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The servicemembers who went on the Blair Witch trip gather together for a photo upon arriving in Burkittsville.

BOSS program visits Burkittsville

BY SPC. MICHAEL CAVES
Better Opportunity for Single Soldiers

Twelve of Fort Meade's servicemembers visited one of the spookiest locations in the state of Maryland during the Better Opportunities for Single Servicemembers Blair Witch Camping trip Oct. 27 & 28 in Burkittsville.

Despite numerous obstacles and challenges, the BOSS program was able to provide safe, affordable entertainment for single servicemembers with a sense of adventure.

After a relatively short ride from Fort Meade the servicemembers arrived at Burkittsville. Immediately after finding the campgrounds, they worked quickly to set up tents and build a fire to fight off the biting cold. Once supplies were unloaded and tents were pitched, everyone gathered around the fire to roast hotdogs and marshmallows and to warm up. Although the servicemembers were encouraged to bring snacks for themselves, BOSS

provided more than enough food and beverages for everyone. Although many soldiers lacked the skill necessary to keep a hot dog on a stick, most service members got a warm meal.

Shortly following dinner, campers departed for a guided tour and hike through Burkittsville. The tour consisted of a van drive through the small town with a guide who discussed the important historical background of Burkittsville. Campers learned that this tiny town of 200 people was named after Henry Burkett, a resident who surveyed the land in 1829. The driving tour ended at a civil war monument near the Appalachian Trail. There, the BOSS campers learned the significance of Burkittsville, where the precursor to the Battle of Antietam began in 1862.

After a short safety brief by the guide, campers were led up an incline through thick brush to start the hike through the Black Hills. During this hike, the guide highlighted areas of significance and discussed the various myths and facts of the Black

Hills, an area believed to have been used by Native Americans as burial grounds. Campers walked through areas where ghosts and evil spirits were rumored to dwell. The guide told of people disappearing in the woods, only to be found weeks later, ritually disemboweled. It was difficult to discern fact from fiction, but in the spirit of Halloween, campers listened intently as the guide led them deeper into the dense forest. Some campers did hear strange noises, but no one spotted the Blair Witch.

Upon completion of the hike, campers were led to a fire where hot chocolate and snacks were waiting. Around a warm campfire, soldiers, airmen, civilians and ex-military exchanged stories of near death and the supernatural. After an exciting and sometimes frightening day, most of our servicemembers were ready for rest. One by one, campers retired to their tents to brave the cold fall weather.

For more information on the Fort Meade BOSS Program, contact your unit BOSS representative.

Education Update

BY DEBRA T. DAY
BRIGADE EDUCATION COUNSELOR

Army educators joined educators from across the country to celebrate American Education Week (AEW). The Army again refocused on strengthening their resolve to educate America's soldier students to meet the challenges of leadership today and tomorrow Nov. 11 - 17.

This year's theme was "An Army of One, an Educational Opportunity for Every Soldier," which underscored the philosophy that started AEW. Representatives of the National Education Association and the American Legion met for the first time in 1919 to discuss the distressing fact that 25 percent of the country's World War I draftees were illiterate and nine percent were physically unfit. As a result of this meeting to seek ways to generate public support for education the Army's soldiers are the knowledge-and capabilities-based force they are today.

The Army Continuing Education System (ACES) offers a variety of programs to assist soldiers in obtaining their college degree, certification, license, or GED. These programs take into consideration soldiers' busy career and their personal time whether leisure or with family. No longer tied to the traditional classroom type of education. Soldiers can now earn their degree through a variety of distance learning programs from a wide range of institutions throughout the country.

Interested soldiers can stop by the Fort Meade Education Services Division, 8601 Zimborski Ave. to hear about pending legislation to improve MGIB and Army Tuition Assistance benefits. Soldiers may also visit the education center for spring registration bulletins for the colleges represented on Fort Meade: Anne Arundel Community College for 2 year degree programs, University of Maryland University College for 4 year programs, and Bowie State and Central Michigan Universities for graduate programs.

Career Counselor honored

BY SGT. 1ST CLASS WILLENE ORR
Brigade Reenlistment

It is official!! Congratulations are extended to Staff Sgt. Shelly R. Pringle, career counselor, 743rd Military Intelligence Battalion. She was recently selected as the 704th Military Intelligence Brigade Career Counselor of the Year for Fiscal Year 2001.

The board was comprised of a president and three panel members. The president was Command Sgt. Maj. Randy D. Wilson, brigade sergeant major, 704th Military Intelligence Brigade. The panel members were the Command Sergeants Major of the respective battalions under the brigade. A special note of thanks is extended to each of them for making our first Career Counselor of the Year Board a success.

Additionally, Staff Sergeant Veronica A. Ingle, 741st Military Intelligence Battalion Career Counselor, and Staff Sergeant Cynthia Kling, 742nd Military Intelligence Battalion Career Counselor, appeared before the board as well. It is not to be taken lightly that all the counselors are winners in their own right and represented their commands quite admirably. Nonetheless, only one could be selected as the most outstanding Career Counselor for valiant achievements in support of the Army's Retention Program and their Command's Retention Program. The counselors had to be well versed on Active Component Retention, Reserve Component Retention Program, and Current Events. They also had to demonstrate outstanding personal qualities and be in compliance with height and weight standards of Army Regulation 600-9.

After all the points were tallied, Pringle was the best as determined by the panel members of the board. The Command Retention Team is confident that Pringle represented the brigade well at the next level of competition Nov. 7 at Intelligence and Security Command, Fort Belvoir, Va. As stated by Lt. Col. Mark Quantock, battalion commander, 743rd Military Intelligence Battalion, "Staff Sergeant Pringle performs exceptionally well — always ensuring that high priority missions are accomplished immediately and to standard. Moreover, her distin-



Staff Sgt. Shelly Pringle was recently selected as the 704th MI Brigade's Career Counselor of the Year.

guished performance of duty, excellent retention prowess, and personal acumen have gained her the respect of both her peers and superiors, and more importantly, the confidence of the soldiers for whom she serves. Staff Sergeant Pringle is simply the best of the best. She will represent this battalion and our brigade exceptionally well in every level of competition."

Pringle is a native of Iowa and enlisted in the U. S. Army as an electronic warfare signals intelligence analyst in 98C; but now serves as the battalion career counselor in 79S. She is extremely knowledgeable in both the military intelligence field and all the aspects of the Army Retention Program. With the assistance of 743rd Command's Retention Team, Pringle ensures the battalion's Retention Program remains proactive and is in accordance with Army Regulation 601-280. Keep up the great work sergeant!

Special thanks to all for "Keeping Our Soldiers in BOOTZ!"

The 704th Military Intelligence Brigade's Annual Holiday Ball is scheduled for Dec. 14 at the BWI Airport Marriott in Baltimore. See your unit representatives for details.



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704th MI Brigade Mission

The 704th Military Intelligence Brigade conducts continuous full-spectrum signals intelligence, computer network and information security operations directly, and through NSA to satisfy National, Joint, Combined and Army information superiority requirements.

Focus

To ensure mission accomplishment in an ethical environment while providing opportunities for individual professional growth and satisfaction, we must have:
 -Competent and caring leaders,
 -Well trained and fit soldiers,
 -Efficient, effective unit operations,
 -Unit cohesion and pride,
 -Planned, orderly growth and change.

Soldiers enjoy the "Great Outdoors"

BY SGT BRADY MANTEUFEL
743rd Military Intelligence Battalion

If you are an outdoor adventurer, a big game hunter, love fishing or just love to go sightseeing, the 743rd Military Intelligence Battalion is the place to be. Most soldiers stationed here will agree that there are plenty of opportunities to enjoy outdoor sports, which is why most soldiers reenlist for station stabilization. I am Sgt. Brady Manteufel, of Headquarters and Operations Company, 743rd MI Battalion and truly enjoy the great outdoors—especially while being stationed in Colorado!

The first thing you need to do when arriving here is to obtain maps and books on Colorado campsites and national forests. Ask other soldiers who have been here a while about the area. Also, check with the National Forest Service and area sporting goods stores. I have had the opportunity to camp south of Colorado Springs and even northwest of Fort Collins. The scenery is absolutely unreal.

Plan a drive down the Royal Gorge in Canon City. There you can walk across the highest suspension bridge in the world and view the Arkansas River from above. I happened to be on the bridge on a windy day. As I stepped on the end, I watched the other end of the bridge come waving towards me. There are gondola rides across the river and an incline railway down to the bottom of the gorge. These are just two adventures to experience while visiting the bridge. Remember to bring your camera with lots of film. There are many opportunities to take many shots of the most amazing scenery. There are also guided rafting trips available at reasonable prices.

Take a trip up to the Rocky Mountain National Park in the fall. Drive up Fall River Road and Trail Ridge Road and watch a bull elk bugling or see a heard of big horn sheep carefully placing their steps across the cliffs. I love going to the park to find a young bull to use my bull bugle on, or to call a cow. With wild animals, I have to use extreme caution. If I get too close, I could be getting myself into a very dangerous situation. Many tourists walk within 40 yards of a 10-point bull. A chance I would never take, especially during mating season. The only exception is when I am hunting of course.

Hunting in Colorado isn't that easy. There is a big difference between the tame elk in the park and wild elk throughout the state. The elk in the park know



courtesy photos

Sgt. Brady Manteufel and many others from the 743rd Military Intelligence Battalion spend their free time outdoors.

they are protected and will allow you get all the pictures you want. Wild elk will run at the slightest sense of danger or suspicion. If you don't see any animals throughout the park, that is fine, because you will see numerous waterfalls, rockslide areas, and areas that were previously flooded, which have moved giant boulders from one place to another. Wild flowers and plants are also abundant throughout the area.

There are many pack trails throughout Rocky Mountain National Park. They will give you a run for your money, being that the elevation is from 8000 to 12000 feet above sea level. I usually ride my All-Terrain Vehicle up the off road trails, park it, then walk a good 200-500 yards to my hunting stand. Believe me, it is quite a work out as I hike over fallen trees, and large rocks. There is quite a difference between walking at an elevation of 9,500 feet and running during physical fitness training at an elevation of 5,280 feet, but I'm sure I am getting the same workout.

Colorado also offers excellent fishing opportunities for trout. You can test your luck with a fly rod in the Big Thompson River flowing from Estes Park, or head

out to the Platte River and try for a larger trophy. If you prefer the spin caster and not the fly rod, there are numerous campsites at peaceful mountain lakes where you can try tossing a mepps spinner or little cleo lure for a nice rainbow trout. If that fails, night crawlers and power bait are usually a sure bet to reel on in. If you have never fished before, this is a great place to begin.

One experience I had in early May. A friend of mine from work and I headed up to Bellaire Lake northwest of Fort Collins on a Friday morning. We began fishing and caught approximately 30 fish by the end of the day. We stayed until Sunday morning and when the camping trip was over, we had reeled in over 90 fish through the weekend. The possession limit is eight per person. So, we chose our fish wisely and practiced catch and release thereafter. I used eighteen worms in 45 minutes (cutting some in half). I felt the fish trying to break free from my line before the hook hit the bottom of the lake. That was the most fish I had caught in a long time.

That weekend I also had the opportunity to witness a cow moose come down to the water's edge to get a drink. As soon as she saw some of the fishermen around, she decided to move on. This was a wonderful opportunity for me and would interest anyone who loves the great outdoors, whether a nature lover for years, or if heading out for the first time.

If you are interested in big game hunting, this is the place for it. I had the privilege last fall to get a young buck mule deer with a rifle in the Roosevelt National Forest. I spotted an elk, but wasn't very successful at getting it. Later on, in the middle of the night, I heard the most amazing sound of a bull elk echoing through the mountains.

I have been with HOC 743rd MI Battalion since last February, and have thoroughly enjoyed my time here. I work on a crew schedule and always find the time to enjoy myself in the Colorado great outdoors. On June 13, I reenlisted for 6 years and the school option (stabilization). This reenlistment will ensure that I fulfill both of my goals. One obtaining my civilian education and second to continue training to become a game warden.



Another hobby for many 743rd Military Intelligence Battalion soldiers is fishing.

Patriotism should be more than a fad

COMMENTARY BY SPC. BRIAN MURPHY
Editor, *The Voice*

Nothing good can come from the terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington DC. Not when some of the most symbolic buildings on the east coast, and our great nation, have to offer are demolished. Not when as many as 6,000 people died. There just isn't a bright side.

But it is acceptable for America to learn from its mistakes. And thankfully, I believe in my heart that Americans have learned. Attendance in church is up. Keeping in touch with your loved ones has become socially acceptable. Candlelight vigils have taken place around the world.

In the eight days following the terrorist attacks, the Salvation Army collected \$20 million. The United Way of America received \$43 million from corporate donors alone. The American Red Cross gathered \$129 million in donations and pledges — the most the organization has ever amassed after a natural or man-made disaster, according to spokeswoman Devorah Goldburg.

Wal-Mart sold a quarter of a million American flags within the first four days of the attacks. Instead of seeing some guy giving you the finger while cutting you off on one of the local highways, you're probably going to see a driver with a smiling face and an American flag on the antenna of his car cutting you off. Either way you look at it — it's progress.

Michael Jackson and many others in the music world have talked about doing a song similar to "We are the World" in hopes of raising \$50 million. Those same individuals are currently performing around the country as part of a "United We Stand" concert to raise even more money. Madonna donated her entire earnings from her last show in California to help those children who are now parent-less.

Even professional sports, where greed and contract bonuses for the most part have been the priority for the last decade, have seemingly changed.

In baseball, they weren't singing "Take me out to the Ballgame" during the seventh inning stretch in the weeks following the attacks. They were singing "God



cartoon by Mike Bochenek

Bless America." Every Major League Baseball team (to include those in Canada) played the remainder of the season with American flags sown on the backs of their jerseys. Even though there are 31 teams in the big leagues, they wanted the nation, and more importantly, the world to know that they're all playing for the same team — the USA.

In football, the San Francisco 49ers didn't feel much like practicing two days after the terrorist attacks. So the entire team went to the Red Cross and donated a total of 70 pints of blood. Locally, the Washington Redskins visited the Pentagon and local hospitals where victims were receiving treatment, to do what they could to help.

The Washington Capitals invited all firefighters, police officers and servicemembers to their first pre-season game of the season free of charge. It was their way of saying "Thank you for all you have done."

This travesty has brought our nation together. But for how long? How much longer will it be cool to be patriotic? Is this a fad? Is this a phase? Will people still feel this way in a month? Six months? A year?

I, for one, hope so. It is nice to see everyone on the same page. Before these terrorists brought us together, it seemed that we only cared about showing love for each other and the nation on Independence Day and during the Olympics.

We should have more pride than that. People should care more than a day or two out of the year. This is my plea to you, the reader. Continue to show some love for your neighbors. If you see someone with his hands full, offer to help to help carry the load. Be more patient with others. Be more loving and thankful for life's little pleasures. Value what you have — you don't know when someone could take it away.

Army 10-miler canceled

Because of security concerns, the Army 10-miler was cancelled. According to a statement released from the event coordinators, the runners' safety was the chief concern.

While a specific threat to Washington, DC has not been identified, the United States is at an increased state of war and the security of our runners, volunteers, and spectators is our primary concern. At this time, there are no plans to reschedule the 2001 Army Ten-Miler, the statement said.

We hope all our runners will understand our support of Operation Enduring Freedom, our heightened awareness of the current situation, and our concern for the security of everyone associated with the race. This move also allows the U.S. Army Military District of Washington to concentrate its soldiers and resources on supporting Operation Enduring Freedom," the statement said.

All events associated with the Army 10-Miler were cancelled including the Race Expo, Pasta Dinner, Junior Ten-Miler, and the AUSA annual meeting.

More than 18,000 runners, including Sgt. 1st Class Willene Orr of the 704th Military Intelligence Brigade, were to participate in this year's event.



photo by Spc. Brian Murphy



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With big plays like this from Rich Davis, the Army-Air Force team had little trouble jumping out to an early 14-0 lead against the Sea Team during the Toilet Bowl.

DINFOS instructors plunge into Toilet Bowl

BY SPC. BRIAN MURPHY
Editor, The Voice

There are few games with as much meaning. There's the Super Bowl, the Rose Bowl and then there's the Toilet Bowl.

The Land Team defeated the Sea Team 40-22 to win bragging rights for a year during the Defense Information School's 22nd-annual Toilet Bowl at Mullins Field Oct. 27.

Using three early interceptions, the

Land Team (which consisted of Army and Air Force instructors from the school) jumped out to a 14-0 lead just before halftime.

Each of the turnovers seemed to increase the confidence of the Land Team, while at the same time put doubt in the minds of the Sea Team (made up of Navy, Coast Guard and Marine personnel).

The Sea Team was never able to make up the early deficit, which proved to be the difference.



The 22nd annual Toilet Bowl was about more than just a football game.



The Army-Air Force defensive front forced three interceptions in the first half.

Training Day: 704th makes the grade



photos by Spc. Brian Murphy

Pvt. 2 Charles LaFever, from Receiving and Holding Platoon, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 704th Military Intelligence Brigade shoots an azimuth.

BY SPC. BRIAN MURPHY
Editor, The Voice

Common Task Training. Uttering the phrase to a soldier used to send an automatic image of field tables, butcher blocks and lots of camouflage netting. Until recently, that remained the case.

Now, however, the soldiers of the 704th Military Intelligence Brigade have a new way to do business. Instead of walking up to each static station, completing the task and moving on to the next station, soldiers were faced with a slightly more difficult challenge.

iThis was much better than the old way to do CTT. Instead of walking to stations and doing each task, you do everything in a scenario.i

- Spc. Franklin Pipes
HHC, 704th MI Brigade

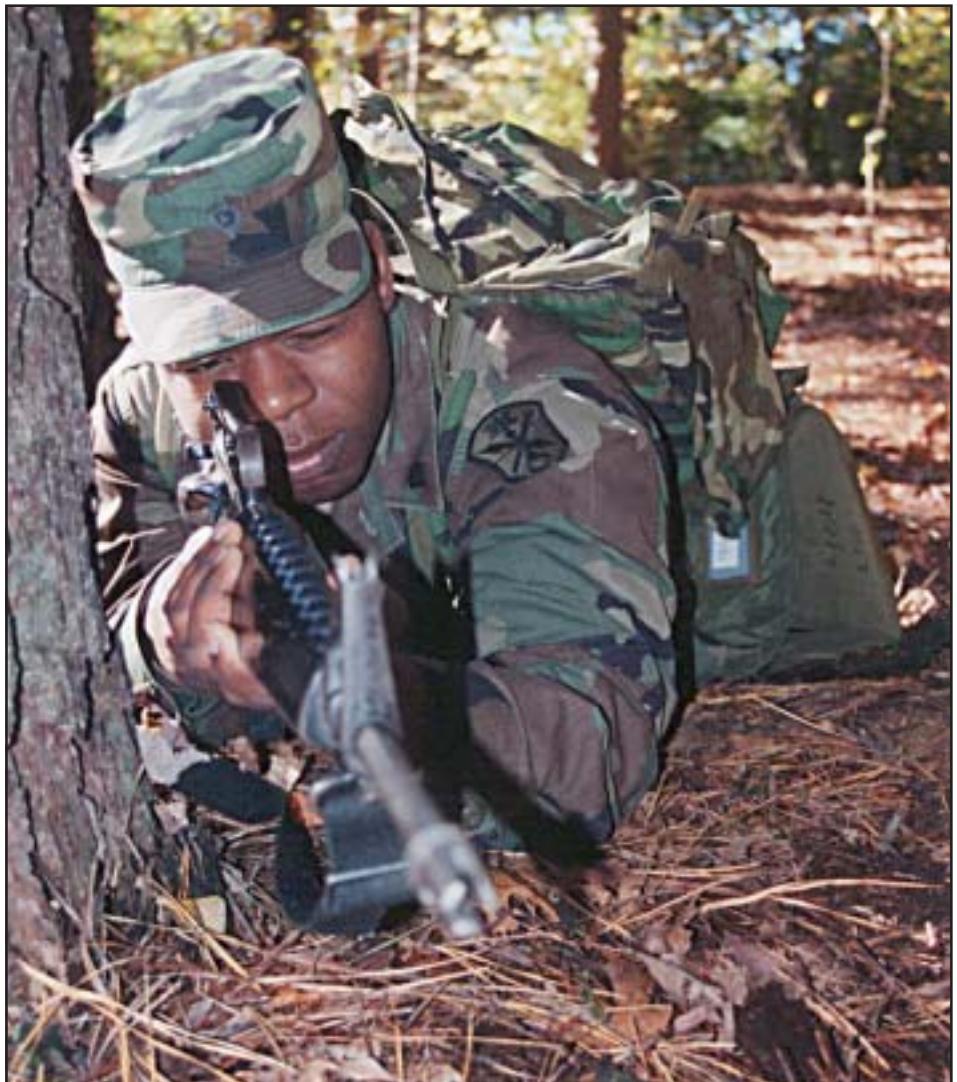
For the testing portion of the training the soldiers were grouped together in squads and given a scenario. Once the soldiers had the scenario it was time to move out. As the squads moved tactically throughout the woodland, the graders

would throw random challenges at them.

During recent CTT testing, while the squad moved along looking for their objective, the grader yelled out iGas!i All of the soldiers would then have to put their protective masks on in the allotted time. The squad would then continue on with their mission while still wearing the proper gear.

iThis was much better than the old way to do CTT, said Spc. Franklin Pipes, of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 704th MI Brigade. iInstead of walking to stations and doing each task, you do everything in a scenario.

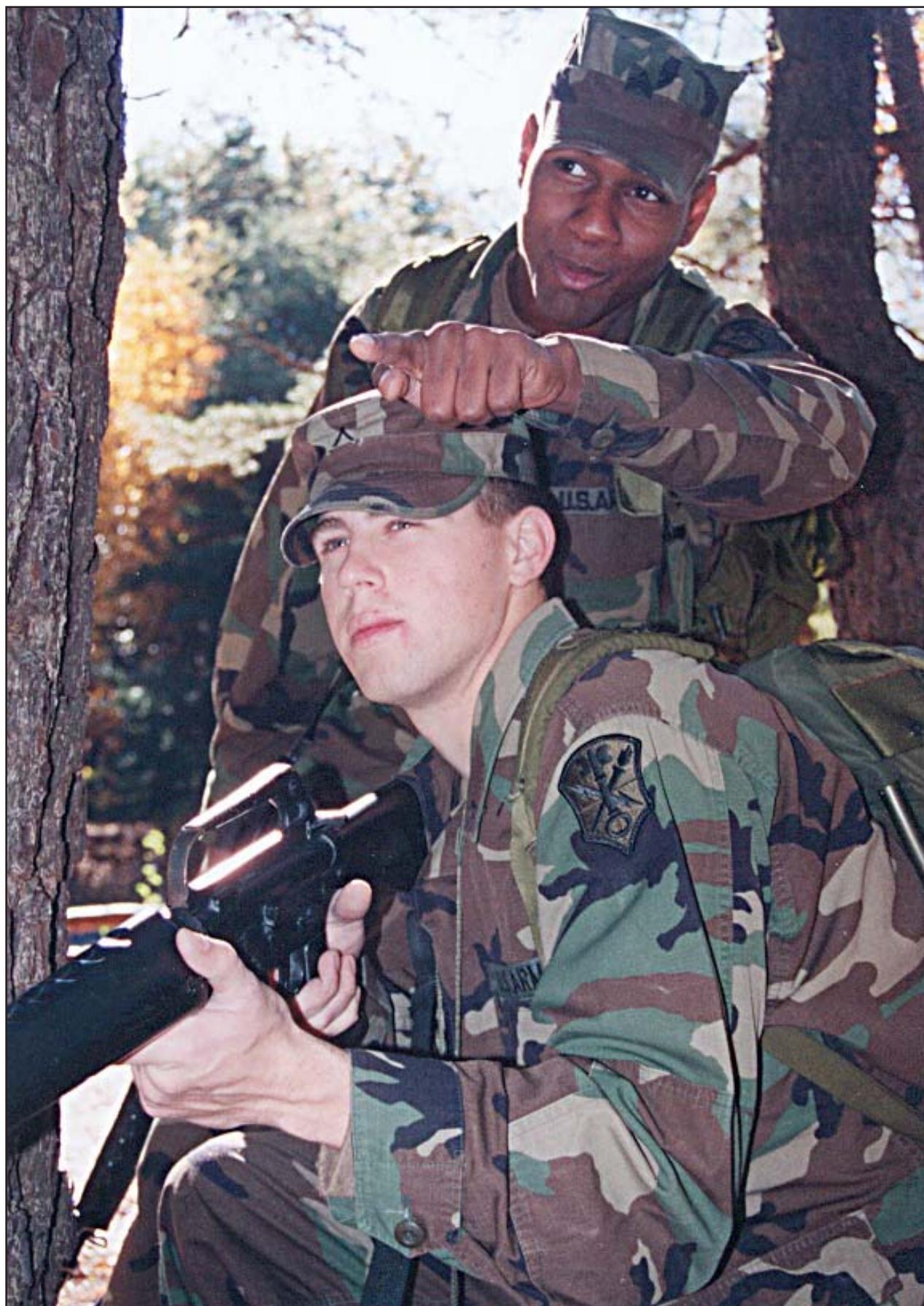
iIt's one thing to walk to a station, do the task and move on, but it's a whole different deal when you are thrown into a scenario and have to react. Plus all of us were in a squad, meaning we all had to work together and rely on each other.



Spc. Clint Philip supplies suppressive fire while members of his group move.



Soldiers from HHC, 704th MI Brigade don their protective masks during Common Task Training testing.



Sgt. Charles Walker gives orders to Pvt. 2 Charles LaFever during the scenario portion of Common Task Training.

CTT Tasks

Listed below are the tasks soldiers had to successfully complete to receive a go for the Common Task Training. The tasks are broken down into different skill levels. For example, soldiers between the ranks of private and specialist must complete all Skill Level One tasks, sergeants must complete Skill Level Two, etc.

Skill Level One

Decontaminate yourself and individual equipment using chemical decontamination kits

Protect yourself from nuclear, biological and chemical injury/contamination with the appropriate gear

Respond to depleted uranium

React to chemical or biological hazard or attack

Protect yourself from chemical and biological injury/contamination using your assigned protective mask

Maintain your assigned protective mask
Maintain an M16A2 rifle

React to direct and indirect fire

Navigate from one point on the ground to another point while dismounted

Operate an M16A2 rifle

Perform first aid to prevent or control shock

Communicate via tactical radio

Skill Level Two

Identify chemical agents using M256 series chemical agent detector kits

Issue an oral operation order

Skill Level Three

Submit NBC 1 report

Conduct risk assessment

Skill Level Four

Conduct a defense by a platoon

Employ the risk management process during mission planning



Around the Army

New medal to be civilian Purple Heart

WASHINGTON (Army News Service) - A new Defense of Freedom medal will honor DoD civilian employees injured or killed in the line of duty.

Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld unveiled the new medal Sept. 27 at a press conference. He said the medal will be the civilian equivalent of the military's Purple Heart. Its first recipients will be DoD civilians injured or killed in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks against the Pentagon and World Trade Center, Rumsfeld said.

"The president, of course, has made clear that the attacks were not just acts of terror," Rumsfeld said. "They were acts of war, military strikes against the United States of America. As such, those Department of Defense employees who were injured or killed ... were combat casualties."

The first presentations of the new medal may take place next month, according to Charles Abell, assistant secretary of Defense for Force Management Policy. He said the medal may also be awarded to Defense contractors, on a case-by-case basis, depending upon their involvement in DoD activities.

Since criteria for the Defense of Freedom medal parallels the Purple Heart, it will be awarded to civilians who suffer serious injuries, Abell said, *not* a scratch, not a bump on the head.

Request for the medal can be submitted by anyone aware of the action, officials said, not just by those in an employee's chain of command.

The medal was designed by artists at the Institute of Heraldry, an Army organization at Fort Belvoir, Va., responsible for military insignia.

"The designs were accomplished in just a couple of days," said Stan Haas, chief of the Institute's technical and production division. He said the request for the medal came in Sept. 14 and artists Sarah LeClerc and Costella Alford worked hard to produce a number of designs.

The obverse side of the medal, designed by LeClerc,



consists of a golden circle framing a bald eagle holding a shield. It exemplifies the principles of freedom and the defense of those freedoms upon which the nation is founded, officials said.

The reverse of the medal, designed by Alford, is inscribed with "On Behalf of a Grateful Nation" with a space for the recipient's name to be inscribed. A laurel wreath represents honor and high achievement, officials said.

A ribbon above the medal is red, white and blue. The red stripes commemorate valor and sacrifice, officials said. The wide blue stripe represents strength. The white stripes symbolize liberty, officials said. They added that

the number of red stripes represents the four terrorist attacks using hijacked airplanes and the single blue stripe represents the terrorist strike on the Pentagon.

"These strikes were the first on American soil since the Second World War, and the first attack on our capital by a foreign enemy since the War of 1812," Rumsfeld said when he announced the new award.

"These assaults have brought the battlefield home to us. A large number of DoD civilians gave their lives in combat. Their sacrifice also requires recognition."

"The establishment of this decoration is a fitting honor and a tribute to the extraordinary dedication and service of the department's civilian workforce," Rumsfeld said.

Army captures Armed Forces soccer crown

SEATTLE (Army News Service) ó The Army team members knew they had won Oct. 5 after beating the Marine Corps 3-2 and watching Navy and second-place Air Force battle to a 2-2 tie, even though the tournament ran through Oct. 6 at Naval Station Everett, Wash.

With a five-point lead going into the final day, there was no chance for the other three teams to gain enough ground to overtake Army.

The final standings showed Army with 16 total points followed by Air Force with 8, Navy 5, and the Marine Corps 4. The results handed the Army team the 2001 Armed Forces men's soccer crown, officially dethroning the Air Force squad who had won the tournament the two previous years.

"Physically we were ready and I think because of that we were able to outlast the other teams on the field," said Army defender Spc. Charles BonDurant from Manneheim, Germany. "The other three teams were tough, though, and refused to quit."

The second half of the tournament began Oct. 5 when the Marine Corps faced the Air Force. Staff Sgt. Kevin Edwards of Ramstein Air Force Base, Germany, the Air Force forward, scored first midway through the first half, giving his team a 1-0 lead. That is the way the score remained until with three minutes left in the game, the Marine's Pfc. Dawodu Ibidayo

of Okinawa, Japan, tied the game with an acrobatic bicycle shot. The game ended in a 1-1 tie.

Game two paired up Army and Navy whose first game to kick off the tournament ended in a 2-2 tie, but Army was determined not to let that happen again. With just under 23 minutes left in the first half, Army drew first blood on a goal by midfielder 1st Lt. Joseph Bailey from Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

In the second half, Army took control, keeping the ball on its own side of the field for most of the game. With 18:30 minutes left, Army padded its lead when Spc. Victor Markovich of Korea placed a nice setup shot in front of the goal and teammate 1st Lt. John Krueger blasted it into the net for the score.

"I was surprised at the level of some of the players. They are some very good players," said Navy defender Seaman Apprentice Brandon Bleakley of San Diego, Calif.

On Oct. 5, Army squared off against the Marines, and continued its scoring ways with a goal early in the first half, followed by another later in the first period.

But the Marines regained their composure in the second half scoring two goals of their own, making the score 2-2. With 16 minutes left in the game, Army's 1st Lt. John Krueger's goal delivered what proved to be the decisive blow for the 3-2 victory. Krueger is from the Nevada National Guard.

Air Force faced Navy in game two on Oct. 5. The two teams battled to a 2-2 tie, but neither was able to take the lead and the game ended in a tie.

The result garnered just one point in the standings for each team, which put the Army up five points over second place Air Force.

With only one game remaining for each team on Saturday, and three possible points up for grabs, the Army was unofficially the tournament winner as players drenched Army coach Staff Sgt. Agustin Menndez from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, with Gatorade.

Army and Air Force played the second game in a match dominated by Army who increased their standing lead another three points following the 5-0 win.

1st Lt. Adam Florkowski from Fort Polk, La., and Spc. Victor Markovich from Korea scored two goals apiece, and teammate Spc. Orlando Suazovivas from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, scored one.

"We have a lot of guys that have been together for a while and know each other very well," said Army coach Menndez.

"Out of the 18-man roster, 14 have been together for the past three years. We're like a family. Tournament wise, everything was perfect," he said.

Following the final game an awards ceremony took place and top players from all four teams were selected to the Armed Forces team.

Around the Army

Web site lets soldiers ASK for assignments

WASHINGTON (Army News Service) - A new Web-based program now gives enlisted soldiers a say in choosing their next duty assignment.

The Assignment Satisfaction Key, or ASK, Internet tool will provide soldiers, for the first time, the capability to post assignment preference information directly onto the Total Army Personnel Database. ASK went active Oct. 12 at <http://www.perscom.army.mil>.

Assignment preferences are no longer iDream Sheetsî as they used to be called, said Col. Jeffrey Redmann, deputy director of Enlisted Personnel Management. Under the old system, soldiers could choose from 230 continental United States locations and 280 overseas locations, he said.

iIn reality, soldiers had little chance of being assigned to many of these locations,î Redmann said.

ASK will require soldiers to select three CONUS locations and three other preferences outside of the continental United States.

Preference locations mean that if a soldier has to rotate or do a special duty like drill sergeant or recruiter, this is the place or the duty he would prefer, said Master Sgt. Thomas Gills, a branch manager at Total Army Personnel Command. The first two preference choices will be from the Army's 10 divisions, because that's where soldiers are needed most, Gills said. The other choice will be from an expanded listing which includes the divisional installations plus other CONUS installations.

Soldiers may also select three CONUS and three OCONUS volunteer locations. Gills said volunteer locations mean that if a soldier were to move now, this is where he would want to go.

iBy providing soldiers with realistic location options, we should be able to match Army readiness requirements with the soldier's preferences ... which will be

a win for both the Army and the soldier,î Redmann said. iSoldiers are contributing to the overall decision process and their vote will count.î

Soldiers who don't submit preferences will be sent to duty stations based on the needs of the Army, Gills said. Soldiers also have to understand that they will not always be put in a position because they want to go there and it's open, Gills said.

iThere's a saying that what's best for you is not always going to be the most comfortable for you,î Gills said. iWhen a soldier submits his preferences, a branch manager will look to see if the soldier meets the requirements, and also look into the soldier's assignment history.

i We are professional development NCOs, and our job is to find assignments that will help soldiers progress in their military career.î

ASK is available to soldiers through PERSCOM's Web site at <http://www.perscom.army.mil>. Soldiers will need to use their Army Knowledge Online account password to gain access to their information. Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric Shinseki directed that all soldiers get an AKO account by Oct. 1.

The completion of the new Web application culminates a five-year project, titled Operation Engage, to improve communications between enlisted managers and soldiers, PERSCOM officials said.

Other Operation Engage initiatives include putting fax machines in all enlisted career branches for expeditious processing. Soldiers will be able to easily identify their branch managers by a unique e-mail address. Also, there are pocket cards for soldiers with career branch phone numbers, e-mail addresses and fax numbers. About 550,000 pocket cards have been distributed.

Direct mailings are also being sent to enlisted sol-

diers to notify them of assignments and other career management information. Almost 5,000 PERSCOM telegrams are sent to soldiers each week. Another initiative is the interactive voice response system, which is an interactive telephone system that provides enlisted soldiers with automated assignment, school, and retention information 24 hours a day. The IVRS telephone number is 1-800-FYI-EPMD.

Soldiers may select their assignment preference and assignment volunteer locations from the following listings:

Soldiers must select two CONUS assignment preference locations from this listing:

Fort Bragg, N.C.; Fort Lewis, Wash.; Fort Campbell, Ky.; Fort Polk, La.; Fort Carson, Colo.; Fort Riley, Kan.; Fort Drum, N.Y.; Fort Stewart, Ga.; Fort Hood, Texas

Soldiers must select one CONUS assignment preference location and up to three CONUS assignment volunteer locations from this listing:

Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; Fort Belvoir, Va.; Fort Lee, Va.; Fort Benning, Ga.; Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.; Fort Bliss, Texas; Fort Lewis, Wash.; Fort Bragg, N.C.; Fort Meade, Md.; Fort Campbell, Ky.; Fort McClellan, Ala.; Fort Carson, Colo.; Fort McPherson, Ga.; Fort Drum, N.Y.; Fort Monroe, Va.; Fort Eustis, Va.; Fort Polk, La.; Fort Gordon, Ga.; Redstone Arsenal, Ala.; Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Riley, Kan.; Fort Huachuca, Ariz.; Fort Rucker, Ala.; Fort Irwin, Calif.; Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Fort Jackson, S.C.; Fort Sill, Okla.; Fort Knox, Ky.; Fort Stewart, Ga.

OCONUS Listing 6 Soldiers must select three OCONUS assignment preferences locations and up to three OCONUS assignment volunteer locations.

Alaska, Hawaii, Germany, Korea



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Operation Enduring Freedom continues

Armed F/A-18 Hornets line the flight deck of the aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN-70) prior to evening flight operations in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM Oct. 9.

Around Town

Arlington Cemetery

A national place of remembrance

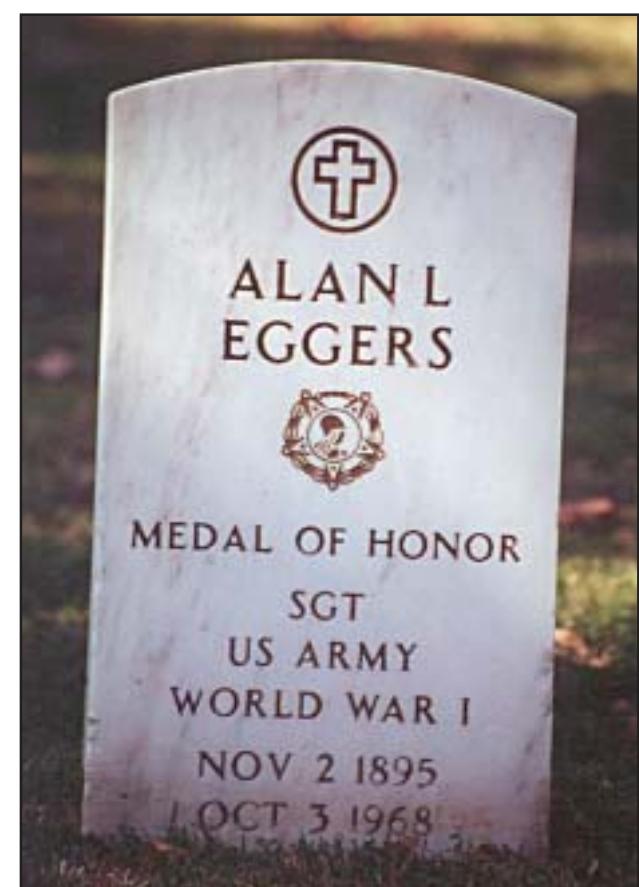


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More than 245,000 servicemembers and their family members rest on the 612 acres of Virginia land across the Potomac River from the Lincoln Memorial.



John F. Kennedy is one of two U.S. presidents buried at Arlington Cemetery, which is also the resting place for servicemembers from every conflict or war the U.S. has been involved in. All who are remembered here have this in common: service to their country.



There are thousands of individual stories to be told of the servicemembers who are buried at Arlington Cemetery.

SAFETY BRIEF

BY PATTI SHELLEY
SAFETY OFFICER



The Thanksgiving holiday weekend is the most traveled holiday of the year. For many soldiers, civilian employees, and their family members, this holiday will mean a time of traveling long distances to visit family and friends. Give special emphasis to: drinking and driving, excessive speed, driver fatigue, yielding of right of way, and seatbelt usage. Also ensure that you have conducted a safety inspection on your vehicle. Before you start up the automobile ensure everyone is buckled up— it is the law.

After you have reached your destination, and ready to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday, here is some food for thought while preparing that Thanksgiving bird. Each year the USDA issues a warning to consumers

about the unsafe practice of cooking stuffed roast turkey, but thousands of people continue to stuff the holiday bird in spite of the risk of foodborne illness. The primary risk is in serving undercooked stuffing made with such fragile delicacies as sausage, eggs and chicken or turkey broth. Since people continue to serve stuffed roast turkey anyway, let us talk about minimizing the risk. With proper cooking methods, you can actually produce a safe roasted stuffed turkey.

Limit the turkey size. Stuffing a larger turkey than 15 to 16 pounds is asking for trouble. The larger the turkey the larger the cavity and the more stuffing inside. The stuffing acts as insulation during roasting. The interior cooking time is slowed considerably. A smaller turkey minimizes the amount of time it takes for the stuffing to heat up.

Precook the stuffing. When the turkey is done, the stuffing should have cooked to an internal temperature of 165 degrees F. If the stuffing goes into the bird hot, it will reach this temperature before the rest of the turkey is overcooked. Ingredients like sausage and

other meats are usually cooked before adding to stuffing mixtures. Precooking the stuffing in a skillet or in the microwave for 5-10 minutes reduces the risk of undercooked stuffing. Also avoid using raw eggs and uncooked meat and sausages in the stuffing mix.

Stuff the turkey lightly. Do not use more than 1/2 to 3/4 cups stuffing mixture per pound of turkey. If you are cooking a 16 pound turkey, use no more than 8 to 12 cups of stuffing mix. Extra stuffing should be placed in a separate casserole and baked during the last 30 minutes of the turkey roasting time.

Use a meat thermometer. A stuffed turkey takes 30 to 60 minutes longer to cook than an unstuffed turkey. Refer to the Turkey Roasting Timetable at the end of this article. This increased cooking time often results in dry white meat. To complicate matters further, the breast meat cooks faster than the thigh by about 10 degrees F. Using an aluminum foil tent over the breast helps to slow the cooking time so that every part of the turkey is done at the same time.

The breast meat is done at 170 degrees F while the thigh takes the longest to cook to doneness at 180 degrees

F. If you do not have a meat thermometer, wiggle the leg, it should move freely in the joint. Another test for doneness is to prick the thigh with a fork. The meat juices will run clear without any tinge of pink color when the turkey is done.

Remove the stuffing immediately. As soon as the stuffed turkey is done remove the stuffing to a separate serving dish. Let the bird set for 20 minutes before carving for better results. The time allows juices to redistribute producing better carving results. Leftover stuffing should be refrigerated and eaten within one to two days.

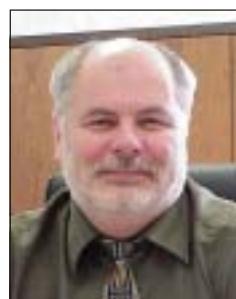
Consider cooking the stuffing in a separate dish. Using this method you eliminate the risk of overcooked turkey and the stuffing is always done. You can stuff the cavity of the turkey with chopped celery, onions, mushrooms, lemon slices and sage. You will produce a perfectly roasted, flavorful and moist turkey without the risk.

Now you can see why producing a golden brown roast turkey with moist, white meat, perfectly done dark meat and rich flavorful stuffing is nothing short of magic. Happy Holidays!

CIVILIAN'S CORNER

BY SAM JONES
BRIGADE SENIOR CIVILIAN

Changing Environment



We often look at change as something that is unwanted and unwelcome. The fact is however; change is good for all of us. It helps re-energize us which in turn helps us think more clearly, consider new concepts and better ideas, as well as helping us move forward in a world that never stops changing.

Throughout the next year, many changes will take place in our civilian work force. Some of you will be called upon to accept new challenges and more responsibility. There have already been several personnel changes in the 704th Department of the Army civilian work force such as; Paula Monroe accepting a position with Space Command, Daisey Fryer accepting a position within industry, Ben Wigney accepting the position of Brigade S6, Robert Wickliffe accepting the Deputy Chief position of the Army Technical Control and Analysis Element, Sharon Yarborough's promotion to GG-8 and a new DCIPS intern that will join us in a few months.

The moving of personnel and the resignation of others have left many voids in our work force that are critical to fill as soon as possible and we are working hard to see that done. We are also looking to the future and changing some civilian billets to new, challenging, and rewarding positions in order to satisfy the identified needs of the Brigade's transformation. The 704th will also take on new missions that will enhance our ability to leverage this nation's Intelligence community in order to provide

unprecedented intelligence support to the U.S. Army. Are you prepared to meet these new challenges? Here is a message from the DCSINT's office.

CAREER PROGRAM 35 (INTELLIGENCE).

The DCSINT Continues to Stress the Importance of Civilian Training and Development. The importance of the newly revised Army Civilian Training Education and Development System (ACTEDS) Plan to our civilians in Career Program 35 (Intelligence) was highlighted in the last edition of ODCSINT Hot Topics sent to Senior Intelligence Officers. At that time the DCSINT sought support: for briefing the affected workforce on the features of the new plan; for including the requirement for professional development within the performance objectives of civilians; and for redoubling efforts to find resources for training and development. We realized finding the resources in dollars, employee time away from work and training quotas would be a challenge because of the OPTEMPO, the increasing requirements related to Transformation and our limited resources. It has become even more challenging after the Terrorist Attacks on 11 September. The DCSINT continues, however, to cite the need for priority to be given to the development of civilians in the coming months. First priority of course must always be given to training required for mission accomplishment and priority must now be given to increased training to combat terrorism and protect the force. But, priority should also be given to increasing skill levels in the competencies identified in the ACTEDS Plan for each careerist's Career Track, Area and Specialty. We must balance the needs of today with those of tomorrow.

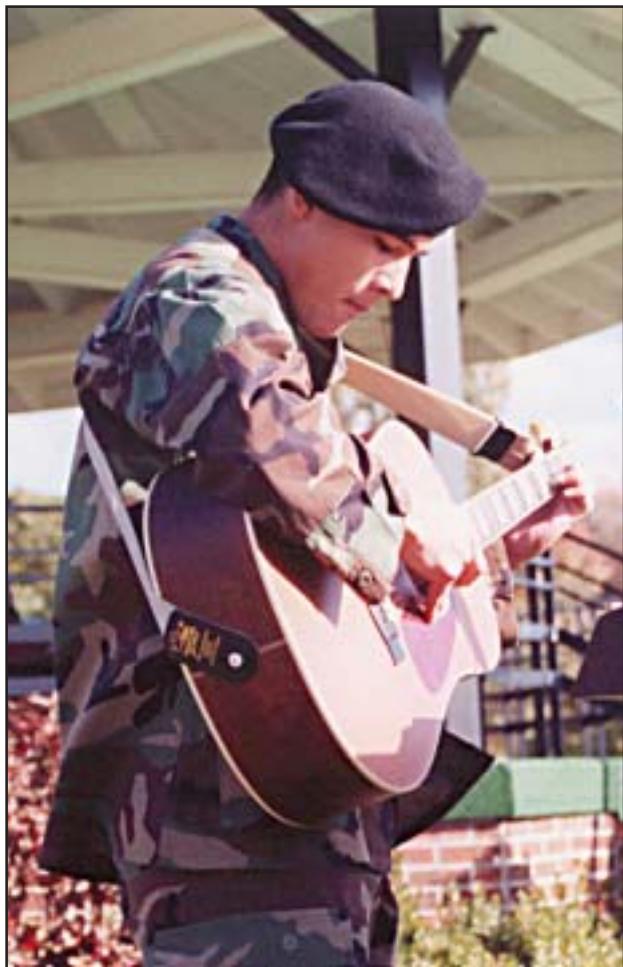
Other changes that have already taken place are spelled out in this article from the DCIPS/IPMO update.

I. SUPPORT TO ARMY'S CIVILIAN HUMAN RESOURCE STRATEGIC PLAN.

A. The West Civilian Personnel Operations Center (CPOC) and the Ft. Huachuca Civilian Personnel Advisory Center (CPAC) Begin Servicing Organizations That Have Volunteered for Centralized Servicing. In edition 2001-10 of this Update, dated 20 July 2001, we advised that centralized Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System (DCIPS) servicing would be moving from the National Capital Region. Beginning September 24, 2001, servicing of those DCIPS employees under centralized servicing at the Army National Capitol Region (ANCR) Civilian Personnel Operations Center (CPOC), Fort Belvoir, VA will shift to the West CPOC, Fort Huachuca, AZ. Simultaneously, Civilian Personnel Advisory Center (CPAC) servicing of those same employees will change from the P&ES-W CPAC in Crystal City, VA to the Fort Huachuca CPAC. The transition will be complete, and full servicing by both new activities will begin October 7, 2001. Dates for the transition of centralized servicing from the Southeast Civilian Personnel Operations Center to Ft Huachuca have not been finalized, but should be in late February or early March 2002. Dates for transfer of additional volunteer organizations in CONUS will have to wait until these actions are completed. Volunteer organizations overseas will likely be the last to be considered.

A Few Exceptions. Those DCIPS employees who are under regionalized servicing arrangements at the ANCR CPOC (U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command, Military Traffic Management Command, and the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command) will continue to be serviced by their current CPAC. CPOC servicing will transfer to the Northeast CPOC, Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD.

704th honors retirees with ceremony



Spc. Randy Batarao plays the brigade song *'Here and Everywhere'* in honor of the retirees.

The U.S. Army lost more than 100 years of service when the 704th Military Intelligence Brigade said good-bye to six retirees during a ceremony at McGlachlin Field Oct. 17.

The retirees who were honored were Maj. Harry Colter, Master Sgt. Ricky Reams, Sgt. 1st Class, Erin Mulvihill, Sgt. 1st Class Craig Eckenrod, Sgt. 1st Class Robert Sykes and Staff Sgt. Elouise Ellis.



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Sgt. 1st Class Craig Eckenrod and wife, Alice, are recognized by Col. Deborah J. Beckworth, brigade commander, during the 704th Military Intelligence Brigade Retirement Ceremony at McGlachlin Field Oct. 17.



VISION STATEMENT

704th Military Intelligence Brigade



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