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# The Signal



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## News UPDATE

### Signal Symposium scheduled

The U.S. Army Signal Center and the Augusta, Fort Gordon Chapter of the Armed Forces Electronics Association host the Signal Regimental LandWarNet Symposium from **Nov. 29 to Dec. 3**.

The theme is "LandWarNet - Networking the Force in the Joint Fight."

For information contact Capt. Jonathan Stamberg at 791-7800 or Master Sgt. Derrick Taylor 791-2691.

### Life insurance elections

The Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Program, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the FEGLI program, is conducting an Open Season through **Sept. 30**.

The effective date of coverage is delayed until the first day of the first pay period that begins on or after **Sept. 1, 2005**.

Election of coverage must be completed through the Army Benefits Center; no paper election will be accepted.

For information, contact Karen Ellis at 791-4179.

### Employment classes

Due to the Labor Day Holiday, "Tools of Employment" will be held in Darling Hall, Room 229-C, from 9-11 a.m. **Wednesday**.

To register call Army Community Services at 791-3579.

### Rodeo coming

The Professional Cowboy Association is holding a rodeo from 8-10:30 p.m. **Friday and Sept. 11** at Barton Field.

The rodeo features bareback riding, roping, steer wrestling, saddle bronc riding and more.

Advance tickets cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 10 and younger. Tickets available at area Papa John's locations, Fort Gordon Federal Credit Union and Gordon Lanes.

For information, call 791-6779.

### Hispanic Heritage Month program

The Hispanic Heritage Month command program is at 1:30 p.m. **Sept. 22** in Alexander Hall.

The theme this year is "Hispanic Americans: Making a Difference in Our Communities and Our Nation." Guest speaker is Consuelo Castillo Kickbusch, a retired Army lieutenant colonel.

For information, call Staff Sgt. Steven Townsend at 791-2014.

## Multinational Signal officers attend LATAM conference

Spc. Brandon Aird  
*93rd Signal Brigade Public Affairs*

The 2004 Latin American and Caribbean Communications Conference kicked off Aug. 23 at the Radisson Hotel in Augusta.

Augusta was chosen as the ideal location for the conference due to its proximity to the U.S. Army Signal Center. Officers from 23 countries par-

ticipated in the week-long event, which is designed to help prepare for future multinational operations.

The conferences started in 1994 to develop communication standards, compatibility and familiarization among armies in the U.S. Army South area of responsibility.

Since 1994, nine conferences have been held in six countries. Tobias Rojas, of

Costa Rica, was there a decade ago at the first conference, and almost half of this year's participants were here for last year's conference.

"This year's conference will be focused on building future communications and computer compatibility among the different nations," said Col. Nathaniel Smith, the USARSO deputy chief of staff for communications and commander for the

93rd Signal Brigade.

Those attending the conference had a common goal.

"The most important thing is that all the Latin American countries come together for the common goal to develop a standard method of communication for all Latin American countries," said Col. Angel Bravo, of Ecuador. "That would allow us to be united under any circumstances," including natural disaster or global threat he said.

One of the key aspects of the conference is to promote military relationships among the Latin American countries, and contribute to the development of regional ties, said Lt. Col. Raymond Rembish, USARSO deputy director for communications.

The focus of the first day was a series of collaborative discussions on regional command, control, communication and computer issues. One of the ways to help solve some of the issues is a Latin American and Caribbean web site to share information between the nations' armies. The website has a secure e-mail system for the Conference on American Armies and will facilitate

information for academic, military and training centers.

The second day of the conference began with a presentation on Argentina's C4.

In October 2002, Col. Daniel Gerstein, then USARSO DCSG6 and USARSO operations commander, visited Argentina to compare technology and assess the compatibility of Argentina's communication systems with those in the United States.

With a relatively modest investment in commercial equipment, Argentina fulfilled a large amount of its C4 requirements and, at the same time, enjoyed a high degree of compatibility with any other force in the world, said Lt. Col. Oscar Vuisso, of Argentina.

After Argentina's brief, the officers broke off into three regional groups: Caribbean, South America and Central America. The groups discussed C4 issues and how they could overcome their challenges.

The next day brought the conference out of the Radisson Hotel to the Signal Center. The officers were brought to the 93rd's headquarters to view a tactical communication display. While on Fort Gordon, the officers were able to see the Fort Gordon Signal Museum and visit the Post Exchange.

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Photo by Sgt. Lyle Dillie

Maj. Julius Skeete (center), of Guyana, and Lt. Commander Peter Williams (left), of Jamaica watch as Lt. Col. Timothy Davis, head of the Caribbean focus group for the 2004 Latin American and Caribbean Communications Conference, draws up a chart on C 4 that shows each country's capabilities at the Radisson Hotel in Augusta Aug. 24.

## Area CFC campaign gets underway here

Denise Allen  
*Signal staff*

Col. Jeff Smith likened the work of the charities within the Combined Federal Campaign to the service of Soldiers.

"I think it's fitting to do this at Fort Gordon. Our Army is an army of volunteers. We get a salary, but no salary can cover the duties of a Soldiers," said Smith, Fort Gordon's deputy commander, at the Central Savannah River Area CFC kickoff at Alexander Hall Wednesday.

Federal workers from all sectors including the military, VA Hospital, Department of Energy and the U.S. Postal Service gathered at Fort Gordon to kickoff the fundraising drive, which ends Oct. 15. Overall the goal is \$640,000 with Fort Gordon's goal set at \$360,000. Last year, Fort Gordon employees contributed more than \$350,000.

The CFC is the only fundraising campaign sanctioned by the government for its workers, said Angi McCall, area CFC coordinator. The United Way of the CSRA administers the

area's campaign.

While there are hundreds of agencies to designate donations to, federal employees can be assured that those who have made the list are worthy.

"All of the charities have passed very strict guidelines," said Jim Pinkerton of WAGT-TV Channel 26, one of the emcees for the event.

These guidelines ensure that the dollars go toward the charities' missions and not strictly for administrative costs.

The CFC's national theme is "Every One of Us," with a local theme of "CFC - Commitment for Community."

During the ceremony, donors viewed the latest Dick Sheets art print

"The Foundations of America," which will be given to those who donate \$600 or more. Sheets has created a different print each CFC since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, to show the spirit of America.

Givers at the \$600 and above level will also receive a GiveSmart Card, which provides discounts at area restaurants.

For information about CFC, call 791-2012.



Photo by Denise Allen

Besse Smith, a postal worker, sings "Wind Beneath My Wings" at the kickoff for the Combined Federal Campaign Wednesday. The overall goal for federal workers in the CSRA is \$640,000. Fort Gordon's goal is \$360,000.

## Garrison gets new commander

Denise Allen  
*Signal staff*

The position may be new for Col. Karen Adams, but the place definitely is not.

"It's like coming home," said Adams, who took over from Col. Robert Henderson as Fort Gordon's new garrison commander Aug. 26.

Adams commanded the 447th Signal Battalion from July 1999 to July 2001 and went through some of her own training at Fort Gordon.

Her most recent post was as chief of the training and mission support branch of the Installation Management Agency Operations Division in Washington.

"The experience I had at IMA headquarters money could not buy," she said.

There, she enhanced her knowledge of force protection and the function of the Department of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security; and saw the "corporate view" of installation management, something she previously knew little about.

"It was good training," she said.

"What's valuable for me are the contacts. If I have a question, I know who to call."

IMA will celebrate its second anniversary in October, and it has changed the way installations are run.

Still in its infancy, IMA doesn't have all of its bugs worked out, but Adams believes that its system is far better for the Soldiers and their families in the long run. It helps raise all Army installations to the same standard, improving the quality of life for all.

Adams said she's noticed the many changes that the post has undergone since she left. Freedom Park Elementary School, the sportsman's lodge and the Huddle House are all new additions, as are the numerous force protection measures.

Some improvements on post can be directly attributed to the formation of IMA and the alternate routes of funding it created; however, she gave Col. Henderson credit too.

"Col. Henderson improved the quality of life," she said. "I want to be able to continue what Col. Henderson started. There are a lot of great ideas to work with."



Photo by Denise Allen

Col. Karen Adams is the new garrison commander. Adams replaced outgoing commander Col. Robert Henderson.

## Newcomers offered area information

Denise Allen  
Signal staff

Soldiers and civilians new to the area can learn more about the businesses, services and non-profit organizations in the Augusta community at the annual newcomers' event.

"This is our fifth year, and it keeps growing and growing and growing," Pat Buchholz, Fort Gordon's strategic management officer, said of the event, which will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday at the Gordon Club.

Despite its title, the event is open to

those who are new to the area as well as those who may have lived here for a while.

"We can always learn something new about the community," said Buchholz.

Also, the event isn't just for married people and families, but single servicemembers from all the branches can find information that is of interest.

Banks, publications, child care services and non-profit organizations, such as the Greater Augusta Arts Council, the Augusta Ballet and the Augusta Opera, have participated in previous newcomers' events.

There will also be free pizza and Coca-Cola, she said.

Buchholz said the community showcase has received positive feedback because it offers one place on post where individuals can gather a wealth of information.

About 70 organizations participated last year, and businesses are eager to be a part.

"Just as soon as she (Janna Crane with the Augusta Metro Chamber of Commerce) throws it out, she's flooded immediately with calls," she said.

There aren't many events like this, and the Fort Gordon one is unique because it is free to the businesses and the guests.

"We don't charge. We want people to come and display their wares," she said.

## Multinational force attacks Zargawi location

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Multinational Force Iraq conducted a "precision attack" in southwest Fallujah Wednesday night, targeting an operating location used by the network of fugitive terrorist Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, officials announced in a news release.

Surrounded by fields, the two targeted buildings served as safe houses and meeting locations for known Zarqawi associates, the release said. Earlier in the day, the terrorists were seen removing a man from the trunk of a car, executing him, then burying his body.

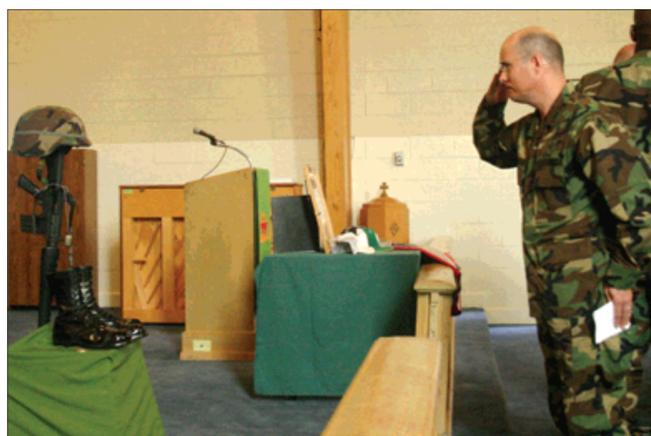
Multiple sources of Iraqi and coalition intelligence provided the basis for this operation, the release said. "Continued, successful strikes against Zarqawi's network of terrorists have degraded his capabilities and significantly eroded his base of support," the release continued.

Zarqawi is a convicted terrorist, tried in absentia in his native Jordan for his part in the October 2002 assassination of Laurence Foley, U.S. diplomat and U.S. Agency for International Development representative, in Amman, Jordan, and the December 1999 "Millennium" plot to attack Western tourists in that country.

He also is a prime suspect in numerous terrorist attacks in Iraq, and \$25 million awaits the person who provides information that leads to his death or capture.

Officials identify Zarqawi as the author of a letter intercepted on its way to al Qaeda's top leadership. In the letter, Zarqawi laid out a blueprint to instigate civil war in

Iraq by pitting one Muslim group against another and warned that a sovereign and stable Iraq would remove any pretext for terrorists operating in the country.



### Final tribute

Lt. Col. Mike Shillinger, 551st Signal Battalion commander, pays respects to Pvt. Tomas Collado Wednesday at the Friendship Chapel. Collado, an IET Soldier with the 447th Signal Battalion, 15th Regimental Signal Brigade, was killed in a car crash Saturday on Dean's Bridge Road near Gate 5. According to a Richmond County sheriff's deputy, excessive speed was a factor in the crash.

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# Take me out to the ball game

Denise Allen  
Signal staff

Although the Augusta GreenJackets lost 8-1 Saturday to the Rome Braves, Sgt. 1st Class Jeff Woodard seemed to be enjoying the game with his wife, Dee, and three sons.

"It's great," Woodard said of the game, which was part of a tribute to the men and women who had been deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan in the past 18 months. Woodard is a member of the 122nd Engineer Battalion, South Carolina National Guard.

Area residents had talked about doing something for veterans, but many ideas included parades.

And for those, it's the veterans who do all the work, said Woodard.

Several sponsors joined with the city of Augusta and the Augusta Metro and Columbia County chambers of commerce to present "CSRA Salutes the Military" before the GreenJackets game Saturday.

"We've never been able to do anything to thank them," said Bob Damen, president of the Association of the U.S. Army, a major contributor to the event.

Sponsors bought all of the general admission tickets and provided for a hot dog and drink for servicemembers and



Photo by Denise Allen

Soldiers watch an Augusta GreenJackets baseball game Saturday. The City of Augusta and the Augusta Metro and Columbia County chambers of commerce hosted "CSRA Salutes Our Military" at the stadium.

their families. Active duty, Reserves and National Guardsmen were invited to attend.

"Augusta has been so generous and so supportive; it's a wonderful, wonderful event," said Maj. Gen. Janet A. Hicks, U.S. Army Signal Center and Fort Gordon commanding general.

Prior to the game's start, there was a ceremony which brought together active duty military, members of veterans' groups such as the American Legion, and cadets with JROTC programs from area schools.

Thom Tuckey, military affairs consultant with the Au-

gusta Metro Chamber of Commerce, said the three groups on the playing field represented "three generations" of the military.

Each of the units brought their flags for the colorful event.

"I think it went well," he said.

## Iraq detainee board reviews 300 cases

American Forces Press Service

**Baghdad, Iraq** – The newly formed Combined Review and Release Board considered the detention of 300 security detainees during its first week of deliberation ending Aug. 28.

The board will consider the release, release with a guarantor or the continued detention of nearly 3,700 eligible security detainees, officials said.

The nine-member board brings together six representatives from the interim Iraqi government's ministries of justice, interior and human rights with three senior officers from the multinational force to determine which detainees remain a security threat as a result of anti-Iraqi activities.

The CRRB conducted its first meeting Aug. 21 and meets

at least three days per week. The board will continue to meet as long as it is deemed necessary for MNF-I to hold security detainees, as authorized by United Nations Security Council Resolution 1546, officials said.

The new process replaces the previous MNF-I board consisting of three senior officers, providing greater oversight by the Iraqi government in the review process and further ensuring that the circumstances surrounding a detainee's capture are reviewed impartially to determine whether he should continue to be held, officials said.

The CRRB considers several factors when reviewing each file, such as the circumstances of the detainee's capture, the length of detention prior to re-

view, the level of cooperation by the detainee and the detainee's potential for further acts of anti-Iraqi misconduct if released.

The final approval for all releases rests with the multinational force's deputy commanding general for detainee operations, Army Maj. Gen. Geoffrey Miller, who will make a decision after consulting with the Iraqi justice minister. Miller has vowed to accept the board's recommendations unless substantial additional information about a detainee becomes available that would cause the file to be sent back to the board for further review.

The multinational force currently detains about 5,300 people for security reasons, officials said. A legal review of

all files is conducted before they are sent to the CRRB to determine if criminal charges are warranted.

About 700 detainees are subject to criminal charges that will be prosecuted in the Central Criminal Court of Iraq and will not be considered by the board. Many of the individuals who will not be recommended for release by the board, officials added, also are likely to face criminal charges for their activities.

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# AAFES GM heads to Dallas

Denise Allen  
Signal staff

When Nick Williams looks back over his four years at Fort Gordon, there will be a mix of memories.

Good ones of faithful friends and successful business expansions abound for the Army and Air Force Exchange Services general manager who takes a position at the headquarters office in Dallas at the end of September; however, his time in the Augusta area is marked with memories of he and his wife's greatest tragedy, the loss of their teen-age son, Shane, in a car accident in April 2003.

"It's hard to leave," said Williams.

Williams spoke of increasing AAFES sales from \$65 million to "well over \$70 million" during his tenure in his office decorated with a wall of photographs devoted to Shane's little league baseball teams and other sports he played.

Shane was on his way to a golf tournament with other members of his Greenbrier High School golf team when he and teammate, Daniel Hall, were involved in a fatal accident.

Williams has two projects that he wants to see up and running before he leaves.

One is the Godfather's pizza scheduled to open mid-month, and the other is a golf practice

area dedicated to the memory of the two students.

Williams said he's pleased with the progress AAFES and its institutions have made during his time at Fort Gordon.

"Almost every manager has been promoted. All the managers are home-grown," he said. Seven food establishments have opened since Williams arrived and the shoppettes have been upgraded.

Williams said that he's opened more restaurants than any other AAFES in his region during that time.

Lack of restaurants has been "the biggest complaint, and we tried to attack that," he said.

The Starbucks in Eisenhower Army Medical Center will be expanding, and a Sunset Strips, which serves chicken, will be opening at Fort Gordon.

Besides restaurants, AAFES has brought in several other businesses including the new car wash on Lane Avenue, which has exceeded its use expectations.

The car wash was expected to generate about \$10,000 in sales a month, but it has been bringing in about \$15,000 instead.

A vision care center will open within the next year, and a Firestone automotive center is scheduled to open in the spring.

Williams will be the chief of the business planning branch at



Photo by Denise Allen

Nick Williams, general manager of AAFES, will be leaving for headquarters in Dallas at the end of September after four years at Fort Gordon.

AAFES headquarters.

"My section is going to be the one responsible for maintaining all military standards," he said.

He will work to standardize stores within AAFES so that they are the same from Fort

Stewart to Andrews Air Force Base.

Customers will be able to find items in the same spot at all stores, he said.

AAFES is working on developing a prototype store for the standard.

# Fisher boss back from Iraq

Denise Allen  
Signal staff

It took a few days for Francisco Cruz to get back into the swing of things at Fort Gordon's Fisher House.

"It's semi-embarrassing to have a volunteer retraining you on what you

used to do," Cruz said and chuckled.

Cruz returned to his civilian position as the house manager Aug. 16 after more than a year of being active duty with his Georgia National Guard unit.

The 878th Engineer Battalion was called to active duty in February 2003. Soldiers trained at Fort Stewart, Ga.,

until May 2003 and then headed to Kuwait and Iraq, where their main mission was to maintain a 60-mile stretch of road, which Cruz said was nothing more than six lanes of dirt and potholes.

Some of his most vivid memories are of the sweltering heat. He said they did not have any air conditioning when he first arrived so their work days began early. By noon it was too hot to continue working.

Among his photographs taken in Iraq is one of the air conditioning unit when it finally arrived.

While in Iraq, Cruz developed diabetes and was bothered with a bulging disc and pinched nerve. His illness brought him back to the states in October, but he wasn't yet released from his unit.

As manager of the Fisher House, Cruz daily works with families of Soldiers who've been injured in Iraq or Afghanistan. Families may stay at the Fisher House while their loved one is treated at Eisenhower Army Medical Center.

Since November 2002, the Fisher House hasn't charged any families of Soldiers who served in Iraq or Afghanistan for their lodging.

"That's about \$20,000 to \$25,000 in room fees," said Cruz.

With that income cut, the Fisher House is even more dependent on donations than it has been in the past.

Post organizations such as the Officers Spouses Club, the Health Services Auxiliary and others help raise money for the Fisher House and other community organizations such as the American Legion have made donations.

Donations can also be made through the Combined Federal Campaign.

Cruz said he's "definitely glad to be back" and has been touched by those in the community who said they missed him and have given him a warm welcome home.



Photo by Denise Allen

Francisco Cruz recently returned to his post at the Fisher House after being activated with his National Guard unit.

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## Modern day patriots are all around us

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**MINOT AIR FORCE BASE, N.D.** – We often read in our history books about patriots. What often comes to mind is someone like Mel Gibson dressed in early day garb as he was in the movie, “The Patriot.”

We may even think of Soldiers in rags in the snow at Valley Forge facing an overwhelming force of British regulars.

What about modern day patriots? Are there such people who risk their lives daily to protect our way of life, our nation that our forefathers passed down to us?

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You are now looking at a true patriot who is willing to put his or her life on the line, suffer whatever hardships come his or her way and cheerfully set about to do his or her tasks.

Look outside at your military friends and neighbors: more patriots.

Not one of us decided to enter the military to get rich. There is absolutely no way anyone of us can seek out fortune with a military career.

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Many have given up their lives in defense of our nation.

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Our nation’s forces are now entirely made up of volunteers just like you.

Throughout the hardships of frequent moves, high operations tempo, long hours without additional compensation, many missed important family events (our children taking their first steps, their first birthdays or Christmases, anniversaries) and long separations

that put us in harm’s way, we continue to sign on the dotted line for another tour to continue on in our nation’s defense.

It doesn’t matter where you work, whether it’s pushing papers at the military personnel flight, on gate guard duty or roaming the missile field, turning wrenches on the jets, deep underground in a missile silo, putting the throttles to the firewall on takeoff, ensuring the government funds are wisely spent, or serving up chow at midnight, you are a patriot in every sense of the word.

What are our attributes?

We beat ourselves up unmercifully when things don’t turn out as planned, but we fail to credit ourselves when our work turns out spectacularly.

Openly, we feel embarrassed when we are decorated for service above and beyond, but deep down, we feel proud that we did a job well done.

We willingly place ourselves in harm’s way to keep our families safe, for we know that if we don’t, an aggressor or a band of thugs will

soon be putting us all in jeopardy. Our spouses and family understand this, and they are the unsung heroes of this clan we call the profession of arms.

They are the ones who deal with broken down cars in the middle of the winter, and who care for our children who keep them up all night because they are sick or are missing us while we are deployed to some desolate location where someone is taking potshots at us.

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Patriots, you are the reason this nation is still free. You are the reason our citizens can travel the world knowing the United States is the sole superpower of the world.

We are surrounded by patriots; look in the mirror, look at your neighbor and if you are married, especially look at your spouse.

God bless the patriots of the United States of America – God bless you!

## Militia division disarms in Kabul, becomes ‘heroes of peace’

**Col. Randy Pullen**  
Special to American Forces Press Service

**KABUL, Afghanistan** — The 31st Division of the Afghan militia forces’ Central Corps disarmed in a Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration event held at the division’s barracks in Mataw Qala, West Kabul, Aug. 23.

Crew-served heavy weapons — mortars, rocket launchers, anti-aircraft guns and machine guns — as well as individual weapons and ammunition were turned over to the Afghan New Beginnings Program’s mobile disarmament unit.

The 170 officers and soldiers of the 31st Division were then provided with temporary DDR identification cards and the paperwork needed to allow them to visit the ANBP region office to select their reintegration packages.

The commander of the soon-to-be demobilized division, Brig. Gen. Alhaj Shah Mohammad Zakery, said that the division was obeying the decree of Afghan President Hamid Karzai and the command of the Afghan defense ministry to undertake the DDR process.

He also said the coalition and the United Nations were working for the peace and security of Afghanistan, and that he agreed with their aims.

“We are eager to help them,” Zakery said. “DDR is good for Afghanistan.”

Zakery said that 600 to 700 of his best

soldiers had already left the division to join the Afghan National Army and that he, too, was waiting to see if his nomination for a command in the ANA would be approved.

Former and present soldiers of the 31st Division agreed with the division commander as to the necessity to disarm.

“We must turn in our weapons to the government,” said former commander Abdul Rahman.

“It is the time for peace.” As he turned in his AK-47 and received his ANBP paperwork, Capt. Abdul Magid said, “I want our country to be a safe place. I am happy to do this.”

Several officials praised the 31st Division’s soldiers at the ceremony, both for their heroism on the battlefield against the enemies of the Afghan people and for their being “heroes of peace” in choosing to take part in the DDR process.

“You officers and soldiers here fought the Russians and al Qaeda and defeated them with your bravery,” Maj. Gen. Orya Khail of the Central Zone disarmament program, said to the disarming soldiers.

“Now you take another step in bringing peace and security by submitting your weapons and participating in the reconstruction of the country as heroes,” added Khail.

The 31st Division’s political and theological director, Gen. Sayed Azghar Aalammi, also noted the division’s fine record against the Russians, the Taliban and al Qaeda, and said

that turning in weapons and starting the DDR process was one more fine achievement for the division. He also requested that the demobilizing officers and men of the division be given proper jobs and careers according to their talents and qualifications.

In response, Ahmad Jan Nawzadi of the Afghan New Beginnings Program explained the disarming soldiers that those who have little education or are illiterate will receive professional education.

Those who have adequate literacy will have the chance to take short courses of teaching, communication, agriculture and small business.

He noted the purpose of DDR was not to disarm Afghans, but to collect weapons from irresponsible persons and unnecessary places and place them under the control of the government. And by that control, he added, the weapons still belong to the people of Afghanistan.

Manoel de Almeida e Silva, spokesman for the special representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations, said the total number of AMF soldiers disarmed in DDR’s pilot and main phases is 13,381.

The numbers of those demobilized and reintegrated are 13,022 and 11,549, respectively, he said.

(Pullen is the public affairs officer for the Office of Military Cooperation – Afghanistan.)

## Feedback

Sgt. Sam Smith

### Who or what influenced you to join the military?



Financial situations. I was newly married with my first child and needed to find a way to put food on the table.

**Spc. David Barnett**  
A Co., 551st Sig. Bn.



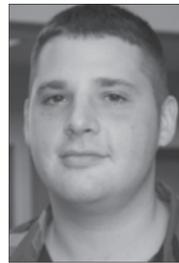
I have a strong military background. My father served in the military. (I’m) following a family tradition. Not my father exactly, but my whole family. Not just one person influenced me.

**Sgt. Samantha Ungo**  
DDEAMC



Basically, a decision I made because I wasn’t doing much with my life for about a year. I wanted to establish a stable foundation, develop some discipline, and get off my butt.

**Pvt. John Howard**  
297th M.I. Bn.



To earn my med(ical) degree and what happened in Sept. 11th. (I’m) just doing my part.

**Pfc. David Spivak**  
DDEAMC

## Private Murphy

By Mark Baker

### ‘Rendezvous’



### ‘Toilet paper’



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# Rodeo coming to town

Denise Allen  
Signal staff

The rodeo is coming to Fort Gordon's Barton Field Friday and Sept. 11.

Bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, calf roping, team roping, steer wrestling, girl's barrel racing and bull racing are among the events scheduled for the Professional Cowboy Association Rodeo.

"This same rodeo was in Thomson about two months ago," said Kim Lyons with the Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation. "It was very successful."

While rodeos have been held in the past, it's been several years, and this is the first time the PCA has held its event on post, she said.

"We get a lot of requests for different events," she said.

Not only will there be sanctioned rodeo events going on, there will be fun and games for the children as well.

A calf scramble will provide prizes for the child who gets the red ribbon off the calf's tail. Also, there will be carnival type rides, door prizes and pony rides.

For the cowboy at heart, there will be vendors selling western-re-

lated merchandise.

The event will be from 8 to 10:30 p.m. both nights, rain or shine. The gates open at 6 p.m.

Advance tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and younger. At the gate, tickets will be \$12 for adults and \$8 for children 10 and younger. Buy two adult tickets and get one child ticket free.

Tickets are available at all Papa John's Pizza locations, the Fort Gordon Federal Credit Union and Gordon Lanes Bowling Center.

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## Playful pup

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## LATAM

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After the visiting the PX, the conference moved to the Augusta Museum of History for the DCSG6 dinner. The highlight of the night was various countries getting together for Karaoke.

The next morning started off with presentations from the regional groups. The presentations are crucial for communications planning of future peacekeeping operations, humanitarian assistance and disaster relief.

One of the issues brought up was

the Caribbean's communication interoperability.

"The Caribbean Emergency Disaster Response Agency does not have the same communication assets across the Caribbean," said Senior Lt. Floyd Moxey, of the Bahamas. "There is a need for the CEDRA to establish common communication equipment and a regional satellite link to better respond to regional emergencies."

This is one of many issues the conference is progressively work-

ing on to solve.

The conference ended with a closing dinner at the Radisson Hotel with Col. Thomas Heaney, USARSO deputy commander of operations, giving a short speech.

Even though the conference has ended, the officers' work is just beginning. Once back home, the officers will pursue their C 4 missions to improve communication compatibility, as well as prepare for the Conference on American Armies in April.



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Spc. Andy Miller

Capt. Leyla Roman, the project officer for the Interactive Counseling Center, checks out the ICC workstation in the 1st Cavalry Division headquarters, that links deployed parents to schools in the United States.

## ICC links parents in Iraq with schools at home

Master Sgt. Dave Larsen  
Army News

BAGHDAD, Iraq – School is back in session across much of the United States and now Soldiers deployed to Iraq can keep tabs on their children's progress with only a mouse click.

The 1st Cavalry Division's system automation section has installed a special computer workstation in the division headquarters building with the sole purpose of allowing deployed parents the ability to stay on top of their children's progress in the classroom.

The workstation, called the Interactive Counseling Center, is part of the Military Child Education Coalition's efforts to help service members stay involved in their children's educational needs, even though they may be thousands of miles away.

The ICC workstation is available now for deployed parents to use in Baghdad.

"We've tested the system twice," said Capt. Leyla Roman, the ICC project officer and a battle captain with the division's system automation section. "This program offers a lot of options for parents, including face-to-face video teleconferencing with teachers or school counselors."

Roman said that hundreds of schools are linked into the Web-based ICC system, including every high school in the Killeen/Fort Hood area. The benefit for Soldiers is that instead of trading e-mails, or relying on the postal system to keep them abreast of their children's issues at school, they can address them immediately ... and in real time.

"The biggest advantage, I see, is for the military single parent," Roman said. "But every parent should be aware of the program and take advantage of it."

For most parents, tracking their child's progress in school is easy: notes sent home, regu-

lar report cards, and the ever-popular parent-teacher conferences.

For Soldiers deployed to Iraq, though, those options weren't available ... until now, Roman said.

Roman said that, currently, there is only one ICC workstation in Iraq, located in the division main headquarters building on Camp Victory North. She said that the administrators of the program at MCEC are looking to add more systems, based on how much the current workstation is utilized.

"There is the possibility of laptop versions of this workstation to be fielded elsewhere," Roman said. "The big thing now is to get parents in here to use it."

Deployed parents interested in using ICC can sign up by going to the system automation section's (G-6) main page on the division's secure intranet. Roman said that by clicking on the ICC icon, Soldiers can fill

out the required request form and get the process started.

The automation section will contact the school and set up a time for a video teleconference between deployed parents and school representatives.

"Even though most of the schools participating are high schools, we should also be able to contact middle schools and grade schools and get them involved in the program, too," Roman said. "All Soldiers need to do is contact us to get the process started."

(Larsen serves with 1st Cavalry Division public affairs.)

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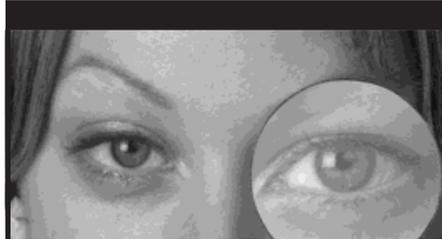
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# Veterans group donates \$20K supporting wounded Soldiers

**Samantha Quigley**  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – A late-April visit to Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany prompted the “Forty and Eight” veterans group to raise \$20,000 to benefit the Landstuhl Chaplain’s Fund. The check was presented today during a ceremony at the Pentagon.

Members of the Forty and Eight veterans group were surprised by two things when they visited the medical center in Germany.

The first was that morale was excellent. Regardless of the ailment, most Soldiers just wanted to finish the job they had started. “Their main goal is to get back,” William “Joe” Jamnick, the group’s national commander, said. “Morale is just terrific.”

The second was that when ill or injured troops were transferred to the facility from a combat zone, they were given a \$250 clothing allowance. Those coming in from areas like Bosnia did not receive the same benefit. That spurred the group’s fund-raising efforts on behalf of the Landstuhl Chaplain’s Fund. The program provides clothes, comfort items and prepaid phone cards to those troops who do not qualify for the clothing allowance.

The very night of their medical center visit, the Forty and Eight voyageurs, or members,

collected \$400 among themselves. Wanting to put it to immediate good use, they approached the local chaplain. They were told that they should take their money home with them and speak with the Army’s chief of chaplains to let him know what they were planning.

One week later, that \$400 became \$3,400 when Jamnick took a pie in the face during a Forty and Eight function in Pascagoula, Miss. Other local Forty and Eight groups also dug deep when Jamnick visited.

A South Carolina group donated \$1,300, and a New York group came up with \$1,100. “We passed the hat an awful lot,” Jamnick said. But after just three months and many individual donations, the Forty and Eight group was able to present Brig. Gen. Jerome A. Haberek, deputy chief of chaplains, with a check for \$20,000 to benefit the Landstuhl Chaplain’s Fund. And Jamnick said donations were still coming in from all over.

“You’ve seen these young Soldiers. You’ve seen their integrity and honesty, their devotion to duty,” Haberek said as he accepted the check. “Thank you for telling them that they’re not forgotten. Thank you for telling them that they are in your hearts and your minds and they are indeed America’s best.”

The four Forty and Eight members attending the check presentation were awarded



Photo by Samantha Quigley

**William “Joe” Jamnick, national commander of the Forty and Eight veterans group, presents Brig. Gen. Jerome A. Haberek, deputy chief of Army chaplains, a check for \$20,000. The group raised the funds to benefit the Landstuhl (Germany) Chaplain’s Fund. The fund is used to buy clothing and comfort items for ill or injured troops who do not qualify for a clothing allowance.**

coins on behalf of Maj. Gen. David Hicks, chief of chaplains. Haberek awarded his coins to the members’ wives for their part in the fund-raising.

The Forty and Eight group was established in 1920 by

members of the American Legion as a fun and honor society. According to the group’s brochure, the name comes from the French railway boxcars that could carry 40 men or eight horses to the front.

# Coalition team brings progress to Afghanistan’s Ghazni Province

**Sgt. Stephanie Carl**  
Special to American Forces Press Service

**GHAZNI PROVINCE, Afghanistan** – In many regions of Afghanistan, provincial reconstruction teams are helping the people rebuild their war-torn country.

It’s the same in Ghazni province. Coalition soldiers, joined by a representative from the U.S. Agency for International Development and a representative from the Afghan national government’s Ministry of the Interior, are working together to make improvements across the province.

“We currently have 64 (Commander’s Emergency Relief Program) projects in progress,” said Lt. Col. Steven J. Ford, Ghazni PRT commander. “We’ve completed about 90 projects in the last seven months.”

These projects range from rebuilding

schools and hospitals, to paving roads, digging wells and building a library that now boasts more than 1,000 volumes. The PRT also donates supplies to establishments, including schools, hospitals and orphanages.

“We’ve spent around \$5 million this fiscal year,” said Allen Nugent, Ghazni PRT’s USAID representative. USAID is an organization that provides funding for development in countries around the world.

The PRT isn’t just there for the reconstruction efforts, however. It also plays a great role in establishing a link among the coalition, the Afghan national government and the local nationals.

“We are a nonlethal weapon system,” said Maj. Scott C. Ford, Ghazni PRT’s Civil Military Operations Center commander. “We engage the target audience and develop strong working relationships with

the people in the area.” One of the strong working relationships the team has developed is with the local government. “We facilitate communication between the (Afghan) government organizations and the military,” said the PRT commander.

With this communication, the PRT is helping the rest of the coalition win the war on terror.

“The people here are starting to see that we’re here to do good,” said Sgt. Daniel Toleno, Ghazni PRT engineer. “We’ve had situations where the locals have detained (suspicious) people because we helped them with projects,” keeping at least one more anti-coalition militant from hindering the process of establishing a safer, more stable Afghanistan.

Toleno is assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 367th Engineer Battalion, U.S. Army Reserve, but is currently working with Company C, 367th Engineer Battalion. Much of his time is spent interacting with the local population, especially the contractors who are hired to complete PRT projects. His position requires him to monitor the contractors, but he also has the opportunity to impart his knowledge as an engineer.

“Every time I’m on a site I have the opportunity to talk to the contractors and find out what tools and equipment they think will make their job easier,” said Toleno. “I also do my best to help them find improved ways of doing things with the materials they have. They’re learning to explore better options.”

By helping the local population to develop in any way they can, the PRT is building strong bonds with their neighbors in Ghazni. “We’re here to facilitate enduring security, galvanize the Afghan people and assist with reconstruction,” said the PRT commander.

The PRT reaches its goals of stability and reconstruction one project and one conversation at a time.

(Carl is assigned to the 17th Public Affairs Detachment.)



Photo by Sgt. Stephanie Carl

**Soldiers from the Ghazni provincial reconstruction team in Afghanistan talk with villagers in the province. The PRT establishes relationships with the local citizens, furthering the coalition’s reach in the area.**

# Medics respond to Afghanistan school bombing

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – Coalition special operations forces medics, along with Afghan National Army personnel, rushed to help Afghan victims of an Aug. 28 explosion that ripped through a school in Zornat, killing 10 people, including a man, five teens and four young children. About 15 other people were injured.

“The coalition is determined to assist local authorities in bringing the perpetrators of this horrific act to justice,” said a coalition official at the scene, according to a Combined

Forces Command Afghanistan news release. “Whether a criminal act or a terrorist action, this tragedy underscores the need for continuing to focus on bringing security to Afghanistan.”

The coalition medics, experts in treating battlefield injuries, left some team members behind at the nearby coalition clinic to treat patients and coordinate medical evacuation of personnel to nearby hospitals, the release said.

Afghan government officials condemned the attack as the work of “enemies of Afghanistan.” Though the cause

of the explosion is still under investigation, witnesses said the blast may have come from a motorcycle parked at the school.

At a news conference in the Afghan capital of Kabul, Combined Forces Command Afghanistan spokesman Army Maj. Scott Nelson condemned the bombing.

“We are shocked and deeply upset that enemies of Afghanistan are targeting young children in school,” Nelson said. “The coalition condemns attacks on innocent civilians. We will provide every assistance to the government of Afghanistan

to find who’s responsible for this desperate and callous attack and bring him or her to justice.”

At the same news conference, Nelson provided details about an operation in Afghanistan’s Zabul province that resulted in the death of senior enemy leader who the major said posed “a serious threat to the security of Afghanistan.”

“The coalition will continue to seek out and destroy terrorist organizations and their infrastructure to help ensure security in Afghanistan,” Nelson said.

# Tips for life

**Chaplain (Maj.) Mark Awdykowyz**  
Chaplain resource manager

Everyone who provides a service or job wants to be rewarded. Everyone likes to be complimented for their effort and service. So it’s customary to give a tip when the barber, waiter or grocery bagger does a good job.

But there is also another kind of tip, the kind that helps us in a task or in living a more complete life.

Most will agree that the Army places a high priority on good leadership. Everything falls or rises on leadership. It behooves the military-minded individual to become the best leader possible with the resources God has entrusted to him or her. A well-known Christian author, John Maxwell, has written numerous books on leadership. Through compilations of this list with personal additions, I would like to suggest 10 spiritual leadership tips.

First, try to provide an honest answer to the question, “Who is in charge of your life?” Some of you may be thinking, “What does he mean? Of course I’m in charge of my life.” For others, it may be a spouse, drill sergeant or immediate supervisor. And for others it’s the Lord Jesus Christ.

Next, develop a biblically-based definition for success, such as knowing my purpose in life, growing to my maximum potential, and sowing seeds that benefit others. That would be a definition based on biblical principles. Your current definition of success or lack thereof, should tell you something about who is in charge of your life.

Practice the presence of God. So often we live different lives at work and at home.

There have been numerous times where Soldiers have changed their behavior because a chaplain was in the area. What if we lived as though God lived among us all the time? How would our lives be different?

Periodically ask yourself these three questions: What drives me? What gives me value and significance? What are my priorities and does my calendar support this list?

Assess your strengths and weaknesses. In other words, how has God made you, and how can you best serve others with who you are and what you can do?

Learn to admit, identify and deal with damaged emotions. You may think, “What for?” Although it’s the past, and in Jesus Christ you are forgiven, the healing process is often long and influences the way you think and feel.

Our thinking base determines our perceptions, which gives birth to emotions. Consequently, it’s important to know and understand the person in the mirror.

Don’t try to please everyone. There is only one whom you should please. It’s impossible to please everyone all the time; thank God we don’t have to live that way! We only need to please our creator. And in order to do that, we have to know Him and what He is like. We live to please God and try to be at peace with all people and respect what is right.

Strive to maintain a balanced life – spiritually, mentally, physically and emotionally. Some modern day Christian leaders believe this is the key to success. It is very easy to allow life to become out of balance. Keep yourself fit not just physically, but spiritually, mentally and emotionally as well.

Finally – recognize, support and encourage others. Anyone can steer a ship, but it takes a leader to arrive at the destination. Focus on the strengths that others offer.

Manage the weaknesses and capitalize on the strengths. Acknowledge the contributions of others, under gird them in difficulties and build them up, and they will follow your leadership wherever it takes them.

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LDS representative is Sergeant 1st Class (retired) Scott Robison, 533-0376. Apostolic Pentecostal’s representative is Chaplain Snyder, 791-4683.

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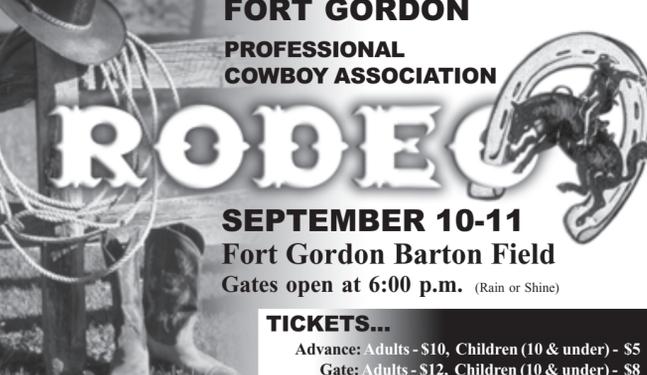
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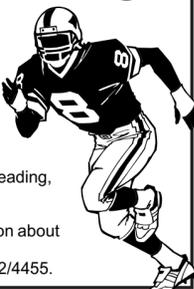
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# Army report details more findings in Abu Ghraib prison investigation

Joe Burlas  
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — The Army's latest findings on the detainee abuse that occurred in Iraq's Abu Ghraib prison late last year determined that abuse can be traced to issues affecting command and control, doctrine and the level of training and experience of Soldiers operating in a dangerous environment — facing almost daily deadly hazards, according to Army senior leaders.

Gen. Paul Kern, Army Materiel Command commanding general and the officer ultimately assigned the responsibility to oversee the Army Regulation 381 Procedure 15 investigation into possible military intelligence personnel involvement in the alleged abuse at Abu Ghraib, briefed the press about results of the investigation at the Pentagon Aug. 25.

The investigation is commonly known as the Fay-Jones investigation, referring to its top two investigators, Maj. Gen. George R. Fay and Lt. Gen. Anthony J. Jones. It is just one of several investigations into various aspects of the overall issue of detainee abuse. The results of an independent panel that reviewed Department of Defense detention operations, headed by former Defense Secretary James Schlesinger, was made public Aug. 24.

"This was clearly a deviation of everything we've taught people on how to behave," Kern said. "There are values that we treasure in the U.S. Army and in the United States that were not upheld in the report we turned in — that in itself is extremely troubling. There were failures of leadership of people seeing these things and not correcting them. There were failures of discipline — hallmarks against what we believe are the values and creed by which we live in the military, that is very troubling."

**NEW ALLEGED ABUSERS**  
The investigation identified 23 MI Soldiers who were assigned to the 205th MI Brigade in Iraq, four civilian contractors working with the 205th and three military police Soldiers working at the prison who may have been involved beyond the seven already identified in previous investigations. Investigators also found that other Soldiers and civilians knew about the abuse and failed to report it.

The names of the MI and MP Soldiers have been forwarded with the investigation results to each Soldier's commander for determination whether the alleged abuser should be court-martialed under the Uniform Code of Military Justice or if other action is appropriate. The names and investigation results of the contractors have been forwarded to the U.S. Justice Department for possible criminal charges under federal laws.

"Our primary focus was to look at the 205th MI Brigade and how its Soldiers might have been involved in detainee abuse," said Maj. Maricela Alvarado, one of the Jones-Fay investigators and executive of-

ficer to Fay. "We found there was clearly some MI involvement in intentionally violent and abusive techniques in line with what we have all seen on TV and in the newspaper, some unauthorized use of guard dogs and the use of other unauthorized techniques, and numerous cases of failure to report abuse that Soldiers had seen or were aware of, knew was wrong, but did nothing about it."

**ABUSE AT TACTICAL LEVEL**  
One major finding of the investigation was that no one in the chain of command above the 205th MI Brigade was directly involved in incidents of abuse at Abu Ghraib. Further, it acknowledged that organizations and personnel above the 205th were indirectly involved through lack of oversight, failure to react to warnings, such as the International Committee of the Red Cross report that warned of some abuse, and policy memos that failed to provide clear, consistent guidance for execution at the tactical level.

For purposes of the investigation, detainee abuse was defined as treatment of a detainee that violates U.S. law or international law, or inhumane treatment without legal justification.

The last part of the definition, Alvarado said, is in accordance with the Geneva Convention. The convention allows different types of treatment for different categories of prisoners or detainees. For example, it forbids forcing officer prisoners of war to do manual labor, while allowing enlisted service members to do manual labor as long as that labor is not in direct support of the enemy war effort.

**CHOOSING WRONG OVER RIGHT**

This investigation identified 44 alleged instances of detainee abuse committed by MP and MI Soldiers, as well as civilian contractors. In 16 of these instances, MI personnel allegedly requested, encouraged, condoned or solicited MP Soldiers to abuse the detainees. The abuse, however, was directed on an individual basis and never officially sanctioned or approved. In 11 instances, MI personnel were directly involved in the abuse.

These individuals clearly chose to do the wrong thing in violation of their training and established policies, Alvarado said. "There was no gray area — they knew they were doing wrong," she said.

**LACK OF TRAINING**

The report found about half of the new alleged cases were Soldiers believing they were doing the right thing — either because the interrogation technique they used was allowed in other theaters at other times, or because they honestly believed the technique they used was authorized by higher up the chain of command, Alvarado said.

"We have MI operations going on in Bosnia, Kosovo, Afghanistan, GITMO (Guantanamo Bay, Cuba) and Iraq — all with different sets of rules for what is authorized and what is not in the interrogation process," she said.

The report detailed multiple

deployments of MI units with little train-up time for new missions prior to new deployments as part of the problem with Soldiers not knowing what may have been an approved technique a year ago in Kosovo not being right in Iraq today. That problem was exacerbated in the 205th MI Brigade, Alvarado said, as investigators found no evidence that the brigade or its subordinate units conducted any refresher training once they arrived in Iraq.

**GHOST DETAINEES**

The investigation also looked into reports of "ghost detainees" — individuals who were detained in military facilities but not logged into the military system. Alvarado said it was difficult getting an accurate number of how many ghost detainees were detained at Abu Ghraib since they were not processed, but investigators

found evidence of about seven or eight ghost detainees held at Abu Ghraib. She said they were cases of other government agencies bringing in detainees and then telling Army personnel that they were to be kept off the books.

"The Army has certain rules to abide by and one is to document every detainee that comes into custody," Alvarado said. "It applies to every detainee brought into an Army facility. We clearly failed to follow our own policy."

**MOVING ON RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Army is moving on the report's recommendations, including training MI officers in interrogation operations, something currently not included in officer qualification courses. Another recommendation which has also been corrected is the placement of one sole

individual responsible for overseeing both detention and interrogation operations.

"The good news out of the investigation is that the vast majority of MI Soldiers know what is right and what is wrong, and they are choosing to do the right thing in a very difficult environment," Alvarado said.

**THOROUGH CERTIFICATION**

"We are recommending in our report that actions be taken to fix all these things," Kern said. "What I will tell you today is we have just returned from both Afghanistan and Iraq, that you will not find those conditions there today. We are doing a very thorough certification process with the people involved with detention and interrogations."

"There are people who are very clearly in charge of Abu Ghraib — Maj. Gen. Geoff

Miller, who has brought organization, discipline and leadership to that prison facility," he said. "There are actions being taken in our schools to change doctrine, to improve training. We are training in theater for those who may have missed the school training. So the circumstances today, notwithstanding actions still to be taken on our report, are much improved."

The investigation report is about 10,000 pages long with appendices. Investigators conducted 172 interviews with privates through the general officers and included civilian contractors and detainees. The investigation started in late April and wrapped up in late July.

An executive summary of the report can be viewed at [www.army.mil/ocpa/reports](http://www.army.mil/ocpa/reports).

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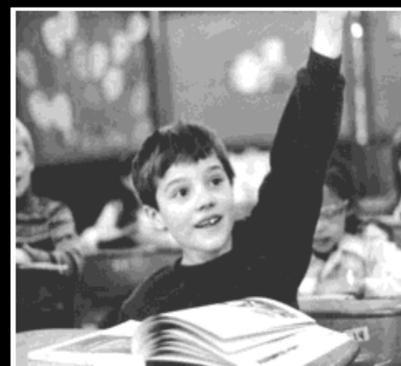
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# Reporters offered look inside tribunals

**Kathleen Rhem**  
American Forces Press Service

**NAVAL BASE GUANTANAMO BAY, Cuba** — As the world's attention was focused on the first hearings in war-crimes trials against four enemy combatants here this week, another type of proceeding was going on elsewhere on the base that ultimately will involve all 585 detainees held here.

DoD is convening Combatant Status Review Tribunals within the Camp Delta prison complex to determine individually if detainees are properly classified as illegal combatants. Roughly 40 detainees have gone through hearings, and the process is nearly completed for at least 14 of them.

Media visiting Guantanamo Bay this week to witness the first military commission hearings were offered the chance to witness first-hand one of the combatant-status tribunals. Ground rules for coverage forbid identifying any participants by name.

After being cleared and escorted through several layers of security, visitors arrive at the pre-fabricated building that houses the Office of Administrative Review for Detained Enemy Combatants Forward. OARDEC is a Washington office set up under the purview of Navy Secretary Gordon England to make the combatant-status review process possible.

In an interview room, officials explained, the detainees meet with a personal representative, a military officer assigned to assist them through the process. In the interview room, detainees are shackled, and a guard sits outside the door.

Detainee participation in the process has run the gamut from crumpling up the documents presented to asking animatedly to help prepare their defense. No detainees have been hostile to their personal representative, but some have refused to participate, the officials said.

The room is small, brightly lit, with a light-blue carpet and lightly colored paneled walls. "We wanted (the detainees) to understand that this is a different process," an official said. "This is something new."

The personal representatives are obligated to present any unclassified evidence to the detainee and explain there is no expectation of confidentiality in the process. However, interrogators or intelligence personnel have no access to information obtained in the process, and guards don't enter the room, the officials stressed repeatedly.

Following is a description of an actual hearing as observed by a reporter visiting Guantanamo. The tribunal described here happened on Aug. 25 and was the 36th that has occurred.

The detainee was already in the room when the panel members entered. He showed little emotion and made few movements. The man had a long, dark beard, close-cropped hair and wore a black crocheted skullcap. He wore a bright orange short-sleeved shirt and pants that resembled hospital scrubs. He was handcuffed and wore leg irons. The leg manacles were secured to a ring in the floor with a padlock.

Also in the room were an interpreter, in casual civilian clothing and seated next to the detainee; a court reporter; a recorder, an Army major; and the detainee's personal representative, an Air Force major. The three panel members filed into the room and took their seats at a table across the front of the room. They included an Air Force colonel, an Air Force lieutenant colonel, and a Navy commander. None of the military members in the room had nametags on their uniforms.

Two media representatives sat just inside the door, about five to six feet from the detainee. Directly behind the panel members was a large one-way mirror. Several OARDEC Forward officials

were watching from the next room.

From the hallway, the sound of chains clanking as other detainees were being moved was clearly audible.

The detainee was advised of his rights to testify or present evidence if he chooses and of his right to decline these things. Then he was told of the evidence collected against him.

"(Name omitted) served with the Taliban, trained on the Kalashnikov rifle, and surrendered to General Dostrum's forces in Afghanistan. At that time he was carrying a Kalashnikov rifle," the Air Force colonel said.

The recorder then said there was no further unclassified evidence to submit and requested a closed hearing to present classified evidence. He also explained the detainee had requested three witnesses be brought forward to testify that he was forcibly taken from his family and forced to join the Taliban.

Due to the "limited scope" of the tribunal proceeding, the board president explained, how or why the individual joined the Taliban is not a consideration. "The request for witnesses is denied," he said.

Next the detainee was given a chance to make a statement on his own behalf. He chose to make his statement under oath. He was unable to raise his right hand because of the chains, but swore to Allah to tell the truth.

"They came to my house and took me by force. I joined the Taliban by force, not by my own choice," he said, through the interpreter. "Ev-

erybody in Afghanistan knows that if the government asks you, you can't say no."

He explained that the Taliban was collecting people from all over Afghanistan to fight the forces of Gen. Abdul Rashid Dostrum, an ethnic Uzbek rebel commander. The detainee offered to go back to Afghanistan with the tribunal members to find people who would verify his story. He also explained he comes from a very poor area and couldn't

leave his home and family to flee from the Taliban.

"I could not leave the area and leave the house and family there," he said. "That's all I'm going to say. I said this under oath; that is the truth."

Through questions asked by the personal representative, the tribunal panel learned the man had no ammunition when he was captured and had been held under guard the whole time he was with the Taliban forces.

Further questioning by the panel members revealed that he underwent four days of military training, that he never actually fought for the Taliban, and was never assigned any military duties in the month he was held by Taliban forces at a compound in Konduz. The tribunal members also learned the man was married and had six children.

The panel members then explained to the man that he would be notified of the tribunal results. If he is found to not be an enemy combatant, he will be returned to his home country. Should he be found to be correctly classified as an enemy combatant, he will then be eligible to go through an annual review board at a later date to determine if he is still a threat to the United States.

The panel and media observers then left the room. Officials said the panel members immediately would hold a closed hearing to receive the classified evidence and then

vote on whether they thought the detainee was an enemy combatant.

The officials explained the detainee's request for witnesses was denied because what they would have testified on — that he was compelled by force to join the Taliban — would not be germane to the proceedings. The definition of enemy combatant "does not address consent or intent," an official explained.

Witnesses who could testify that a detainee was forced to join the Taliban could be relevant to the upcoming annual review board, the official said.

He admitted it's hard to watch in cases like this, where the detainee says he was taken from his home and family by force and forced to go with the Taliban. "It's gut-wrenching," the official said. "But our job at this juncture is just to answer this one question. And we want to do it what we call PRF — proper, right and fair — and make fact-based decisions," he said.

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# Community Events

## Newcomers' event

The Augusta Metro Chamber of Commerce is holding a newcomers' event titled "Putting 'u' in Aug. sta" from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. **Thursday** at The Gordon Club.

All active duty, family members, and civilians new to the area are invited to attend.

More than 70 vendors (businesses and community organizations) will be present.

Refreshments and door prizes available (you do not have to be present to win).

## Support group meets

The Gordon Regional Security Operations Center family support group meets from 10-11 a.m. and 5:30-6:30 p.m. **Sept. 16.**

The meeting is about how to cope with family separation, offer personnel support services assistance and voice any concerns. It is an opportunity to meet with other deployed servicemembers' family members and enjoy refreshments.

Children are welcome and the movie "Finding Nemo" will be shown.

The meeting will be held at the 116th Military Intelligence Group conference room, Building 21720. For information, call Chap. (Capt.) Owen Richardson at 791-0969 or Maj. Wanda Chatman at 791-0975.

## Hispanic Heritage Month program

The Hispanic Heritage Month command program is at 1:30 p.m. **Sept. 22** in Alexander Hall.

The theme this year is "Hispanic Americans: Making a Difference in Our Communities and Our Nation." Guest speaker is Consuelo Castillo Kiebusch, a retired Army lieutenant colonel.

For information, call Staff Sgt. Steven Townsend at 791-2014.

## Signal Symposium scheduled

The U.S. Army Signal Center and the Augusta, Fort Gordon Chapter of the Armed Forces Communications Electronics Association host the Signal Regimental LandWarNet Symposium from **Nov. 29 to Dec. 3.**

The theme is "LandWarNet - Networking the Force in the Joint Fight."

For information contact Capt. Jonathan Starnberg at 791-7800 or Master Sgt. Derrick Taylor 791-2691.

## Career fair

Goodwill Industries is holding its monthly career fair from 9 a.m.-noon **Wednesday** at 3120 Peach Orchard Rd.

The event is open to the public; business attire recommended. Companies participating include Quality Inn, Home Depot and Sears.

For information, call 790-8500.

## Arts festival

The 24th Annual Arts in the Heart of Augusta festival is **Sept. 17-19.**

The festival features more than 70 artists and craftsmen, a children's art area, ethnic foods, musicians and more. Hours are 5-9 p.m. **Sept. 17, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sept. 18** and noon-7 p.m. **Sept. 19.**

Admission is \$5 for the weekend; children 10 and younger free.

For information go to [www.artsintheheart.com](http://www.artsintheheart.com).

## ESL classes

Army Community Service and Augusta Technical College present free English as a Second Language classes at the Family Outreach Center.

Beginner classes held 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays; intermediate classes meet 9:30-11:30 a.m. Thursdays or 6:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays; casual conversation classes meet 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays. Classes begin **Thursday.**

For information, call 791-3579 or 231-8277.

## Jazz concert

Paine College presents Jennifer Holliday in concert at 5 p.m. **Sunday** at the Jessye Norman Amphitheater.

Other acts scheduled include Playback the band, Sounds Unlimited, Quiet Storm and Mellow-D.

Tickets cost \$15 in advance; \$18 the day of the show. Proceeds benefit the United Negro College Fund.

For information, call 821-8217.

## Spouses class

Army Community Service offers You're in the Army Now!, a new program for military spouses sponsored by Army Family Team Building, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. **Sept. 23.**

The program allows family members to spend a typical day as a Soldier, eating and training with members of the 93rd Signal Brigade. Free childcare available for those with confirmed reservations.

To register or for information, call 791-3579 or 791-3880.

## Dinner theatre

The Fort Gordon Dinner Theatre presents Neil Simon's Barefoot in the Park **Sept. 17, 18, 24, 25** and **30, and Oct. 1 and 2.** Dinner begins at 7 p.m.; the show at 8 p.m.

Tickets cost \$33 for civilians; \$31 for DA civilians, retirees and E-8 and above; \$21 for E-7 and below; \$16 for show only.

For tickets or information, call 793-8552 or go to [www.fortgordon.com](http://www.fortgordon.com).

## Resumix class

The new RESUMIX-DEU, civilian personnel automated tool, will be presented at Olmstead Hall **Wednesday.** There are two sessions offered (personnel only need to attend one) from 10-11:30 a.m. or 2:30-4 p.m.

## Commander's course

The commander/first sergeant orientation course is Oct. 18 to 22 in Darling Hall, room 229B.

Start time on Monday is 8:45 a.m. and 9 a.m. Tuesday through Friday.

The criteria for this course is any commander or first sergeant who has just assumed command; has been serving in the position six months or less; or are about to take command. Registration deadline is **Sept. 24.**

For more information contact Sgt. 1st Class Darron Ison at 791-9536 or [isond@gordon.army.mil](mailto:isond@gordon.army.mil).

## Aerobathon

Fort Gordon's Physical Fitness center Gym 4 is holding an aerobathon from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. **Sept. 18.**

Sponsored by the Sports & Fitness department, the five hour event will include HI/LO impact aerobic, step aerobic, kickboxing and an abdominal workout. The cost is \$2 per person.

Pre-register from 5:30-9 a.m. or 11 a.m.-1 p.m. **Sept. 17** at Gym 3. For information call Lula Ray at 791-2864.

## Story hour

Woodworth Library is having a Pre-school Story Hour from 11 a.m.-noon each **Wednesday**, through May.

Story hour features a series of fun and encouraging educational activities for children ages 2-5.

Volunteers are welcome. For information, contact Joyce Daniels or Jean Ballejo at 791-7323.

## Braves discounts

The Atlanta Braves now offer a daily military discount. Receive a 2 for 1 discount on Upper Box tickets just by showing a Military ID card at the box office.

The Braves also offer members of the Armed Forces access to the popular 755 Club, a member's only restaurant and sports bar overlooking left field, on Sept. 11. Simply present Military I.D. and game ticket at the entrance of the 755 Club for admittance. Each I.D. will admit two guests.

Tickets for the Sept. 11 game may be purchased online at <http://www.ticketmaster.com/promo/7951>.

Groups of 10 or more may be purchased in advance by calling (404)614-1404. All advance group orders will be block seated and receive scoreboard recognition.

## MOAA meeting

The Augusta Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America is holding its monthly meeting/luncheon at 11:30 a.m. **Sept. 17** at the Gordon Club.

The guest speaker for the luncheon is former Lt. William Funchess, who will describe his experiences as a POW of the Communist Chinese during the Korean War. He was held in captivity for more than 1,000 days.

For information call William Mannel at 854-0895.

## Classes begin

Paine College Fort Gordon campus begins Term II classes **Oct. 12.** Late registration held Oct. 12-14. For information, call 791-7979.

## Signal Corps Regimental Ball

The Atlanta Chapters of the Signal Corps Regimental Association and the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association host the Greater Atlanta Signal Regimental Ball **Sept. 17** at the Commons on Fort McPherson, Ga.

The reception starts at 6 p.m.; dinner begins at 7 p.m. Dress for military personnel is Dress Blue, Dress Mess or Dress Green, with formal attire for civilians. Tickets cost \$30 per person for the buffet dinner.

The deadline for reservations is **Sept. 13** and can be made by calling (404) 464-6713 or go to [www.afcea-atlanta.org](http://www.afcea-atlanta.org).

## Welcome coffee

The Eisenhower Army Medical Center Health Services Auxiliary is having a Welcome Coffee from 10



The Signal Theater is open Thursday-Sunday. Shows begin at 6:30 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.

**Sept. 3-5**  
**Friday - The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13)**  
**Saturday - The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13)**  
**Sunday - Thunderbirds (PG)**

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

a.m.-noon **Friday** at 6 Boardman Lake.

RSVP to Lauren Parker at 922-9993.

## Volunteer drive

A Volunteer Drive is scheduled from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. **Sept. 14** in the Dinner Theatre, Building 32100.

The event will provide an opportunity for programs and services on Fort Gordon to recruit and develop a volunteer database.

For information call Lynn Harshman at 791-3579.

## POW observance

Fort Gordon observes Prisoner of War/Missing in Action recognition day 10 a.m. **Sept. 17** at the POW/MIA monument at the intersection of Chamberlain Avenue and Kilbourne Street.

## Family child care homes off post

The Fort Gordon Family Child Program is currently seeking qualified active duty and retired military spouses to provide off post child care.

For more information contact the FCC office at 791-3993 or 791-4440.

## Life insurance elections

The Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Program, celebrating the 50th anniversary of the FEGLI program, is conducting an

Open Season through **Sept. 30.**

The effective date of coverage is delayed until the first day of the first pay period that begins on or after Sept. 1, 2005.

Election of coverage must be completed through the Army Benefits Center; no paper election will be accepted.

For information, contact Karen Ellis at 791-4179.

## Signal reunion

The 17th Signal Battalion association is having its 10th reunion **Sept. 16-19** in San Antonio, Texas.

For information, call Henri Vellmure at (561)750-0371 or e-mail [vellmurehjl@att.net](mailto:vellmurehjl@att.net).

## Rodeo coming

The Professional Cowboy Association is holding a rodeo from 8-10:30 p.m. **Friday** and **Sept. 11** at Barton Field.

The rodeo features bareback riding, roping, steer wrestling, saddle bronc riding and more.

Advance tickets cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 10 and younger. Tickets available at area Papa John's locations, Fort Gordon Federal Credit Union and Gordon Lanes.

For information, call 791-6779 or go to [www.fortgordon.com](http://www.fortgordon.com).

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# Sports & Leisure

## Sports UPDATE

### Aerobathon

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Pre-register from 5:30-9 a.m. or 11a.m.-1 p.m. Sept. 17 at Gym 3. For information call Lula Ray at 791-2864.

### Free golf lessons

Gordon Lakes Golf Course offers free 10-minute golf lessons the third **Wednesday** of each month through October.

For information, call 791-2433 or stop by the Pro Shop to sign up.

### Outdoor recreation

The Army's Clark Hill Recreation Area offers camping, water skiing, fishing, hiking, biking and more. Located just 25 miles from Fort Gordon, the area is open to all ID card holders.

For information, call 541-1057.

### Aerobics

Total body workout. Thirty-minute cardio workout and a 20-minute upper-body work-out. Bring hand weights, a towel and water bottle. **Tuesdays and Thursdays** from 5:30 p.m. until completion at Gym 6.

For information, call 791-4300.

### Rodeo

A rodeo will be held at Barton Field from 8-10:30 p.m. **Friday and Sept. 11.** Gates open at 6 p.m. Events include bareback, saddle bronc and bull riding, calf roping, steer wrestling and more.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 10 years old and under, in advance, and \$12 for adults and \$8 for children 10 years old and under, the day of the event. For more information, call 791-6779.

### Golf tournament

The 93rd Signal Brigade is hosting a brigade golf tournament to be held Oct. 1 at the Gordon Lakes Golf Course. Cost is \$40 for each participant. All proceeds will be donated to the Fort Gordon Christmas House. All proceeds need to be submitted through the battalion representatives by Sept. 23. For more information, call Ashley Goodrum at 791-9322.

### Bicycle Riding Group

Bike riding group rides. Bikers to meet Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. Starting point is Signal Towers for a 28-mile loop to Leitner Lake. For more information, call Maj. Dave Simmons at 791-8087.

### Permits

The Hunting and Fishing Permit office has moved from Ring Hall to the Tactical Advantage Sportsman's Complex on Carter Road (past the Gordon Lakes Golf Course on right) Hours for selling permits are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday - Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays.

### Pfc. Armando Monroig

Signal staff

He has love for the game. Love for basketball. Love for soccer. Love for any competitive sport you could think of.

But it was the love for his daughter that made him decide to join the Army in search of a more stable life in that he could provide for his daughter and wife.

Since then the family has grown to four children - three girls and a boy make up his family: nine-year-old Yesenia, six-year-old Yasmeen, five-year-old Gabriel, and seven-month-old Yanelli.

Staff Sgt. David Maddaford, member of the Joint Communications Support Element based at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Fla., is a signal Soldier currently at Fort Gordon participating in a 10-week Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course.

It is not the first time this six-year Army veteran has been on Fort Gordon. Maddaford spent his Advanced Individual Training here from 1998-99 as he trained for his military occupational specialty of 31S, or satellite communication maintainer operator.

The 28-year-old El Paso, Texas, native has been playing soccer for 22 years - since he was 6 years old.

He played soccer for two years while in college and four years of All Army from 2000-2003. Maddaford played on the All Armed Forces team twice and made the team his first time as a private first class.

After he finished two years of junior college, he was going to transfer to the Division I school, University of New Mexico. But while his aspirations were leading him towards a career in soccer, his focus turned to family.



Courtesy photo

(Center) Staff Sgt. David Maddaford, Joint Communication Support Element, McDill Air Force base, poses with Armed Forces Soccer teammates (left) Lt. Chad Henderson, and (right) Sgt. Orlando Suasovivas, while at a competition in 2001 in Port Said, Egypt.

Maddaford said he has always been recognized for playing soccer - from making all-star youth teams, all-city in El Paso, all-district, all-conference in junior college, being captain and most valuable player on some teams, and being named best defensive player of the team.

When he did try out for the UNM team, he did so as a walk-on, competing against All-American soccer players for a slot on a team ranked 14th in the nation.

Maddaford married and had his first child when he was 19. When he transferred to his next school, he found out his wife was pregnant again.

Although he loved the sport of soccer, his love for taking care of his family motivated him to enlist in the Army. It is a trade off he said he does not regret.

"I figured it was time to stop playing soccer and go

get a job so that I could support my family, so I joined the Army," said Maddaford.

And to his surprise, Maddaford did not know the Army had a soccer team. So although he did not pursue a career in soccer, the Army allowed him to do both - take care of his family and play the game he loves.

Maddaford just hopes he can take full advantage of all the opportunities the Army has to offer - both for himself and his family.

That is why he plans to go to airborne school, and eventually participate in the Army's Green-to-Gold program to get his commission.

But it is the same drive that made him a successful soccer player outside the Army that has made him a successful one in the Army and also a successful Soldier - he made E-6 in four years.

And that drive also moti-

vates him to try out for unit sports teams and for the All Army and All Armed Forces Soccer team.

"I knew I had talent," said Maddaford. "I didn't know what the Army had to offer, but I wanted to go out and test my skills."

The process of trying out for the All Army team is competitive. The season begins in October and can run from one to three months.

Participants go through a three-week tryout period for slots on the team and once part of the team, train for a month before going to the Armed Forces competition.

At the end of the tournament players from each service team are selected for the All Armed Forces team which competes every two years against Canada and Barbados for the North American military title.

Maddaford said it is challenging because most of

the time the U.S. All Armed Forces Soccer team competes against professional athletes who are doing their time of mandatory military service for their country.

"They're true soccer players," he said. "We're Soldiers playing soccer and they're soccer players playing Soldier."

In his first year on the team, the All Armed Forces team made it to the World Military Games, where they competed against Qatar and Greece.

In 2003, the team won the silver in the Armed Forces Competition. The team has received a medal every year he has played coming in first place once and second place twice.

This will be the first year since being in active duty Army that Maddaford will not be participating in the All-Army soccer tryouts due to attending Airborne school at Fort Benning, Ga.

Although he loves basketball and is equally talented in that game as in soccer (he scored 64 three-pointers in 19 games in high school), he has been recognized for his soccer skills above others.

"I enjoy the competition. I'm a defender. I love the challenge of taking on that forward and dominating him, taking the ball and shutting him down," said Maddaford.

Although he would love to be in Olympic-level competition, he said he is getting too old to compete at that level.

He also said there isn't a program in the Army established as a path to Olympic competition for soccer as there is for boxing or running.

"When I was younger I wanted to play professionally," said Maddaford, adding that it is one way for his kids to be proud of him. "Now, it's just really for my kids - I want them to see me play and say 'Wow, I want to do that.'"

## Skeet shooting event held at sports complex

### Pfc. Armando Monroig

Signal staff

The First Commander's Cup Invitational Skeet Shooting Tournament was held at Fort Gordon's new Tactical Advantage Sportsman's Complex July 31.

The competition, the first of its kind at the facility, was the kickoff event at the new complex that celebrated its grand opening July 29.

Forty shooters participated in the tournament, with eight, five-man teams participating in the 50-target tournament.

Shooters traveled from all over the southeast to participate, as well as international students from Saudi Arabia.

Lt. Col. Mike Shillinger, 551st Signal Battalion commander, won the High-over-all for the event, breaking 47 of 50 targets, using a Remington 3200 12-gauge shotgun.

Staff Sgt. Roland Howard, Headquarters and Company A, 551st Signal Battalion, shooting a Browning Citori 12 gauge, placed third with his teammates as part of the overall team competition.

Skeet is where shooters attempt to down a series of flying, saucer-like targets. The shooting is designed to simulate the types of shots a hunter would experience while bird hunting.

Shot-gunners shoot at these targets from various angles, in various combinations, ranging

in speed from 50-75 mph.

"This is great!" Shillinger said about the new sportsman's complex. "We have done without a formal shooting facility since the old range closed on Fort Gordon in 1990. I am eternally grateful to the Garrison and the volunteers that went to a huge effort to get the facility built and running."

The experienced skeet-shooter said it serves many purposes for the community.

"This new facility does several things for us: As warriors the ability to hone our shooting skills is key. This facility gives off duty Soldiers another great and safe activity to enjoy," he said.

Shillinger added that it is a good place to pass along knowledge of skeet shooting to a new generation.

"There's no need for any experience, either...You'll lose no 'cool points' if you've never shot before," he said.

"Old shooters love to teach young folks how to shoot. It's part of the culture and it's something all of us older-types get enjoyment doing."

He added that there is nothing like the feeling of breaking a target with a shotgun, and there's nothing like getting another shooter hooked on the sport.

One of those fairly new shooters was Howard.

"I've only shot skeet once before this event," said



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(From left to right) 1st Lt. Emad Abohaimed from Saudi Arabia, Col. Randall Mackey, Fort Gordon chief of staff, Lt. Col. Mike Shillinger, 551st Signal Battalion commander, Capt. Dan Wall, LCIT, and Maj. Doug Aydelot, 442nd Signal Battalion. All were participants in a skeet competition held as part of opening day events at the Tactical Advantage Sportsman's Complex on post.

Howard. "This was the first ever competition that I have ever shot in," adding that it won't be the last.

Howard said the competition was varied from avid shooters to novice shooters such as himself, and the advanced shooters were more than willing to share all of their tips and tricks, which is what allowed him to place as he did in the event.

"I would like to thank the staff of the sportsman complex for the professional way they carry out the task of teaching, coaching and mentoring all of those who share the love of the great outdoors and all it has to offer," said Howard.

But the biggest kudos of the day said Howard, has to go to Shillinger for sharing his knowledge with a first timer such as himself. "Without his expertise I never would have placed in the Post Commanders Cup Competition," said Howard.

He said the new facility is a diamond in the rough because not many have discovered it.

### Skeet results

#### First place team:

Sportsman's Club  
"Ringers"  
Team score: 211  
Kevin Baldwin  
Jeff Record  
Dick Goellen  
Jim Brasher  
Sandra Brasher

#### Second place team:

Army dental lab  
"Jawbreakers"  
Team score: 189  
Frank Mihm  
Chuck Taglarino  
Matthew Sudbrock  
David Carr  
Tom Regal

#### Third place team:

Sportsman's Club  
Blind Hogs  
Team score: 188  
Tom Woods  
Aaron Sears  
Howard Warlock  
Greg Coats  
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**185 ACRES** Burke County, Highway 23 at Boll Weevil Road, all cultivated, \$260,000. Shivers Real Estate, 706-833-9114 or 9115. www.GeorgiaLand.com

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**150 ACRES BURKE COUNTY** near Midville, 72 acres cultivated, remainder older woods, \$187,500. Shivers Real Estate, 706-833-9114 or 706-833-9115. www.GeorgiaLand.com

**144 ACRES WAYNESBORO** Woodlands Road just off Eastside Bypass, prime industrial/commercial site with investment potential, large office building and metal building, rail access, 25 acres concrete pavement. \$400,000. Shivers Real Estate, 706-833-9114 or 9115. www.GeorgiaLand.com

**133 ACRES JENKINS COUNTY** 45 acres old fields, remainder cutover woodland, wildlife plots, stream, great hunting tract, \$186,200. Shivers Real Estate, 706-833-9114 or 833-9115. www.GeorgiaLand.com

**109 ACRES NORTHEAST JENKINS COUNTY** 59 acres great Bermuda grass, 16 acres cultivated, 6 acres planted pines, beautiful tract, \$163,500. Shivers Real Estate, 706-833-9114 or 706-833-9115. www.GeorgiaLand.com

**BURKE COUNTY, LILY LANE** off Brown Mobley Road, one acre mobile home lot with well, septic and electricity. \$500 down, \$144.02 month. 706-592-2990, pager 667-3975.

**EIGHT ACRES** North Burke County, Springhill Estates, cutover woodland, \$23,000. Shivers Real Estate, 706-833-9114 or 9115. www.GeorgiaLand.com.

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**HIGHWAY 80 NEAR SHELL BLUFF STORE** 15 acres divided into eight lots. \$45,000. 706-798-0922.

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**MOBILE HOME LOTS** Two miles from Waynesboro. \$500 down, \$120 month payments. Owner financing. 706-210-0448.

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Members of the Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa's Explosive Ordnance Disposal team and the French Commandos fast rope onto the USS Denver during an exercise Aug. 13.

# Navy EOD, French Commandos tighten up their fast rope skills

Sgt. Wayne Campbell  
USS Denver Public Affairs Office

**ABOARD USS DENVER** - Members of the Combined Joint Task Force - Horn of Africa explosive ordnance disposal and French Commandos conducted a hostage recovery and ordnance disarmament exercise Aug. 20. CJTF-HOA EOD planned and conducted a joint, U.S. and coalition maritime interdiction operation exercise, in order to establish more robust boarding capabilities within CJTF-HOA, according to Navy Lt. Oscar Rojas, officer-in-charge, EOD.

The exercise simulated the ship being taken over by

terrorists, with the ships executive officer portraying the hostage with an explosive device attached to his body.

The joint forces were brought in by a CH-53E from Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron-461 and fast roped to the aft of the ship.

Once aboard the ship, the team slowly swept their way to the front of the ship taking down one terrorist on the way to the bridge of the Denver, where two terrorists were waiting for them.

After the French forces had taken the two terrorists into custody the EOD team was called in to disarm the bomb. The team slowly disconnected the bomb from the executive

officer and cleared him out of the bridge for his safety. They X-rayed the device to determine the contents of the explosive, and once determined they carefully threw the bomb overboard.

During the whole exercise, the CH-53 circled the ship and communicating any threats the team may come upon as well as carrying snipers to help clear the ship of any threats.

"EOD and the French Commandos successfully accomplished all planned training objectives safely," said Rojas.

"The lesson learned from the exercise will benefit both Teams in future missions. This type of exercise establishes a

baseline to allow coalition forces to execute future joint training," added Rojas.

The training possibilities here at CJTF-HOA are limitless. They were able to put this exercise together in three weeks, compared to if they were back in the United States, this same exercise would have taken several months to coordinate and execute, according to Rojas.

"We overcame language barriers and completed this high risk evolution due to the professionalism and motivation of all parties involved in the exercise," said Chief Petty Officer William Fancher, leading chief petty officer, EOD.



Members of the CJTF-HOA explosive ordnance disposal team and French Commandos patrol a walkway, looking for anything suspicious.

## Engineers help boost electric power in Iraq

**BAGHDAD, Iraq** - U.S. engineers have helped place seven generators on line this month in Iraq, bringing the national electricity capacity to more than 5,300 megawatts - a level that exceeds the country's pre-war capacity of 4,400 megawatts.

A 33-megawatt generator went up Aug. 30 at the Qudas Power Station north of Baghdad. It is producing enough electricity to service nearly 100,000 homes in central Iraq.

"This is very good news," said Raad Shalal, a senior Iraq Ministry of Electricity official. "This will help to reduce the shortage of electricity across the country."

### Power plant in northern Iraq back on line

Another generator that had fallen into disrepair after two decades of neglect and war was back on line Aug. 29 in northern Iraq, producing enough electricity to service 51,000 Iraqi homes.

The 17-megawatt generator at the Mullah Abdullah Power Station in the Tameem Governorate was the sixth generator that Iraqi and U.S. engineers had brought on line this month.

### 202 megawatts added this month

Iraq and U.S. engineers have significantly reduced the power shortage this month, adding 202 Megawatts to the national grid.

"We know how important electricity is to the safety and security of the Iraqi people, and we continue to work on their behalf with the ministry to bring the country additional electricity," said Lt. Col Jeffery Ogden, director of the Corps of Engineers Restore Iraqi Electricity Directorate.

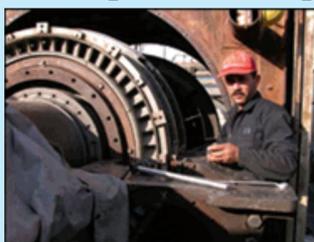


Photo by Bill Roberts

An Iraqi engineer works to repair a generator at the Mosul Power plant in Northern Iraq Aug. 10.

"We continue to work in partnership with the Ministry of Electricity and the Iraqi people to bring more electricity to the country," added Ogden.

### New jobs increase power demand

Despite the addition of power to the country's national grid, the demand for electricity in Iraq continues to grow, according to a fact sheet published by the Iraq Ministry of Electricity.

"With more than half a million new jobs created, new industries and new factories coming on line and with the sale of thousands of home appliances such as washing machines and air conditioners, Iraq has experienced a rapid increase in electricity demand," the fact sheet reads.

"The increase in demand is a good sign of a thriving economy emerging from three decades of isolation."

Since beginning its work in the country nearly a year ago, the Corps has added an additional 1,574 megawatts to the Iraqi national grid.

(Information provided by Mitch Frazier, Gulf Region Division Public Affairs, Corps of Engineers.)

## Electricians give LSA Anaconda jolt of electricity

Pfc. Leah R. Burton  
28th Public Affairs Detachment

**BALAD, Iraq** - Suited up in fire retardant flash suits, voltage-rated gloves and hearing and eye protection, the only prime power unit in the Army keeps the electrical current operational at Logistics Support Area Anaconda here. The 2nd Detachment, Company B, 249th Engineer Battalion (Prime Power) here assesses the high-voltage electricity needs for LSA Anaconda, and then they produce, supply and maintain that energy.

"The work of Prime Power entails supporting the Army in its warfighting and disaster relief and support of [the Department of Public Works] and base electrical operations," said Staff Sgt. Devon A. Mayers, a Prime Power supervisor.

Before Prime Power can run electricity through a facility, the Soldiers must know the facility's energy needs. This requires assessment of the number of air-conditioners, televisions, coffeepots, radios and like items. With this determination made, lines are run from a power plant to the secondary distribution center to a transformer, which breaks down the electrical current to the appropriate voltage.

From the transformer, the electrical current goes straight into the panel boxes of the designated facilities.

These electrical demands are met by two power plants on post, one run by Prime Power and another that is leased to International American Products, a contractor.

Some power outages are the result of faults in the line that cause interruptions in electrical flow, but people digging without an approved dig permit often cause faults.

"We do a lot of repairs because people go ahead and dig anyway. We have a 1,000-volt line buried, and a few people have hit it. Luckily, no one's been killed," said Thomas.

Prime Power approves and disapproves dig permits after inspecting the proposed site and making sure that the excavators won't stumble upon a high-voltage wire.

"It's customary for high-voltage wires to be buried three

to six feet deep. A lot of them here aren't as deep as they should be, so we go out with cable locators and determine where they are, how deep they are and how many volts they are," said Thomas.

Soldiers from Prime Power have installed more than 300 miles of high-voltage cable since April.

Prime Power helps keep the Soldiers of LSA Anaconda in as comfortable a lifestyle as possible in a combat zone.

"Without Prime Power, LSA Anaconda would probably be on generator power, which would cost a lot more money," Thomas said.

## Why 3/4 of Homesellers Don't Get the Price They Want for Their Home

**AUGUSTA** - A new report has just been released which reveals 7 costly mistakes that most homeowners make when selling their home, and a 9 Step System that can help you sell your home fast and for the most amount of money.

This industry report shows clearly how the traditional ways of selling homes have become increasingly less and less effective in today's market. The fact of the matter is that fully three quarters of homesellers don't get what they want for their home and become disillusioned and - worse - financially disadvantaged when they put their home on the market.

As this report uncovers, most homesellers make 7 deadly mistakes that cost them literally thousands of dollars. The good news is that each and every one of these mistakes is entirely preventable.

In answer to this issue, industry insiders have prepared a free special report entitled "The 9 Step System to Get Your Home Sold Fast and For Top Dollar".

**To hear a brief recorded message about how to order your free copy of this report, call 1-866-254-3718 and enter ID#1000. You can call anytime. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.**

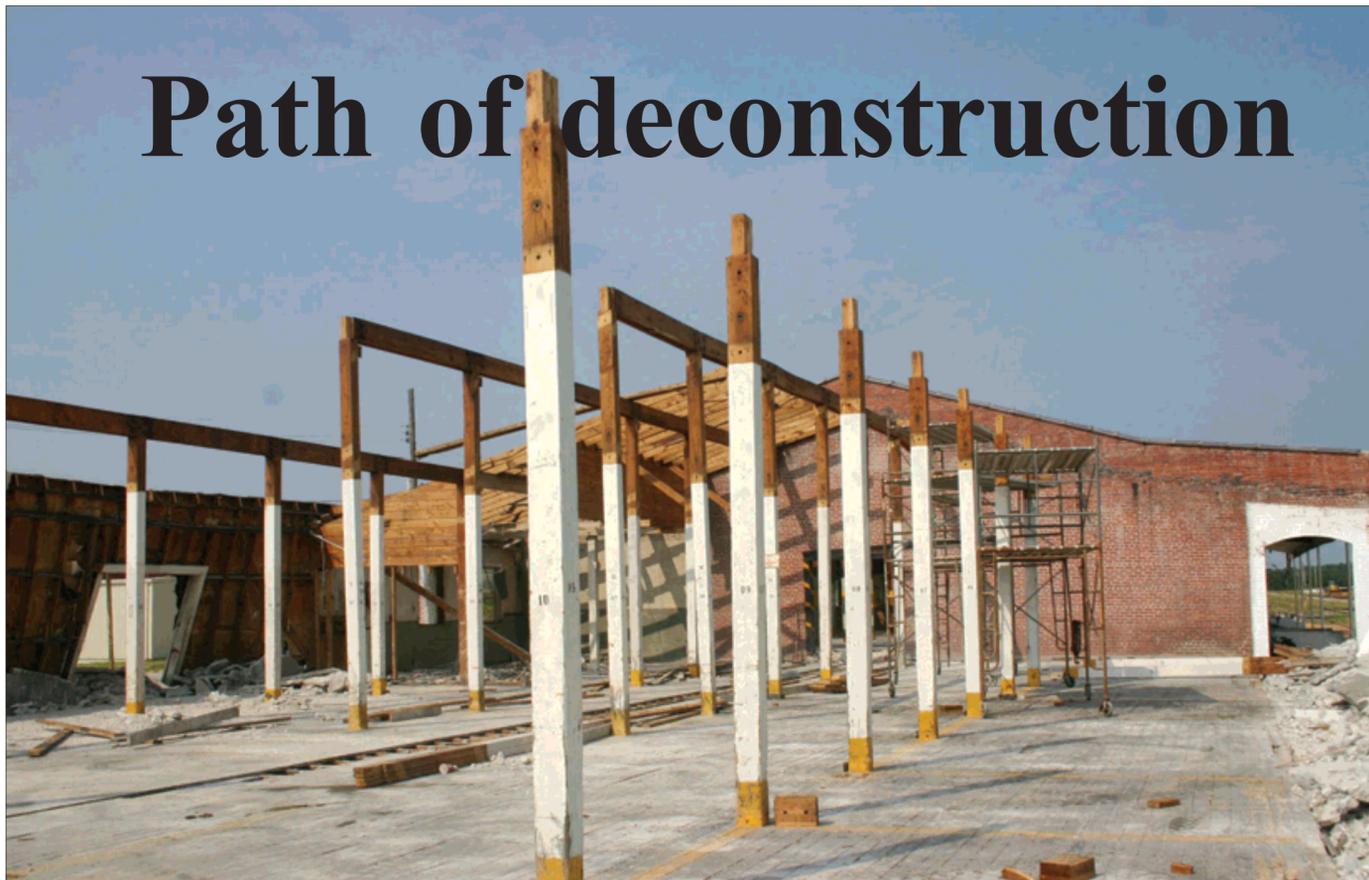
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## Path of deconstruction



Photos by Pfc. Armando Monroig

The remains of a nearly deconstructed building (above) after laborers removed wood and other recyclable materials, gives the appearance that a hurricane or tornado tore through the area. World War II-era buildings located on Fort Gordon's northwest corner are being disassembled and its parts recycled to reduce materials going to a landfill.

**Pfc. Armando Monroig**  
*Signal staff*

Deconstruction - an experiment that began here in July - is now in full swing.

Deconstruction is the process of taking apart old structures, in this case the World War II-era buildings located on the northwest corner of post, and recycling whatever materials possible.

The buildings were auctioned off to individuals and they are responsible for taking apart the structure they bid on and removing the materials to be recycled. What is done with the material is up to them.

Uriah Morris of Augusta, whose father David Morris, bought one of the bays for deconstruction, said his father was planning on making good use of the materials.

"We're building a barn," said Morris who was at the site with a crew of laborers deconstructing the building. He added that some of the materials will be used to build sheds and for trim work in a house.

Robert Brege, a laborer for one of the other bidders, said some of the materials he is removing from the deconstruction site, such as siding, will be used for remodeling of a house.

Funds derived from the deconstruction project went towards Fort Gordon's recycling program.

Non-recyclable materials will be used to fill land in areas on post as opposed to being sent to an outside landfill, said Steve Willard, director of Fort Gordon's Environmental and Natural Resource Management Office.

This is the last phase of the deconstruction process that included clearing the structures of hazardous materials, training on the deconstructions process, and auctioning the buildings to be deconstructed.

Basically, the deconstruction all gets done by manual labor. Crews of laborers hired by the bidders who purchased the buildings are in the structures taking anything and everything that can be reused, recycled and not thrown away.

Planks of wood, nails and wire conduits are just some of the materials laborers were recycling from the deconstruction.

Willard said a bobcat was brought in for the removal of the floor cement that covered

wood flooring. The wood still appeared to be in good condition and definitely can be reused, he said.

The materials to be recycled are weighed so that an accurate account can be kept.

Bidders sign a contract stating they will pay the amount they bid on the building and put down a \$500 deposit agreeing to take away a certain percentage of the building's weight.

If the bidders do not make the effort to meet that percentage by the deadline (mid September) they forfeit the deposit.

Deducted from the building's weight is material such as bricks and concrete blocks, said Willard, materials that will be used as a fill material.

"I think it's gone real well," Willard said of the deconstruction process.

An end-process-review was held with the bidders and their laborers to get an assessment of how they felt the process went - the pros and the cons of it all, said Willard.

Willard said since it seems the deconstruction process has gone well, they are considering doing more deconstruction on post, especially for the remainder of the World War II-era building.

Vincent Grewatz, director of public works and logistics, said it was still a little too early to tell, but it does appear that the process was a success.

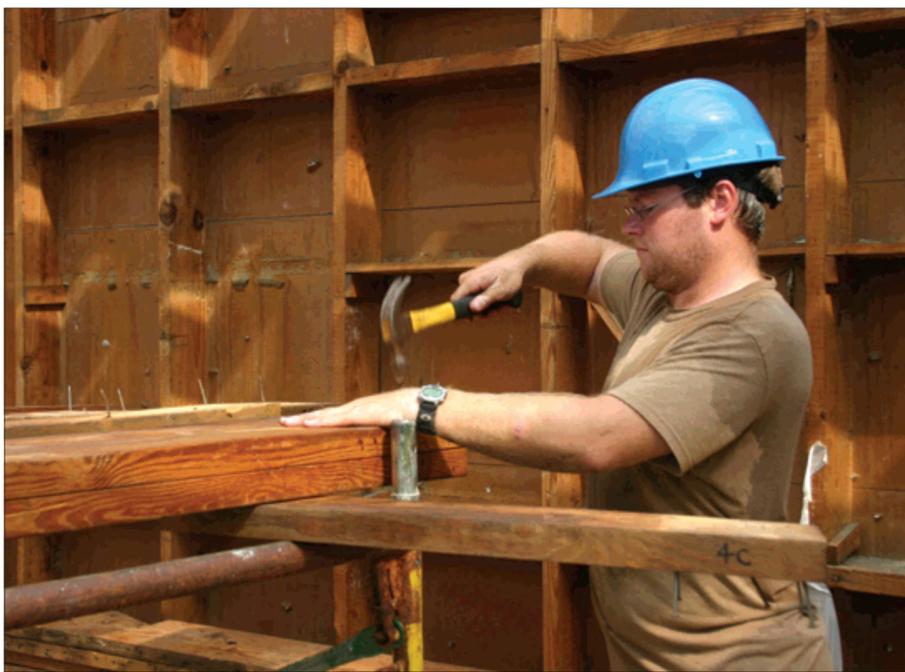
"That's what I fully expect the experiment to show," Grewatz said of the process, being compared to demolition. "We are in the process of data collection."

He said they are about half-way through what they had contracted for deconstruction and added that there are two more auctions planned for later this year.

Grewatz added that there is a tremendous advantage doing deconstruction as opposed to demolition, because it reduces demolition cost and diverts the cost of having to throw materials in a landfill.

"That alone is a success," said Grewatz, adding that the life of a landfill is also extended. "We win on a lot of different levels."

The most important thing to come out of the deconstruction is what the Army is going to learn from this, said Grewatz, adding that it is a learning experience for the contractors as well.



Cameron Carson, a laborer at the deconstruction site, removes nails from pieces of wood to be reused.



Robert Brege, laborer, pulls off a wall panel.



Steve Willard, director of Fort Gordon's Environmental and Natural Resource Management Office, looks at an area of wooden floor boards that have been removed.