glenn Hills High School ROTC.

Funds for scholarships and donations were raised during the OSC-sponsored flea markets held in the spring and fall, as well as proceeds from the Thrift Shop on post.

Nancy Moore, chairperson of the OSC scholarship committee and one of the individuals responsible for organizing the event, explained the process of being selected as a scholarship recipient.

Merit scholarship applicants had to be a graduating high school senior with a military identification card, whose parent is active or retired military from any branch.

The 34 applicants were judged on school and community activities, work experience, references, ACT/SAT scores and an essay. Each category was given a certain amount of points and candidates were scored by a point system, according to Moore.

"Honored," said Roholt of how she felt about receiving the scholarship. "I am very proud

to receive it and thankful because it is helping to pay for my college education, and takes some of the burden off my parents," she said.

Fitzpatrick echoed Roholt's sentiments.

"I feel very honored," he said. "I wasn't anticipating getting a scholarship."

He said all his hard work from the last four years in school paid off and is very grateful for the scholarship.

"It's inspirational. It teaches us that we need to give back and help out in our community and help advance our peers and our future," added Fitzpatrick. "Congratulations to you for all the hard work you've done," Brig. Gen. Gregory Premo, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon deputy commanding general, said to the recipients. "The fact you are dedicated to succeed and your families who have supported you, we are so proud of all of you."

Area students also received scholarships from another Fort Gordon organization.

The Enlisted Wives Club awarded five academic scholarships to the following high school students Friday at the Gordon Club: Aleshia Edwards, Academy of Richmond County; Nicholai Crees, Davidson High School; Kyle Fitzpatrick, Westside High School; Allison Schofield, Evans High School, and Carmen Preston, Greenbrier High School.

Proceeds to support the scholarships were generated from gift-wraps, bake sales and donations by club members.



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Officers' Spouses' Club scholarship recipients include (left to right) Edith Delgado, Kyle Fitzpatrick, Kirsten Lee, Christopher Reichl and Kimberly Roholt.

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Signaleer quizzed on Cuba deployment

Air Force Staff Sgt. Joshua Gorman
JTF Guantanamo

Staff Sgt. Larry Pugh arrived at Joint Task Force Guantanamo, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, from Fort Gordon. He is a native of Oglethorpe, Ga., and deployed to the Joint Task Force in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He works in the department of information security administration as the noncommissioned officer in charge of communications security.

Pugh recently sat down to answer questions regarding his deployment, career and being a Soldier.

Q: What inspired you to join the Army?

A: My grandfather was a 33-year career combat veteran of World War II, the Korean conflict, and he also served three tours in Vietnam. Seeing what he did and the sacrifices he made inspired me to follow in his footsteps. He was my one true hero who inspired me.

Q: What did you initially plan to do when you first joined?

A: When I initially joined the Army I wanted to be just like my grandfather and be a tanker, but my recruiter wouldn't let me. He insisted that I go signal and get the wonderful sign-on bonus.

Q: What do you consider your best military experience?

A: Getting promoted and becoming a noncommissioned officer. It is a great feeling to know that I am shaping and help forming the future generations of the Army.

Q: What has your family done to cope with your absence?

A: This is my fifth time being away. They have almost become used to my being away. My children have been learning to do more activities while I'm away. It is hard for me because on my last trip out of country my son had his first football

game. I missed the whole season actually. I would get an e-mail from him and he was always excited telling me about the kid he knocked down or the quarterback he tackled.

Q: Have you served in any other deployments?

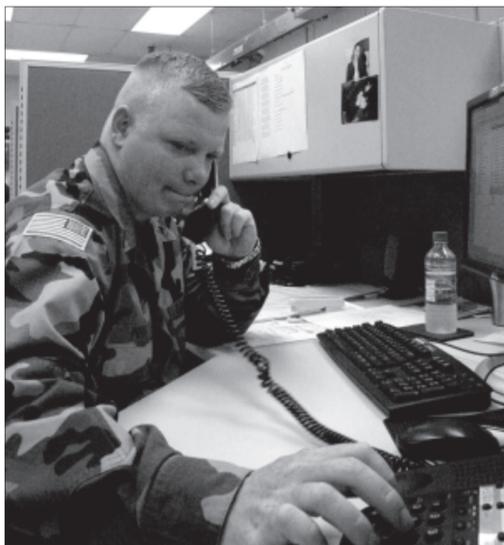
A: I have been on dependent restricted tours, which is almost like a deployment, and I have been to Saudi Arabia, along with Thailand. I would say though that being here in the Joint Task Force is the best place I have been so far.

Q: What have you valued the most from the deployments you've been on?

A: The pride knowing that you are a member of an elite group and you have made a difference in the end. You are part of a wheel that cannot roll along without you. There are people back home where I am from, and some of them have never made it beyond South Carolina or Alabama. While I am in the Army I am going to different countries. I am always glad to go. I get to experience something that some people only dream about.

Q: What significant military contribution have you been especially proud of?

A: That is hard, but when you go to the Basic Noncommissioned Officers Course at Fort Gordon, you always contribute back to the local area. You have to do something for the Augusta area. I remember helping the local school during my time. The whole Basic Non-commissioned Officer Course class went out on a field trip with this first grade class and it was our job to help escort them. It was an honor for me, because each one of those



Courtesy photo

Staff Sgt. Larry Pugh works as the NCOIC of the Department of Information Security Administration at Joint Task Force Guantanamo, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Pugh, a Signal Soldier, is the Communications Security NCOIC.

children was saluting us and thanking us... a wonderful day for me.

Q: What has your family done to show their support of you?

A: Well I think that I am on at least three prayer lists back home, so I am pretty sure that God is watching over me. Two of my brothers and my sister are very vigilant in that. They want to ensure that I'm watched over by God. As for my wife, she is wonderful. She gets our son and daughter off to school every day. She gets them around to whatever practice they need to make.

While she does this she is also going to college, taking care of the house, paying bills, and making sure the children send me a card or letter every week. It's just amazing. I don't know how she does it. I know if I were there I would have gone crazy by now.

Q: What were your expectations about Guantanamo?

A: My one expectation was to come to Guantanamo and not get fired. I wanted to come here and do my job and make it home. I have one of the most low profile, but highest, demanding jobs. I am the one responsible for making sure everything that needs to have communications security gets it.

Q: Have there been any challenges in your duty here?

A: I will be honest, when I left my unit at Fort Gordon, I was told I would be working with Reservists and National Guard. I did not know what to expect at all. So far I have been really impressed with the troopers I work with here. They have over exceeded my expectations.

(Pugh has been deployed from Company A, 63rd Signal Battalion, for three months.)

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Army physicians working toward bringing wounded home pain-free

Rudi Williams
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – April 13 was an unlucky day for 24-year-old Army 1st Lt. Melissa J. Stockwell. That was the day she lost her left leg in Iraq.

Arriving in Iraq on March 9, Stockwell, then a platoon leader with the 1st Cavalry Division, 27th Main Support Battalion, was driving along in a Humvee without doors attached when an improvised explosive device exploded. The impact slammed the vehicle against a guardrail, crushing the young lieutenant's left leg.

"They amputated below the knee that same day, and amputated above the knee here on April 23," Stockwell said from her bed at Washington's Walter Reed Army Medical Center. "The initial amputation was in the 'Green Zone' in Baghdad. The zone is the blocked off, heavily secured area in central Baghdad that houses the Coalition Provisional Authority and other offices.

Stockwell was racked with pain during medical evacuation flights from Iraq for treatment at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany, and from there to Andrews Air Force Base, Md., en route to Walter Reed. Medical personnel tried to ease her pain with morphine and other pain management drugs, but the drugs didn't erase all of it.

She arrived at Walter Reed on the night of April 19, and doctors performed a regional anesthesia block the next morning to better manage her pain. Regional anesthesia allows doctors to block signals to the brain from the wound region.

The technique was a godsend for Stockwell. She said the procedure – a continuous peripheral nerve block in medical parlance – has greatly reduced her pain. "It would be horrible without it," she said. "It has helped me so much!

Stockwell explained that her pain had gone from a nine down to two daily. The numbers represent a gauge for people with pain – the lower the number, the less



Photo by Rudi Williams

1st Lt. Melissa Stockwell is all smiles as she poses with her husband, 1st Lt. Richard Stockwell, at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. She was given regional anesthesia nerve blocks to lessen the pain of losing her left leg in Iraq. Both Stockwells said she suffered excruciating pain during two medical evacuation flights. "If she could have had this on the plane, it would have been a lot better (pain-wise)," he said.

pain the person experiences.

"It has been great since I got the anesthesia. All of these blocks have been incredible – absolutely incredible," she said.

Stockwell said her husband, Army 1st Lt. Richard Stockwell, remembers more than she does about what happened during the first couple of days after her injury. "It would have helped on the way back if she had had the regional anesthesia," said her husband, who also was serving with the 1st Cavalry Division in Iraq at the time. "Regional anesthesia is the best thing they've done for her in terms of mitigating the pain. When the first surgery happened in Baghdad, they offered this as a possible method to mitigate pain. But the way the anesthesiologist explained it, (we got the impression it) was experimental. He didn't explain it like it was this great, awesome thing. He said sometimes it doesn't work."

Based on his wife's experience, Stockwell said regional anesthesia should be given, not just offered, to people in similar circumstances. "The plane flights were horrible," he noted. "If she could have had this on the plane, it would have

been a lot better."

The Army's regional anesthesia pain management initiative started in 2000 as the brainchild of Col. (Dr.) Jack Childs, the consultant to the Army surgeon general for anesthesia, and Lt. Col. (Dr.) Chester Buckenmaier III, chief of the regional anesthesia section at Walter Reed. Childs now is performing the procedure at the 31st Combat Support Hospital in Baghdad.

"We were looking for ways we could improve battlefield pain control," Buckenmaier explained. "We were also trying to find an anesthetic that reduces our logistics footprint. Regional anesthesia has a lot of qualities that make it an ideal battlefield anesthetic. It doesn't require a lot of equipment, and it allows patients to maintain their sensorium. We don't need a lot of machines to provide an anesthetic. It provides excellent conditions for a surgeon to do his job.

"Unlike general anesthesia, which doesn't do anything for post-operative pain control, regional anesthesia, even with a single injection, lasts a very long time," the anesthesiologist continued. "Anywhere I place one of these needles, I can

place what's called a paraneural (next to the nerve) catheter that will allow me continuous access so we can run infusions of local anesthetic literally for days to control pain."

Traditionally, morphine has been the battlefield pain controller, he said. "Morphine is a drug that was first systemized in 1803. Now, more than 200 years later, we're still using the same solution for battlefield pain," Buckenmaier noted. "I'm not suggesting that the job we do in medicine on the battlefield is bad. It's not. We do it better than anybody in the history of warfare. But that doesn't mean we can't do it a little bit better. That's what this whole program is about."

Noting that servicemembers are very concerned about pain control, Buckenmaier said, "We have examples upstairs (at Walter Reed) where we can show the difference we've made in wounded Soldiers' lives with these techniques."

(This is part one of a three-part series.)

A letter from Iraq

Chaplain (Capt.)
Lou DelTufo

Camp chaplain, Abu Ghraib

I'd like to take this opportunity to tell you about how God is moving about our camp. When I first got here, I prayed about the chapel program and building a congregation of men and women dedicated to serve God. All of us serving in Iraq are away from our families and friends. However, we find ourselves hand-picked by God to serve together at this time and place.

The other chaplain and I prayed about what God would have us do on our installation. We felt that the answer was a ministry built around relationships with each other and God. First, we set out to build relationships with others around us. Chaplain Fischer and I set out to be visible in work and training areas. We started by getting to know the men and women who make up the forces at our camp.

By mid-February, the entire camp population changed out. We prayed that God would pour out His Spirit on our camp and the good news of Jesus Christ would spread like wildfire. Our relationship initiative was blooming, but our worship service attendance was still small, so we began to pray about the next type of relationship: Relationship with God.

In the last three months, our Christian chapel program has grown dramatically. At Easter, we had three services with more than 240 people attending. We even water baptized two people during our chapel service! A small group of the chapel leadership felt that God was leading us to start "A Purpose Driven Life" small group study.

We prayed for books, volunteers to lead small groups and other materials; God answered our need and our camp has six small groups and more than 60 people participating. One Soldier started a Sunday School Program and now we have a group of men and women who meet every Sunday before the chapel service for Sunday School.

There is a hunger and thirst for God that permeates every aspect of our camp. On Sundays, we have two services with a combined attendance of about 120. I'm not focusing on the numbers, but numbers are people. Last week alone, at the end of the service, at least five people raised their hand to say they were ready to make Jesus Lord of their life.

It is at this time that we find ourselves wondering where God will take us next. We've started a Praise Band and have a growing choir of young men and women dedicated to use their God given gifts for His glory.

I have used the phrase, "out of control" to describe what God is doing in our camp. God's Spirit is moving like a wildfire and others in our camp see how lives are changed for all eternity. I can only attribute the growth in our chapel program to God moving in a mighty way.

Finally and most of all, we have shared together in the good times and some really rough times. In a place historically known for death, we are finding new life that comes from God.

We continually discover that our source of strength and protection comes from the Lord who is always there for us, no matter the time-zone or time of day. God bless you and thank you for your prayers and cares. Jesus loves you all.

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

Catholic Services

11:45 a.m. Monday thru Friday, Eisenhower Army Med Ctr. Chapel
12:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday, Good Shepherd Chapel
3:30 p.m. Saturday, Confessions, Good Shepherd Chapel
5 p.m. Saturday, Vigil Mass, Good Shepherd Chapel

Sunday Masses

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

Jewish Activities

Holy Day Services, Announced
Jewish Activities Center, Bldg. 38804
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Islamic Services

Jumah Prayer Service on Fridays Oct-Apr at 1245-1:30, and Apr-Oct from 1:30-2:30.

These are held in Bldg. 38804, Academic Drive.

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

Denominational Services

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

Religious Education

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

Other Programs/Services

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

Bible Studies

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

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

Bicentennial Chapel

Wednesday, 11:30 a.m., Devotional Luncheon, Bicentennial Chapel, Bldg. 28414

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., Protestant Women of the Chapel, Bldg. 28414

Wednesday 11:45 a.m. EAMC Bible Study, DDEAMC Dn. 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 (Catholic), 791-2945

Faith Community Chapel Activities 791-4703 (during duty hours)

Barnes Avenue Friendship Chapel, 791-2056

Eisenhower Army Medical Center Chapel, 787-6667

Religious Education

Protestant/Catholic Program, Mr. Randall Dillard 791-4703

For additional information, call 791-4683

the Installation Chaplain's Office, Building 29601

Organizations mark Memorial Day

Local areas have numerous events planned commemorating the upcoming Memorial Day holiday. Following is a partial listing:

SATURDAY – Aiken, S.C., Memorial Day Parade begins at 1 p.m. at Richland Avenue and Laurens Street. The full Signal Corps Band, joint service color guard, and marching Soldiers will participate in the parade.

SATURDAY – Evans holds a Red, White and Blue Celebration at 6 p.m. at the Judicial Center on Ronald Reagan Drive. Brig. Gen. Janet Hicks, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon commanding general, will present an award. The full Signal Corps Band and marching Soldiers from the 15th Regimental Signal Brigade will participate.

MONDAY – 9 a.m. at the Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home, 1101 15th St. Brig. Gen. Gregory Premo, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon deputy commanding general, will speak and 23 members of the U.S. Army Signal Corps Band will play. A color

guard, flags and salute battery will also participate.

MONDAY – 10 a.m. at the Bellevue Memorial Gardens, 4501 Wrightsboro Rd., Grovetown, a bugler, color guard, flags and salute battery will participate in the ceremony.

MONDAY – 11 a.m., Veterans of All Wars Memorial, Fourth and Broad streets, Augusta, a bugler plays and a color guard, flags and salute battery will participate.

MONDAY – 11 a.m., Greenwood Town Square, Greenwood, S.C., Col. Dennis Donovan of Reserve Affairs speaks.

MONDAY – 3 p.m. Memorial Day Service at VFW Post 649, 2430 Windsor Springs Rd. to recognize World War II veterans. Free hotdogs and hamburgers served to all military ID card holders.

MONDAY – 7:30 p.m. Brandon Wilde Life Care Center, 4275 Owens Rd., Evans, a bugler, and the Signal Corps Stage Band will play. There will also be a color guard, flags and a POW/MIA table at the event.



Courtesy photo

Swearing in

Four Augusta State University Army ROTC cadets received their commissions in the Army at the Department of Military Science's spring commissioning ceremony May 15. Brig. Gen. Gregory J. Premo, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon deputy commanding general, was the featured speaker.

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Children's Menu... Chicken Tenders, Mashed Potatoes, Cut Corn, Sweet Peas & Apple Sauce

Adults: \$13.00 | Children (ages 5-9): \$8.00 | Children (ages 2-4): \$3.00.
For more information, call 791-6780 or 791-2205.

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June 7, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
ACAP, Building 33800

Ambassador James V. Ledsema, Diplomat in Residence, Morehouse College for 2003-04, will speak as part of the State Department's efforts to attract talent to meet today's foreign policy challenges.

No charge. Open to the public!
For registration, call 791-7333.

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SUMMER FUN

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A \$25 deposit is required to reserve a week. Participants must be registered with Child & Youth Services. Children must have completed Kindergarten. To be eligible for the Disney trip, teens must have been enrolled for five weeks in the program. For more information, call 791-6500/5104.

Community Events

Beach blast

The Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation is having a Beach Blast at noon **Saturday** at Fort Gordon's Clark Hill Recreation Area beach.

Activities include a volleyball tournament, kid's games, music, food sales and more. For information, call 541-1057.

EFMP family find

The Exceptional Family member Program is conducting a four-week Family Find Campaign through **June 14**.

This is a Department of the Army mandatory enrollment program for family members of active duty Soldiers.

The purpose is to identify and enroll family members who have special medical or educational needs that are not currently enrolled.

Unit commanders, first sergeants and supervisors are urged to extend support by scheduling EFMP awareness briefings and becoming familiar with the program. For information, call Amos Demps at 791-3579.

Summer registration

Paine College is having summer registration **June 8-11**; first day of classes is **June 8**. For information, call 791-7979.

Braves trip

A bus trip to the Atlanta Braves-Boston Red Sox baseball game is **July 3**.

Cost is \$60 and includes transportation and lower level seats. Bus leaves the Target shopping center at 3 p.m.; limited seats available.

For information, call Patty at 771-0089.

Employment workshop

Beginning in June, Tools of Employment will be held from 9-11 a.m. the first and third **Monday** of each month in Darling Hall.

Tools of Employment covers the three facets of seeking employment; resume writing, job searching and interview skills. Call 791-3579 to register.

Train tickets

The Directorate of Morale Welfare and Recreation presents Train in concert at 8 p.m. **June 18** at Barton Field. Tickets cost \$15; \$20 at the gate. Advance tickets available at the Post Exchange, Aladdin Travel, the bowling center, Fort Gordon credit union and the dinner theater.

For information, call Steve Walpert at 791-4389.

Town Hall meeting

The next Gordon Terrace Town Hall meeting is 6-8 p.m. **June 15** at Freedom Park Elementary School.

Leaders of units post wide who have personnel residing in Gordon Terrace are encouraged to attend and support this forum. Gordon Terrace residents are encouraged to attend.

For information, call 791-8313.

Scholarships available

The Sergeants Major Association of Fort Gordon is offering scholarships for the graduating class of 2004. Applicant must be a legal dependent of an active, reserve, retired, or deceased military person living in the CSRA.

Applications are available at Army Community Services and are due **June 22**. For information, call Christine Hernandez at 791-0792.

FCC certification

Child and Youth Services will conduct Family Child Care certification training for family members living in government quarters who wish to provide child care in their homes.

Orientation is 9-10 a.m. **July 9** in Building 45400. The certification classes will be held from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. **July 12-19** in the same building. Register from 9:30 a.m.-noon **July 7-10**.

For information call the FCC office at 791-3993.

Changes of command

The 206th Military Intelligence Battalion hosts a change of command ceremony at 8 a.m. **Friday** at Barton Field.

Lt. Col. Paul Nakasone will relinquish command to Lt. Col. Robert Quinn. A reception at the Gordon Club follows the ceremony. In the event of inclement weather, the ceremony will be conducted at the Reserve Center.

For information, contact Capt. Eric McNair at 791-9179.

The 15th Regimental Signal Brigade change of command ceremony is 8 a.m. **July 16** at Barton Field reviewing stand.

Col. Allen Woodhouse will relinquish command to Col. Lori Sussman. Inclement weather location is Alexander Hall.

For information call Sgt. Ukema Moore at 791-7373.

Unit garage sale

The 513th Military Intelligence Brigade Headquarters Company family support group is having a garage sale from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. **June 19** to raise funds for its FSG.

The sale is at World Class Fitness, 625 E. Robinson Ave. in Grovetown.

The group is also seeking donated items to sell. Donations that do not sell will be donated to Goodwill.

To donate items, call 2nd Lt. Daniel Rountree at 791-9412.

Civilian of the Quarter

The nominations for the Fort Gordon Civilian of the Quarter for the quarter ending **June 30** must be submitted by **June 15** to DHR, CPAC, ATTN: Mary Reid, or to reidm@gordon.army.mil. Narrative should not exceed two pages. Nominations are being accepted for GS 9-11, NL 14-15, NS 12-17, WG 8-12, WL 7-10, WS 3-7, and NF 4.

ACAP program

The Army Career and Alumni Program and Army Community Service will have a foreign service speaker from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. **June 7** at ACAP, Building 33800/

Ambassador James Ledesma, Diplom-in-Residence, Morehouse College, will speak as part of the State Department's initiative to attract talented men and women. Ledesma will provide information about career opportunities in the Foreign Service. Call 791-7333 to register.

Retirement dinner

There is a retirement dinner for Command Sgt. Maj. Ruben Peppers, 15th RSB, at 6:30 p.m. **June 30** at the Gordon Club. Cost is \$25 and dress is business casual.

For information, call Sgt. 1st Class Wilease Buggs at 791-6079/4298.

Story hour

Woodworth Library hosts story hour **Wednesdays** 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.

Surviving military separation

Army Community Service offers a support group for deployed Soldiers' spouses. The class is 1-2:30 p.m. the first **Wednesday** of each month in Darling Hall, Room 367.

This is an opportunity for spouses to share ideas and strategies coping with the stress associated with the servicemember's absence. For information call 791-3579/7557.

Employment workshop

A weekly workshop, *Tools of Employment*, is held 9-11 a.m. **Monday** mornings to assist in resume writing, job searching and interviewing techniques. The workshop meets in the Community Life Building, 33512.

For information, call 791-3579.

Bariatric support group

The Bariatric Support Group meets at 6:30 p.m. the **second Tuesday** of each month at Eisenhower Army Medical Center in the hospital auditorium on the first floor; the meeting begins at 7 p.m. The group is open

to pre-op and post-op patients, and anyone interested in learning about the surgery.

Call Florrie Cox at 595-8330 for information.

Bible study

The Fort Gordon Family Life Center presents a Bible study for adults titled *Family Life According to the Bible* from 9:30-10:30 a.m. **Sundays** at the Religious Education Center, Building 39709. Other classes are available for all ages.

For information, call 791-4703.

Separating servicemembers

Servicemembers within one year of separating or two years of projected retirement from the military may contact the Army Career and Alumni Program for assistance.

All servicemembers leaving active duty with more than 180 days of active service, must receive the congressionally mandated pre-separation counseling. Counseling must take place no later than 90 days prior to separation and covers available transition assistance services, rights and benefits. To schedule an

appointment, call 791-7333, or go to www.gordon.army.mil/dhr/ACAP/acap.htm.

Business advice

The Service Corps of Retired Executives provides counseling and mentoring to business people starting or expanding a business.

SCORE is a non-profit, public service organization affiliated with the Small

Business Administration; all services are free. For information, call 793-9998, 9 a.m.-noon Monday to Friday.

Sunday brunch

The Gordon Club serves brunch each **Sunday** from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Cost is \$12 for adults; \$7 for children ages 5-10; and \$3 children 4 and younger.

For information, call 791-6780.

At the Movies

The Signal Theater is open Thursday-Sunday. Shows begin at 6:30 p.m. The late show on Saturday begins at 9:30 p.m.

Children 12 and over and all adults are \$3. Children 6-11 are \$1.50. Children under 5 are free.

For movie listings and times, call 791-3982.

May 28-30
Friday – The Girl Next Door (R)
Saturday – Hellboy (PG-13)
Saturday – Walking Tall (PG-13)
Sunday – Walking Tall (PG-13)

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The next edition of *Army Newswatch* premieres **June 7**.

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Sports & Leisure

Sports UPDATE

Swimming lessons

Registration for swimming lessons at the indoor pool for lessons on **June 7-10** are being accepted. Lessons are open to active duty, retirees, DA civilians and family members ages 6 months to 18 years.

Lessons are \$50 per student with most classes limited to eight students. No refunds unless TDY or PCS move. For information, call 791-3034.

Day camps

The Girl Scouts' summer day camps at Camp Tanglewood are **June 7-11** and **June 28-July 2** from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The camp costs \$80 for Girl Scouts and \$90 for other girls.

For ages 5-11, the day camp will be **June 21-25** from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. The costs is \$35 for Girl Scouts and \$45 for all other girls. Spaces are limited and pre-registration is required. Call (706) 774-0505 to register.

Patriots select Soccer tryouts

The Columbia County Patriots Select Soccer tryouts for the 2004-2005 Seasonal Year start **Tuesday**. Under (U) 10-U12 Boys and Girls tryouts are Tuesday, Thursday, June 5 and 7. U13-U19 Boys and Girls tryouts are June 14, 17, 19, and 21.

All tryouts are on soccer fields at the CCRD Patriots Park. Tryouts begin at 6:30 p.m., weekdays; and 9 a.m., on Saturdays. All competitive players from Fort Gordon and CSRA are welcome. Tryouts are free.

For more information call Phil Sines, 860-1148 or Andrew Hammer, 399-0252; or visit website at www.patriotssoccer.org.

Game cancellation

All games on Fields 3 and 4 will be cancelled June 15-21 due to the Morale Welfare and Recreation's Train concert scheduled for June 18. These games will be rescheduled at a date TBA. Teams will resume play on those fields June 22 in accordance with the schedule.

Call Al Robinson at 791-1142 for more information.

Education briefings

The following briefings will be held at the Education Center, Building 21606, Barnes Avenue:

Troops to Teachers - **Thursday** 12:30 p.m.

ROTC Green to Gold - **June 7**, 1 p.m.

For further information on each of the above call the Education Center at 791-2000.

Foreign service brief

Army Career and Alumni Program and Army Community Service will present James V. Ledesma, current Diplomat-in-Residence for Morehouse College **June 7** from 11:30 to 1 p.m. at Building 33800.

Ledesma will provide information about career opportunities in the Foreign Service - at the college, and throughout the region where he is located. Call to register 791-7333.

Passion prevails

Pfc. Armando Monroig
Signal Staff

There are the Soldiers who engage in combat. And then there are the Soldiers who support combat.

Spc. Rayshon Love, assigned to B Company at Eisenhower Army Medical Center, has seen both sides of the Army coin but admits that in the end, we are all an Army of One, one team, one fight, the same - Soldiers.

Love comes from a military family that loves its country and proudly serves; a family who also has the same intense love for the sport of basketball.

Fitting for someone who grew up in the basketball crazy state of Indiana or as Love put it, "the only basketball state."

Love began playing basketball at the age of 4.

His father, Sullivan Love, a former staff sergeant in the Army, played while stationed in Germany for the professional league and also for the post league.

According to Love his father was, "a superstar" who played with the likes of George "The Iceman" Gervin while in Detroit.

His five brothers and one sister, who all have served or currently serve in the military, also played basketball. They were high school standouts with his second oldest brother and sister were college standouts and played overseas professionally as well.

Love was headed on the same path as his siblings but took a different turn because of his love for something else - music.

While a student at the University of New Orleans, where he met his wife and played basketball, Love became heavily involved in producing and performing hip-hop music.

What had originally began as a love for him became a distraction from his studies and from his other love - basketball. He left college to focus mostly on his music.

Shortly thereafter Love decided to join the Army because he "needed a change of pace, lifestyle and a challenge." And he got just that.

Following in his family's footsteps, Love enlisted and signed up for infantry and went Airborne.

Love's travels have taken him to various posts: Forts Benning, Ga., Campbell, Ky., Sam Houston and Hood, Texas, and now Gordon, Ga. They have also taken him to the Middle East.

Shortly after his enlistment and completion of training, 9/11 happened. And this airborne, air assault, infantry Soldier's journey began.

His unit was sent to Afghanistan almost immediately in search of Osama bin Laden and his terrorist network. He was there from January through August 2004.

Love recounted a time when he was in Afghanistan searching through a village and a little boy pulled a 9mm pistol on him. On another occasion another boy threw a rock at him and busted his lip.

In the worst incident, he was part of a presidential patrol clearing routes when a rocket-propelled grenade struck his vehicle.

Love suffered broken wrists and permanent hearing loss in his left ear and partial hearing loss in his right. Since his injuries Love has adjusted to it by using a hearing aid and learning to read lips.

But he had to change his military occupational specialty due to his disability. He chose 91D,



Photos by Pfc. Armando Monroig

operating room technician.

The 29-year-old now works as an OR tech at Eisenhower Army Medical Center where his wife also works.

Spc. Joaquin Ramirez, assigned to B Company at EAMC, has known Love since coming to Fort Gordon - four months.

"He is a very high-energy person, always up for a new challenge: a real Soldier," said Ramirez. "He is very dedicated to what the Army represents."

Ramirez said Love is doing great adjusting to his new surroundings and is a great basketball player.

"He is a well-rounded basketball player," said Ramirez adding that Love has a positive influence on those he encounters on and off the court.

"He is always doing things with motivation and that rubs off on the people around him," he said. "He is a caring husband and father on top of everything else."

Love hasn't let his injuries deter him from his goals. He plans on making the Army a career, having served four years already.

His goals as a Soldier include becoming a Special Forces medic and a Ranger.

For now he is just trying to get adjusted to his new job, making the transition from infantry to OR tech, combat to combat support.

"I'm just trying to get in the groove to where I can be a productive member of this team," Love said.

What he enjoys most about the Army?

"Camaraderie," he said. "I made a



Spc. Ravshon Love, EAMC, pushes the ball up-court to set up a shot for his teammates during a game against 551st Signal Battalion held April 20 at Gym 3. ANCOA, the team Love played for, won the game after being down by double figures and a rally in the second half thanks to Love. The team won the 2004 battalion level basketball championship. Love was selected as an All-Army alternate in basketball.

lot of great friends - a lot of camaraderie that I'll never have on the outside."

What he enjoys the most about basketball is the ability to be totally in control while on the basketball court, he said.

"There's no one that can stop you. You can only stop yourself," he said. "And when you're on offense you can make the defense do what you want them to do."

Love said it is like chess, being a few plays ahead of his opponents in his mind and keeping them guessing.

"It's playtime. I have so much fun with it," said Love.

He realized how much he loved basketball and the potential he had of becoming a good player when he was in elementary school.

"I played my gym teacher who was an Indiana all-star who played two years with the Pacers," he recounted with a smile. "I played him everyday at recess and in fifth grade I finally beat him."

The 5-foot-7-and-a-half-inch point guard averaged 22 points per game - in the second half alone - during the 2004 post basketball season.

His main focus is to get his teammates involved first and then step in when they need assistance.

Love's advice to young basketball players: "Stay with the fundamentals. Once you get the fundamentals down and can think the game, then you can adjust and modify."

The team he played on, the Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course team, won the post battalion level championship.

Love has been trying to get on the All-Army basketball team since joining the Army.

He submitted an application that includes his statistics, letters of recommendation, and awards.

This year he was invited to try out for the team but was later replaced with a player from last year's team and is now an alternate.

Unit Sports Standings

As of May 21

Team	Won	Lost
Blue Division		
C-369	5	2
E-447	5	2
D-369	4	2
D-447	4	2
B-551st	5	3
B-447	4	3
C-73	3	3
D-551	3	3
C-551	2	4
B-73	1	6
E-369	0	6
Green Division		
A-297	6	0
BNCOA	7	1
A-201	3	1
252	5	2
C-63	4	3
338TRS	5	4
A-63	4	4
518	3	4
HHC-63	3	4
HHD-116	3	4
Co. D, USMC	2	18
Morning Division		
B-447	2	0
C-369	1	1
E-447	1	1
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C-369	1	0
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'KatMannDo'

Security exercise challenges Fort A.P. Hill

Debra Bingham
Army News Service

FORT A.P. HILL, Va. — A car joined a line moving toward Fort A.P. Hill's main gate. The driver nervously tapped his fingers on the steering wheel as he waited. The car trunk was full of explosives and his job was to get them on the installation undetected.

The situation was an exercise for the Virginia base players, but next time it could be real.

The exercise, called KatMannDo, challenged participants at the end of April by presenting realistic threats through the use of role players, simulations and specialized technology. Civilian law enforcement, fire and emergency service organizations, and military personnel participated. The exercise also gave local civilian agencies an opportunity to share institutional knowledge and test their communications interoperability and situational awareness.

KatMannDo was a three-part exercise comprised of a field training exercise, a command post exercise and a tabletop exercise. During the training, evaluators observed personnel and later presented findings at an after action review. The post can then use the information to assess its procedures and operations.

During the FTX, law enforcement, fire and rescue personnel responded to a variety of threat scenarios. Personnel manning an emergency operation center, or EOC, tested their incident response and communications procedures.

The CPX phase examined the post's ability to process and disseminate intelligence information, and evaluated how it

assessed force protection conditions.

The TTX phase included a review of the installation crisis management team and its procedures.

Participants didn't know the nature of the events or when they would happen, giving the exercise a sense of realism, according to John Polis, Fort A.P. Hill's police chief.

"They knew there was an exercise coming up because they had to have a safety briefing, but they didn't know what the scenario was. They were told to do what you would normally do with your training," Polis said.

During the FPX, alert police officers discovered a bomb in the trunk of a terrorist's car and called in the explosive disposal team who diffused it, Polis said.

Officers were not so lucky when a female suicide bomber approached the gate on foot. She killed herself and a police officer when she detonated the explosives strapped to her body as part of the exercise simulated play.

At a separate car crash site, police quickly established a secure perimeter and began searching for an escaped terrorist. Meanwhile firefighters and emergency response teams arrived on the scene. The fire chief, serving as the incident commander, assessed the scene and set objectives and priorities for the team.

An arch of water cascaded through the air onto the fallen victim in an effort to wash off chemical or biological contaminants that could be spread on contact. Despite efforts to revive him, the terrorist died of his injuries.

Wearing protective suits, firefighters used sensitive monitoring equipment to determine the presence of contaminants at the site, according to Daniel Glembot, post fire chief.

"The firefighters put out the fire and applied a specialized device called a B-Kit to the one-ton cylinder of chlorine gas to stop the leak.

Police located and captured the intruder using a combination of air and ground support. Polis also credited the Caroline County Sheriff's Office and the Virginia State Police for their support during the exercise.

"We had military working

dogs from (the Military District Washington) who were instrumental in catching the infiltrator out by Camp Connors. He was highly trained in evasive tactics and (the exercise planners) thought there was no way we would catch him, but we did it with the dogs," Polis said.

The exercise also gave participants an opportunity to test new communications technology that provided critical, real-time information.

"A new computer system was installed into our fire vehicles for this exercise. These computer terminals allowed us wireless access to our EOC, police vehicles — including Virginia State Police, and Internet access for information and mapping," Glembot said.

Polis and Glembot said KatMannDo provided realistic training and gave many participants a renewed sense of purpose.

"It shows you how hectic it can be in the real world. When the real thing happens not everything goes as smoothly as it would in a simulation," Polis said.

(Bingham is assigned to the Fort A.P. Hill Public Affairs Office.)



Photo by Debra Bingham
Fire consumes a car detonated during a mock terrorist attack during a force protection exercise on Fort A.P. Hill, Va.

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The Marines practice kicks during a training session. They recently performed the side kick (above). At the end of each session Marines go through knee and punching drills (right).



Warrior ways

Program instills warrior ethos; provides combat skills

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Mental, character and physical disciplines are the basis of the U.S. Marine Corps Martial Arts Program. These disciplines enable the corps to develop its members into warriors.

The Marine Corps Martial Arts Program, which began about four years ago, is a combination of five to six traditional martial arts disciplines plus combatives or close-combat training, according to Gunnery Sgt. Paul Bergeron, chief martial arts instructor with Marine Corps Company D.

"(The intent of the program) was to give the Marines (something they) would be able to actually use on the battlefield—something flexible. Something they could use and all the building blocks to put it together," said Bergeron. "(The training) gets Marines back into the state of mind where these marines are used to going out there and attacking things with their bare hands or whatever they've got at hand whether it's weapons or weapons of opportunity—sticks, batons, knives."

The purpose of the program, according to the Marine Corps Martial Arts training logbook, is to "develop the warrior ethos that will achieve success in Marine Corps operations across the spectrum of conflict; provide a comprehensive system of training that will carry a Marine from entry-level training to the limit of his/her career; to develop a true martial artist—a Marine highly skilled in lethal technique who can function appropriately in any environment."

The training each Marine has successfully achieved is

noted by the color of belt he wears. The program has five belt levels—tan, gray, green, brown and six levels of black.

All Marines must be at least a tan belt, however, the Marine Corps would like for everyone to be gray belt by the end of this year, according to Bergeron.

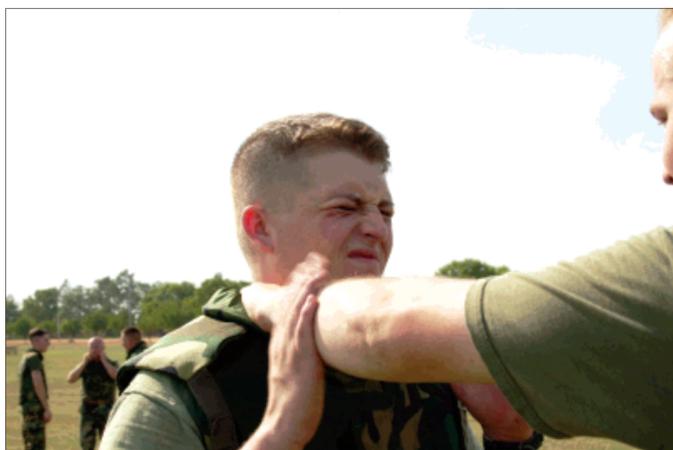
Once the Marines achieve a belt level, they must maintain it by doing two hours of sustainment training per month for each belt level "so they don't forget the ...techniques. It's especially important as we get toward the winter months and we're not out here as much that they don't forget the technique and they become more natural. It becomes more second nature to them," said Bergeron.

"As you go through the belts, you start piling on techniques, and piling them on, and piling them on. If you don't practice them regularly you'll start to forget them," he said.

The training starts with stretching, calisthenics, and a run. The Marines then do one-man carries before beginning body hardening. Body hardening is the process getting the Marine used to making contact and taking strikes by hitting along nerves in the arms and leg, according to Bergeron.

The Marines perform all of their techniques at half-speed as a safety measure. "The guys will throw down and we'll put them down pretty hard, but the main reason we don't go full force is we don't want any Marines to get hurt in this training," he said.

Bergeron has other instructors who enthusiastically aid him with martial arts program.



The Marines practice choke holds (left) during the training sessions. The choke hold recipients uses three taps to let the other person know to stop. Before beginning the martial arts training, Marines do warm up exercises like the pullup (below). They also practice one-man carries wearing flak vests (below, left). If the Marines are able to perform these techniques well while tired, then they should be able to really perform when they are fresh, according to Gunnery Sgt. Paul Bergeron.



"There's nothing better than getting out and doing Marine Corps things. Even if I got to be at a Marine Corps base all day, I would still love to get out and throw other Marines around, learn self defense, and prepare myself for combat," said Marine Cpl. Jason Bamman, a special intelligence communicator and system administrator as well as martial arts instructor with Marine Corps Company D. "It helps to relieve aggression and relieve stress just like PT."

"It feels good to be able to help other Marines out in these kinds of situations," he

said. "I don't know if there is anything better than helping a Marine successfully achieve a hip throw."

The class participants are seemingly as enthusiastic about the training.

"Sometimes it sucks getting thrown on the ground. It doesn't feel good but I know I'm making myself, making myself more combat effective," said Lance Cpl. Joshua Christolear, Fort Gordon U.S. Marine Corps Detachment. "If it comes to a combat situation and if anything bad happens, we know we can depend on you and you have that training."



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