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Soldiers gather to celebrate Memorial Day



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Maj. Gen. William G. Webster, 3rd. Inf. Div. commanding general, Patricia Barbee, Gold Star Wives of America, and Command Sgt. Maj. Gary Coker, acting division command sergeant major, place a yellow rose on the Marne Garden OIF memorial at Monday's ceremony. For story and more photos see page 2A.



Sp. Jimmy D. Lane

Maj. Gen. William G. Webster Jr., 3rd Inf. Div. commanding general, pins a Legion of Merit on Command Sgt. Maj. Julian A. Kellman, 3rd Inf. Div. command sergeant major, at his farewell ceremony at Marne Garden Friday.

Command Sgt. Maj. Kellman bids farewell

Sp. Jimmy D. Lane Jr.
Staff Writer

The 3rd Infantry Division command sergeant major bid farewell to Marne Soldiers in a ceremony at Marne Garden May 28.

Command Sgt. Maj. Julian Kellman was reassigned to the 3rd Army Headquarters at Fort McPherson, Ga.

"(Kellman) focused always on our Soldiers, ensuring our (non-commissioned officers) know how to build strong teams. You have helped ensure that our brigade task forces, Aviation Brigade, Division Artillery, Division Support Command, 24th Corps Support Group and all the separate units trained hard in garrison, at the combat training centers and in the encamp-

ments in Kuwait to ensure success in combat," said Maj. Gen. William G. Webster Jr., 3rd Inf. Div. commander. "You have been instrumental in all of our accomplishments in Operation Iraqi Freedom, the division reconstitution and now divisional reorganization. All of these missions have been monumental in themselves and have kept the nation's focus on the Dog Face Soldiers of the Marne Division."

Webster awarded Kellman with a Legion of Merit Medal for his service in the division.

Webster also recognized Kellman's wife Sherry for her support of families and Soldiers in the Fort Stewart and Hunter

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New Soldier Service Center opens

Pfc. Emily J. Danial
Staff writer

For decades, incoming and outgoing Fort Stewart Soldiers have had to travel all over the installation for the signatures and services they needed to enter or leave their unit.

Those days are now over. Stewart officials ceremoniously cut the ribbon on a new Soldier Service Center building May 24, giving Soldiers and their families full access to in- and out-processing services.

The center is a replacement for all the services offered in the recently demolished Marne Welcome Center, as well as those provided by the Army Community Services, Civilian Personnel Advisory Center, medical and dental facilities, housing office, Transportation Personal Property Branch and Army Career and Alumni Program.

"This building is designed to provide easy access and Soldier clearing capability," said Jake Umholtz, Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield human resources officer. "It gives

Soldiers and their families a one-stop shopping facility for in- and out-processing."

Having everything they need within short walking distance will expedite Soldiers' first and last paperwork days at Stewart tremendously, according to Umholtz.

"It takes about a day and a half off of their in-processing time, and they are ready to deploy as soon as they get to their units," he said.

Planning for the facility, which

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(Left to right) Col. John Kidd, garrison commander, Mr. Jake Umholtz, MILPERS officer, Pfc. Tempest Walker, who works at the center, Maj. Gen. William G. Webster, Jr., commanding general, and Mr. Lee Moffett, B.L. Harbert International cut the ribbon to open the new SSC.

Weather Forecast

FRI	High 88°	Low 68°
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Division pays respect on Memorial Day



Staff Sgt. Craig Zentkovich

Staff Sgt. Zettie Hall and Sgt. Larry Wurzbacher render salutes during the American Legion Memorial Day Ceremony at Bonaventure Cemetery in Savannah Monday.

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A Memorial Day ceremony was held at Marne Garden Monday to honor all those who have given their lives for this country. "Memorial Day in the United States of America in 2004 is a significant one, because we are currently at war," said Maj. Gen. William G. Webster Jr., 3rd Infantry Division commanding general.

Webster went on to give honor to those who have fought and died for America throughout history, calling to mind especially those who gave their lives in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Representatives from the various units in the division stood out bearing their colors to pay respects to those who gave their lives, and nine wreaths were laid for fallen Soldiers at the ceremony.

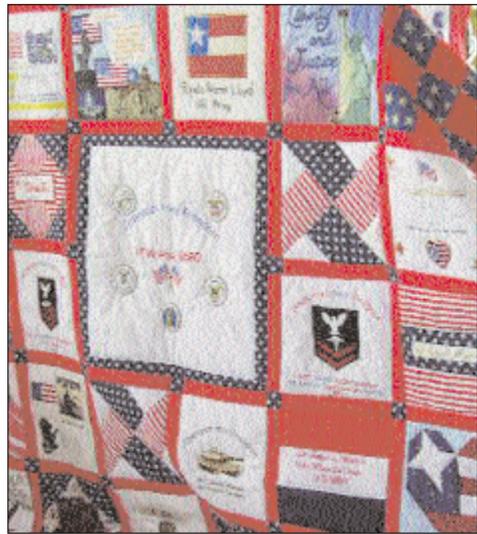
The groups that represented the wreaths were the 3rd Inf. Div. commanding general, American Legion Post 168, American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Unit 168, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6602, Vietnam Veterans of America Liberty Chapter 789, Liberty County Veterans Organization Council, Association of the United States Army Coastal Empire Chapter, 3rd Inf. Div. Society and Gold Star Wives

of America, Inc. To conclude the ceremony, a 21-gun salute was given and a 3rd Inf. Div. Band bugler played "Taps" as a way of honoring those who made the ultimate sacrifice. "Young Soldiers answered the call not because they loved war," Webster said. "But they knew the price and they were willing to pay it. He added, "May we earn the price they have paid for our freedom."



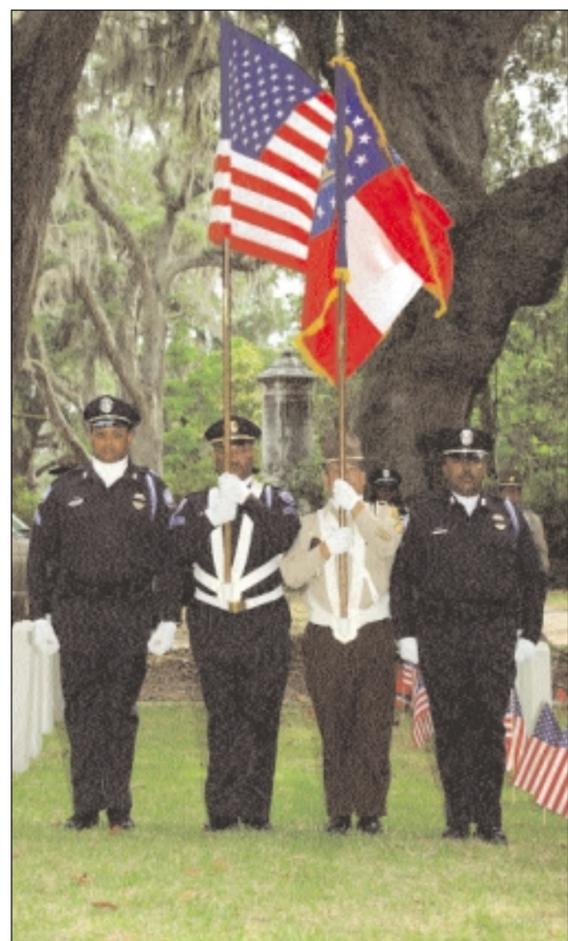
Pfc. Emily Danial

Marne Soldiers fire a 21-gun salute to honor fallen Soldiers at the Memorial Day ceremony at Marne Garden Monday.



Dina McCain

A quilt made by the Ladies Auxillary of the Folkston VFW at the Folkston, Ga. Memorial Day celebration Monday.



Staff Sgt. Craig Zentkovich

Savannah-Chatham County Metropolitan Police Department color guard posts the colors to signify the start of the American Legion Memorial Day Ceremony Monday at Bonaventure Cemetery.

Savannah hosts Armed Forces Day

Pfc. Ricardo J. Branch
Staff Writer

Military personnel and local citizens gathered along Savannah's historic riverfront Friday through Sunday for the 3rd Annual Armed Forces Festival at Rousakis Plaza. "This festival was started three years ago for the people of Savannah to honor the American military and to make sure their sacrifices are not forgotten," said Col. Mark S. Held, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers commander. "Military personnel have been fighting for freedom and some times paying the ultimate sacrifice," Held said. "Freedom is never free and it's up to us to not forget that, so we are here to remember and recognize all who have served and are still serving."

The festivities kicked off early Saturday morning following a multi-service military color guard presenting the colors to signify the start of Memorial Day weekend. After the color guard presentation, the 530th Air Force Band, Air National Guard, entertained the crowds with ceremonial music. After the music, crowds were then treated to flyovers by a US Coast Guard HH-65A Dolphin short-range recovery helicopter from the 165th Airlift Wing and an Air National Guard C-130 Hercules Cargo Aircraft, which flew down the river along the waterfront. "Me and my family came down to Savannah to visit the beach and heard about the armed forces festival while in town," said Cindy Evans. "We decided to come to the festival first and were glad cause we saw

some amazing flyovers and heard some wonderful speeches." "This kind of thing (armed forces festival) is very important to have to show your kids what the future is about and what the past has been because people have died for the people alive today and it's our job to honor and pay our respect to them," she added. People lined up along the sides of the waterfront and waved at the various aircraft and took photos of the demonstrations presented. Following the flyovers, the dolphin helicopter returned to give a demonstration to the public on how the US Coast Guard conducts search and rescue operations. Many local organizations take part in the festivities each year to give their support and honor



Pfc. Ricardo Branch

A C-130 Hercules Cargo Aircraft conducts a flyover for the crowds gathered at armed forces day in Savannah.

the servicemembers that make up the United States military. The event is sponsored by the Georgia National Guard Family Support Foundation to provide humanitarian support to members of the Georgia Department of Defense and their families.

Army develops policy to address sexual assault

Sgt. 1st Class Marcia Triggs

Special to the Frontline

WASHINGTON — The Army is devising a policy that will re-emphasize that all offenses of sexual assault must be reported to the Criminal Investigation Command, officials have announced.

A task force spent 90 days conducting a detailed review of the Army's current policies and programs on sexual assault. One of the findings was that while all commanders had taken action against assailants accused of sexual assault, not all were going through the proper investigation channels, said Darlene Sullivan, a task force member.

The task force was assembled from various Army organizations and began looking into how the Army addresses matters of sexual assault in February. Acting Secretary of the Army Les Brownlee authorized the task force.

The task force recommendations were approved by Brownlee, and were briefed to the House Armed Services Committee today by Reginald J. Brown, the assistant secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

There were nine shortfalls the task force noted in its 80-page report.

One major finding pointed out there was no standard way of handling sexual assault cases, making it hard to collect data and keep track of what services had been rendered to victims.

There were 24 recommendations made to improve the system. One was to develop a sexual assault policy for inclusion in Army Regulation 600-20, Army Command Policy. The chief of personnel, Army G-1 is responsible for the overall sexual assault policy.

The policy will define sexual assault as alleged offenses of rape, forcible sodomy, assault with intent to commit rape or

sodomy, indecent assault or an attempt to commit any of these offenses, Sullivan said. The definition is the same one used by the Department of Defense in its recent report "Care for Victims of Sexual Assault."

The roles and responsibilities of commanders from major command to the unit level will be addressed in the new policy and become a part of AR 600-20, said Lt. Col. John McPhaul of Army G-1.

"Commanders must create a command climate where victims feel comfortable reporting acts of sexual assault," said Sullivan. "Rape is one of the most unreported crimes nationwide."

"As a first sergeant, if you don't know your Soldier was attacked or raped, how can you protect that Soldier? What if you put that Soldier on guard duty with his or her attacker?"

It's imperative that leaders know that prevention, training and assistance are a commander's responsibility."

Company commanders will no longer have the authority to sign the disciplinary paperwork for Soldiers who are accused of a sexual offense, when the cases don't go to court. The battalion commander's signature will be required, Sullivan said.

Department of the Army form 4833, Commander's Report of Disciplinary or Administrative Action, is a permanent record that states what a Soldier was accused of, and what action was taken

against him.

Sullivan said the task force found that about 20 percent of the commanders had not filled out the form because of operational tempo. Another recommendation of the task force is to alter the form, so that instead of stating that administrative action was taken against a Soldier, his or her specific punishments will be listed on the form.

Commanders alone cannot round out a successful program to prevent sexual assault, according to the task force. Commanders alone cannot be the judge, juror and prosecutor.

In Army Regulation 600-20 one of the responsibilities commanders will have is to assign a unit victim advocate to support victims of sexual assault. It is important to keep the victim and the chain of command informed of all case actions as they occur with the case.

The unit victim advocate will work to provide emotional support to victims while assisting them in the step-by-step processes involved, McPhaul said.

Other agencies whose roles will be outlined in the chapter will include CID, the Provost Marshal, the Surgeon General, Staff Judge Advocate and Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management (Community and Family Support Center), McPhaul said.

"The Army agencies already have some procedures in place and know what to do,

and are doing it, if an act of sexual assault occurs," McPhaul said. "But we must develop comprehensive policy of dealing with sexual assault from awareness/prevention, to victim support and data collection."

"We are developing a mechanism that gets all the agencies in concert with each other by establishing a policy that deals with sexual assault not only in garrison but in a deployed setting as well," McPhaul said.

Training requirements will also be addressed in the regulation, McPhaul said. Within the next 60 to 90 days, new chapters will be added to the regulation and staffed with the field, he added.

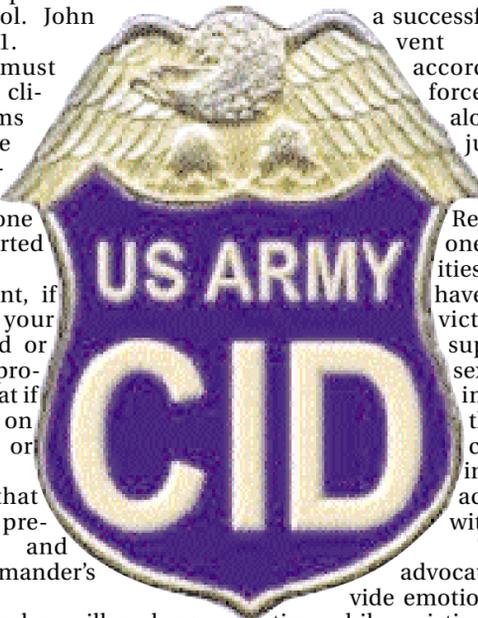
Training and Doctrine Command is currently devising lesson plans on the prevention of sexual assault to be included in all professional development schools, refresher courses at the unit level and additional training for law enforcement, medical and legal personnel, Sullivan said.

When looking for ways to improve the Army's policies and programs, the task force sought advice from outside agencies to include Department of Veteran Affairs; National Organization of Victim Assistance; Rape, Abuse, and Incest National Network; The Miles Foundation, Navy, Coast Guard and the University of Arizona and Purdue University in Indiana.

Both universities were given grants from the Department of Justice for their prevention programs, Sullivan said.

The age category for the Soldiers who report the assaults and their assailants are in the same age category as the university students, she added.

Nearly 84 percent of alleged perpetrators were identified as junior Soldiers, and 95 percent of the victims were in the rank of staff sergeant and below, according to the task force report.



Hunter announcements concerning upcoming events

Montgomery Gate will be closed June 6, 5 a.m. — June 10, 9 p.m.

Wilson Gate will be open 24 hours June 6, 5 a.m. — June 10, 9 p.m.

Lotts Island will be closed June 6, 5 a.m. — June 10, 9 p.m.

Hunter Golf Course will be closed June 8, 5 a.m. — June 10, 9 p.m.

Hunter Skeet Range will be closed June 5, 5 a.m. — June 11, 9 p.m.

Limited use of Hunter Gym from June 4, 5 a.m. — June 11, 9 p.m.

Recreational bicycling will be suspended June 6, 5 a.m. — June 10, 9 p.m.

Hunter Club will be open for buffet lunch only from June 6 — June 10

Hunter Lanes will open only for Lunch June 7 to 10

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Remove bad apples before they ruin the bunch

Spc. Jimmy D. Lane Jr.

Staff Writer

Some people never change, no matter how much training you put them through. I am a true believer in tearing Soldiers down to build them over again, but sometimes the basic version of a person makes you lose all hope.

Sometimes when you get to the core of a Soldier, it's even uglier than what you see on the outside. Army Values will not change these people, no matter how much you try to beat it into their heads. Fortunately, most of the time when I have given up all hope on these people, it is after they have gotten out of the Army.

I know it's hard to imagine being in the Army for an extended period of time and not getting anything more out of it than some college money and a Department of Defense form 214.

In basic training, we were given the speech on Army values from our company commander. He told us that these values are something you come to the Army with, and that

the drill sergeants only help you remember what years of video games have helped you forget. I believe this to be true, therefore realizing that if you can't make it in the Army, you will probably fail in most areas of your life.

I have seen more Soldiers change in the Army than I have seen fail. The worst ones are the very few that refuse to change, or bravo sierra their way through and pass all the standards by the skin of their teeth. We all know who these guys are, and if you are anything like me, you have spent countless time exhausting yourself trying to talk sense into them.

I hate to say it, but all of us have breathed a sigh of relief when we come into work one fateful day and realize that a certain someone's last day was yesterday, and now things will run more smoothly without them.

Commentary



The part that scares me the most about these people is they refuse to listen to things that could save lives in a dangerous situation.

One day I looked around my office and tried to pick who I would want to have my back during a wartime deployment. I shuddered to think about having one or two of these guys in my foxhole. I am sure the highest ranking person in our command will agree that all the broken parts need to be replaced before we get the machine rolling, especially when good Soldiers' lives are at stake.

I think it is important to try to reach out to all Soldiers in your immediate area and encourage them to do not only what is right for themselves, but also what is right for the Army. Some people don't want to be here; they know it and we know it. As a very influential man in my chain of command once

said, "cut your losses."

I would never want to take away a fifth or sixth or twentieth chance from any Soldier; because God knows I have had that many chances to improve and more. Yet every time my noncommissioned officer in charge lit me up, I had a desire to improve, and would take the chewing and use it to my advantage.

Eventually I became what I would like to believe is a valuable member of unit. I further hope that when my co-workers are looking around the office that they would have no doubt in their heart about making me a resident of their fighting positions.

Then there are the Soldiers who get chewed out and just stand there rolling their eyes, waiting for their NCOIC to shut up so they can go forth and do more terrible things. They have no desire to improve, and believe the world is against them.

When they get Down Range, their lack of attention to detail may cost someone a father or husband. Cut your losses.

Marne Voice

THE FRONTLINE

Readers respond to the question:

Do you feel that Memorial Day was more special because we are at war and why?

"Very special, because of the utter sacrifice Soldiers have made in the past."

**CW2 John M. Blue
HQ, 48th Bde.**



"No, because Memorial Day is about honoring those that have died past and present and the fact we are at war is irrelevant."

**Staff Sgt. Robert Kittledge
FSC, 3/7 Inf.**



"Absolutely, because it gives us a better focus on why we need to remember Soldiers that have fallen, especially friends that have recently died."

**Lt. Col. Christopher Shotts
Army Aviation Center**



"Yes, because more of the country is thinking about Soldiers that are fighting all over the world."

**Sgt. Susan Stall
C Co., 148th FSB**



"Yes, because of the magnitude of the war and the fact that Soldiers are fighting for our country."

**Henry Ray
TMP Driver**



"I don't feel there is anything you can do to compensate for a Soldier's life."

**Pfc. Rebecca Voltaire
3220th GSU**

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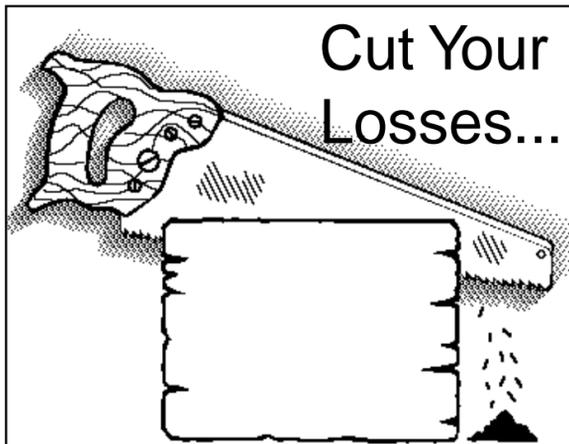
In our Apr. 15 issue of The Frontline on page 1A we mistakenly identified Sgt. Brian Whittemore, 3rd Infantry Division Band tuba player, as Sgt. Jamie Perez, 703rd Main Support Battalion motor transportation sergeant. The Frontline apologizes for the error.

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Conservation measures relax water restrictions

Anna Chafin

DPW Environmental Branch

As a result of five consecutive years of severe drought conditions beginning in the late 1990s, the Georgia Environmental Protection Division developed a State Drought Management Plan in March 2003.

Despite a year's reprieve from the drought, the EPD cautioned that "It's important that all Georgians understand the need to conserve water even during periods of plentiful rainfall."

As a result, year-round conservation-based restrictions on outdoor use are in effect. Currently, homes and businesses with odd-numbered addresses may water on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays.

Likewise, home and businesses with even-numbered or unnumbered addresses may water on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays while all outdoor watering will be prohibited on Fridays.

Although the water usage restriction situation for our area has changed, the need to manage and maintain our limited water supplies has not. State and local governments in Georgia have been preparing for decades to help meet water supply needs during drought situations and since Georgia's last major drought during 1986-1988, progress has been made by developing drought contingency and emergency plans, as well as adopting local ordinances to impose water restrictions.

"It is a tribute to these efforts that despite the worst drought in Georgia's history, and the tremendous population growth over the last two decades, most Georgia communities have not yet experienced true suffering in terms of water supply shortages. In fact, most communities had only restricted the hours of outdoor water usage—an inconvenience to homeowners and some businesses, but hardly a major inconvenience considering alternative scenarios," said Ms.

Tressa Rutland, Directorate of Public Works Environmental Branch.

Throughout the state, Georgia faces many challenges in its quest for a sustainable water supply, such as population growth, low stream flow rates, saltwater intrusion, and depletion of groundwater sources. Water conservation must become an integral component of effective water resource management for sustainable economic development.

As fresh water sources in several regions of the state may be approaching their sustainable limits, Rutland emphasized that water usage must be prioritized and water conservation must become the norm rather than a last resort during times of crisis.

Initiatives to manage water resources effectively can only be achieved through cooperation and collaboration among Georgia's eight million citizens. Individuals must conserve water at home and at work throughout the year. Businesses and indus-

tries across the state must find more efficient ways to use water and eliminate waste. Farmers must help find solutions that reduce their irrigation needs while protecting their crops. And local governments must drought-proof themselves before the next drought by increasing their water storage capacity and implementing aggressive conservation programs.

To help evaluate conservation alternatives, a waterfree urinal is being "piloted" in the men's room of Fort Stewart's main Environmental office. A Falcon Waterfree Technologies waterless urinal was installed at Fort Stewart to help save time and money, conserve tremendous amounts of freshwater and energy, and create more hygienic, odor-free restrooms. On average, the waterless urinal conserves 40,000 gallons of freshwater per urinal per year.

Everyone at Fort Stewart and Hunter must continue to do their part by conserving water for future generations.

KELLMAN

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Army Airfield community. She was awarded a Dr. Mary E. Walker medal and a Commander's Award for Public Service Citation.

"You have been a loyal, caring and selfless supporter," Webster said. "Thank you for your friendship, candor, guidance, help and time as a volunteer. It's been important to the success of our family readiness groups and our volunteer programs. Your example represents one of the finest traditions within our service and community."

Kellman thanked the leaders of the 3rd Inf. Div. Soldiers for their hard work and dedication to the rigorous training Soldiers endured to uphold the standards that make the Marne Division successful in combat.

"With our nation still engaged in the war against terrorism, we as leaders have to ensure that the Soldiers of the Marne Division are trained and ready," Kellman said. "We ask much of our Soldiers and they make sacrifices each day. Our Soldiers do not want to die but are willing to do so. I have watched in awe of their remarkable performance during OIF. To the NCOs of the Marne Division, I challenge you again to continue to know and live the creed daily and to enforce the standards. To take care of your Soldiers and their families you must master these tasks. I have had the honor and privilege of serving in this great division with the best Soldiers in the Army."



Spc. Jimmy D. Lane, Jr.

Webster hugs Sherry Kellman, Julian's wife at the going-away ceremony.

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contains 60,000 square feet of useable office space, began in 1994.

The groundbreaking for its construction wasn't conducted until February 20, 2003, nearly a decade later, but after 14 months, the building was completed by B.L. Harbert International, from Birmingham, Ala.

Apart from being much larger than the old Welcome Center, the new structure's historic-Southern outer appearance is a far cry from the World-War-II-era building that is now a pile of rubble.

"Isn't it beautiful?" Umholtz asked the ceremony's attendees.

Col. John M. Kidd, Stewart garrison commander, agreed with him.

"What a Soldier remembers most about a duty station is the first thing and the last thing he sees at that duty station," Kidd said. "Now, his attention will be drawn to this magnificent building."

LEGAL ASSISTANCE AND CLAIMS CONSOLIDATE TO FORM NEW MARNE FAMILY LAW CENTER

We're Moving... and changing names.

The Third Infantry Division, Fort Stewart's Garrison Command, and the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate are pleased to announce the creation of a new Marne Family Law Center. The office will consolidate the Legal Assistance Office and Claims Office to provide soldiers and their family members with a one-stop shop to address their legal questions and concerns.

The two offices will become one on Monday. The new office will be located in Building 50A at 373 Hase Road, Fort Stewart, Georgia 31314. The building is located just off Hase Road, slight behind the new PX/BX Complex. We will be closed today and Friday in order to move to our new location. For legal emergencies during that time, call 767-2952.

Not sure whether you need legal aid? Remember, the Claims Office is your one stop shop for all your claims needs, including household goods, tort, or Article 139 claims. Legal Assistance will continue to answer your questions on wills, powers of attorney, family law, consumer law and complaints, landlord and tenant law, and various other military related legal issues.

Office hours for the Marne Family Law Center are as follows:

Monday to Wednesday
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursday
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
(4 p.m. on days prior to training holidays)
Friday
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Call 767-8809 or 767-8819 with your questions on the move, or on your own legal matter. Rock of the Marne!

ASK THE JUDGE

Why You Need A Will

1st Lt. Jacob Lilly

Special to the Frontline

Although the majority of Americans die without a will, this only serves to complicate an already difficult time. Without a Will, much of what you have worked hard for all your life is left to chance. You may think that you will have plenty of time to take care of a Will "later." You may think that you don't have enough assets to worry about a Will. Or, you may assume that your family will carry out your wishes when you are gone. Often, people avoid making a Will because it forces you to think about death, which can be a very uncomfortable topic. Many soldiers often wait until a real world deployment to have a will drafted thinking that now there is a strong possibility of dying. Statistics show that most individuals die within fifty miles of their home. Don't wait to have a will drafted, if you need a will have one prepared now.

Q: Why do I need a will?

A: A Will is a legal document that helps you put your affairs in order at the time you die. Every adult should have a Will to outline intentions regarding your home, money, and other assets upon your death. Your Will should name whom you want to handle your estate, how your assets will be divided, and who will serve as guardian for your minor children. Attorneys are trained to write Wills which accurately set forth your intentions. A carefully

drafted Will prepared by an attorney will ensure that your wishes are clearly stated and will be carried out.

Your rebuttal, along with the report of survey recommending financial liability, will then be forwarded to the approving authority for a decision as to whether you will be assessed with financial liability.

Q: What happens if I don't have a Will?

A: State law deals uniformly with all instances of death without a Will. No considerations are made for the special needs of any individual or family. Your money and possessions will be distributed according to a formula fixed by law, which means that your spouse may have to share assets with other family members whom you would not have named in a Will. Dying without a Will could also lead to your minor children being placed in the care of a guardian appointed by the court, not necessarily the person that you would have chosen.

Q: Can I write my own Will?

A: Some individuals opt to draft their own Will, using standardized kits or computer software programs. While any Will may be better than no Will at all, do-it-yourselfers must be cautioned that writing a Will involves judgment and skills acquired only through professional training and experience. Developing a Will requires knowledge of federal and state tax laws. Standardized Wills may not be drafted properly

under your state's laws. A Will that is not skillfully drafted could result in your estate being distributed in a manner contrary to your wishes, and lead to unnecessary legal costs should challenges be raised by disgruntled heirs.

Q: What if I already have a Will?

A: Estate planning is not a one-time process, but should respond to changes in your life. A Will should be updated as your situation changes, such as an increase in your assets, the birth or death of a beneficiary, a marriage or divorce, or a major change in estate or tax laws. Additionally, a Will may not be the only document you need. Consideration should be given to the manner in which assets are titled, the estate, inheritance, and income taxes that will be due at the time of death, and whether assets should be held in trust or given outright to your intended beneficiaries.

Q: How do I get a Will?

A: If you are active duty, retired, or a family member of an active duty or retired servicemember, you may have a Will drafted by an attorney at your local legal assistance office. Legal Assistance Attorneys can also provide counseling on trusts, powers of attorney, health care directives, and other estate planning procedures. Call the Fort Stewart Legal Assistance Office at 767-8819 or the Hunter Army Airfield Legal Assistance Office at 352-5115 for more information.

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Stewart

\$200 Reward

A reward of \$200 is being offered for information leading to the recovery of the property and/or the arrest and conviction for the person(s) responsible for the larceny of a general mechanics tool kit from HHC, 2/7 Infantry, Fort Stewart, GA 31314. The incident occurred between Dec. 18 and Jan. 5.

Anyone having knowledge of the incident, who does not wish to be identified, will be briefed on available options in maintaining their confidentiality.

Those with information concerning this matter are encouraged to call the CID office at 767-5030, or the Military Police Desk, 767-4895.

SAMC Golf Tournament

The Sergeant Audie Murphy Club is holding a golf tournament and fund raiser. The tournament is open to the public. It will be Friday at 8 a.m.. For more information, contact 1st Sgt. Zito at 767-7171.

Join Toastmasters

Whether you're a professional, student, stay-at-home parent, or retiree, Toastmasters is the best way to improve your leadership and communication skills. The Dogfaced Soldiers This Club meets at noon every second and fourth Friday of the month at Club Stewart. Open to everyone.

For more information, contact Chief Warrant Officer Jay Bowen at 767-0383, or email him at bowenja@stewart.army.mil, or call Brigitte Roberts at 370-6903.

Offshore Fishing

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Infantry Division unit financial advisor Staff Sgt. Mike Lyons, is offering offshore fishing trips for interested Soldiers on weekends. Great-tasting dolphin fish are in season. Bait and fuel are provided for a small fee. Call Lyons at 767-1806.

Housing Mayors Hotline

If you have issues or concerns, call Army Community Service, 767- 3276. Volunteer as a housing mayor and make a difference in your community.

Special Forces

1st Special Forces Operational Detachment-Delta is the U.S. Army's special operations unit organized for the conduct of missions requiring a rapid response with surgical application of a wide variety of unique special operations skills.

All Soldiers in the rank of specialist through master sergeant, and captain through major may apply. For more information please contact the Special Missions Recruiting Team at sof6.recruiting@us.army.mil.

Hunter

Relationship enhancement

The chaplain's office is sponsoring free couple's communication and relationship enhancement classes at Hunter Club.

For a list of the classes and more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) Timothy Sowers at 572-8605.

2004 Miller Lite Concert

Buy your tickets in advance for the 2004 Miller Lite Concert featuring "Train" at Hunter Lanes. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$15 after May 8 and \$20 on the day of the concert, June 17.

Hunter Club

The Hunter Club is open for lunch Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information or to schedule a special event, call 352-5270.

Golf sweepstakes

Drive to Winn at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield's "Lucky Bucket Sweepstakes 2" promotion. Sharpen your golf skills and win some great prizes in the process. Through June 30, one orange "lucky" ball will be drawn out each week at each golf facility. Win instantly if you find the orange "lucky" ball in the bucket of balls you purchase at the driving range. In addition, an "Enter to Win" sweepstakes form

is available for local and national grand prize drawings at the end of the promotion.

The promotion is a Business Programs initiative to help installations "Build Their Business."

For more details about the event, contact Tommy McArthur, golf course manager, at 912-352-5622 or 912-767-2370.

Volunteers needed

The ACS volunteer coordinator and the installation volunteer coordinator have information about a wide variety of volunteer opportunities in the ACS center and other agencies at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield.

Volunteer orientation at ACS is the first Thursday of every month, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Volunteers are always welcome and much-needed at ACS.

For more information, call 352-6816.

Library

There's Something for Everyone! Temporarily located at the--

Education Center, Bldg 1290, Room 24, 912-353-2403

Check out books, newspapers, magazines, videos, DVDs, Books-on-Tape& use our computers, typewriters, email system, internet, Galileo Inter-Library Loan Service and more.

Winn /Tuttle

"Take Care of Yourself"

The next "Take Care of Yourself" classes at Winn will be held 2 to 3 p.m. June 9 and 11 a.m. to noon June 23. Tuttle's class will be held 10 to 11 a.m. June 23. The class gives an overview of how to use the "Take Care of Yourself" book.

Upon completing the class, you will receive a card that allows you to get over-the-counter medications from Winn or Tuttle. To register for Winn's June 9 class, 370-5071. To register for Winn's June 23 class, call 368-3048 and to register at Tuttle, call 1-800-652-9221.

Third Party Insurance

Effective July 1, individual's social security numbers will no longer be displayed on health insurance cards in accordance with Georgia Senate Bill 721.

Individuals with private health insurance should contact the Third Party Insurance Office at Winn upon receipt of their unique member identification numbers (policy numbers.) Call the Third Party Insurance Office at 370-6037/6947 for more information.

Full Service PX Pharmacy

The PX Satellite Pharmacy is now open for full service business. Patients may fill new pre-

scriptions and refill prescriptions here 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 6 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

Tobacco Cessation Classes

Tobacco Cessation classes at Winn will be held 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. every Thursday from June 24 to July 15 or 6 to 8 p.m. every Tuesday from June 22 to July 13. Tuttle's class will be held 1 to 3 p.m. every Wednesday from July 7 to July 28. The class will help you kick the habit, whether smoking, chewing or dipping. To register at Winn, call 370-5071. To register at Tuttle, call 1-800-652-9221.

New Appointment Line

The new appointment line phone number is 370-6633.

Intervention Services

Military families with children up to 3 years old who may be at risk for developmental delays can call Educational and Developmental Intervention Services for a free screening. Services include home visits, occupational therapy, special instruction, physical therapy, speech and language therapy, vision and hearing screenings, family training, developmental screenings and assessments. For more information, call 370-6349.

Marne TV

June 2004 Schedule

Marne TV can be found on Comcast Cable Channel 16 every weekday. Tune in to the Marne Report six times a day for the latest from Stewart and Hunter.

5 a.m. Army Newswatch
5:30 a.m. **MARNE REPORT**
 6:30 a.m. Air Force News
 7 a.m. Navy News
 7:30 a.m. Army Newswatch
8 a.m. **MARNE REPORT**
 9 a.m. Air Force News
 9:30 a.m. Navy News
 11:30 a.m. Army Newswatch
Noon **MARNE REPORT**

1 p.m. Air Force News
 4:30 p.m. Navy News
5 p.m. **MARNE REPORT**
 6 p.m. Army Newswatch
 6:30 p.m. Air Force News
 7 p.m. Navy News
10 p.m. **MARNE REPORT**
 11 p.m. Army Newswatch
Midnight **MARNE REPORT**

POLICE REPORTS

- **Subject:** Specialist, 29-year-old male, 3/7 Infantry
- **Charges:** Driving under the influence, speeding
- **Location:** Savannah

- **Subject:** Private 2, 21-year-old male, 1/9 Field Artillery
- **Charges:** Speeding 58/40, failure to appear
- **Location:** Hinesville

- **Subject:** Specialist, 23-year-old female, 1/3 Aviation
- **Charge:** Simple battery
- **Location:** Hinesville

- **Subject:** Ret. Staff Sergeant, 52-year-old male
- **Charge:** Driving on suspended license
- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Private, 28-year-old male, 3/15 Infantry
- **Charges:** Larceny of private property, wrongful possession of marijuana, false official statement, dereliction of duty, wrongful disposition of government property, conspiracy
- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Sergeant, 27-year-old

- male, 3/7 Infantry
- **Charges:** False official statement, dereliction of duty
- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Specialist, 22-year-old male, 1/41 Field Artillery
- **Charges:** Accidental death, careless or reckless driving, failure to maintain lane
- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Specialist, 25-year-old male, 1/3 Aviation

- **Charges:** Driving on revoked license, failure to stop at posted stop sign
- **Location:** Hunter

- **Subject:** Private, 19-year-old male, 1/64 Armor
- **Charge:** Wrongful making, altering or tampering with military identification card
- **Location:** Hunter

- **Subject:** Private, 27-year-old male, 110th Quartermaster Co.
- **Charges:** Failure to obey a lawful order, dereliction in the per-



- formance of duty
- **Location:** Hunter

- **Subject:** Family member, 27-year-old female
- **Charge:** Larceny of AAFES property
- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Specialist, 25-year-old female, MEDDAC
- **Charge:** Simple assault consummated with a battery
- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 21-

- year-old male, 4/64th Armor

- **Charges:** Wrongful possession of marijuana, wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Myrtle Beach, S.C.

- **Subject:** Private 2, 19-year-old male, 2/3 Aviation
- **Charge:** Cruelty to children
- **Location:** Hunter

- **Subject:** Private 2, 21-year-old male, 3/7 Calvary Squadron
- **Charge:** Larceny of AAFES property

- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 24-year-old male, 1/39 Field Artillery
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Private 1st Class, 18-year-old male, 1/41 Field Artillery

- **Charges:** Forgery, larceny of private funds, larceny of private property

- **Location:** Fort Stewart
- **Subject:** Specialist, 31-year-old male, 263rd Armor
- **Charge:** Drunk in public
- **Location:** Hinesville

- **Subject:** Civilian, 23-year-old female
- **Charges:** Vulgar language in the presence of a child, no insurance, unrestrained child
- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Staff Sergeant, 44-year-old female, 631st Maintenance Co.
- **Charge:** Simple assault
- **Location:** Fort Stewart

- **Subject:** Private, 19-year-old female, 103rd Military Intelligence Bn.
- **Charge:** Wrongful use of marijuana
- **Location:** Hinesville

- **Subject:** Specialist, 24-year-old male, 3/160th Special Operations Aviation Regt.
- **Charges:** Drunken driving, simple battery, obstruction of law enforcement officer, contempt of court
- **Location:** Savannah

CENTCOM News

Soldiers, Iraqis fix faulty sewage facilities

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Over the next 12 to 18 months, the 5th Brigade Combat Team of the 1st Cavalry Division plans to help the people of Al Rashid solve their sewage problems.

At a ground breaking ceremony to replace a faulty sewage pumping station in Al Rashid May 26, Maj. Gen. Peter Chiarelli, the 1st Cavalry Division commander, explained the plan for overhauling the district's neglected sewage system.

With \$40 million from the Coalition Provisional Authority approved for the project, Iraqi contractors will do most of the work with oversight from the 5th BCT and an American contractor.

Capt. Matthew McCulley, the Company B commander, 8th Engineer Battalion, explained that Al Rashid's sewage problem is largely a result of the district's trash problem.

McCulley said, "the biggest problem is just the trash getting into the system and people throwing trash in the manholes, causing the system to block up and backlog."

To fix the broken system, 5th BCT is working on projects to solve the area's lack of trash-collection facilities.

The 5th BCT will contract local Iraqi companies to clean manholes, fix broken lines and get substations running at 100

percent capacity.

In addition to fixing the existing system, the plan calls for building new lines to areas that never had sewer service. In these areas, raw sewage currently runs from homes into open canals that run through the center of town.

Soldiers use new explosive detection equipment

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Coalition forces are using a new hand-carried device called Vapor Tracer 2 that detects and identifies vapors and particles produced by numerous forms of explosives and narcotics.

Vapor Tracer 2 uses an atmospheric sampling technique that is extremely sensitive and fast. Its average detection time is four to 10 seconds per sample.

The Vapor Tracer 2 is being used at all of the checkpoints around the green zone to help make them more secure.

Soldiers from Troop F, 9th Cavalry Regiment, used the Vapor Tracer 2 earlier in May on a mission to find a suspected cache of explosives. Though the cache was not the explosive material it was reported to be, the Vapor Tracer 2 did positively identify a substance that could be used in explosives.

The detection system is currently being used in civilian airports throughout the United States to check people, baggage, vehicles and cargo for explo-

sive substances.

Soldiers get tons of weapons from rewards program

BAGHDAD, Iraq — More than three tons of ordnance was turned into Coalition forces during a weapons rewards program in the Thawra district. The program, which began May 15, was aimed to disarm the local populace while infusing money into the economy.

Soldiers from 1st Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Battalion, 5th Cavalry Regiment and 2nd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment provided security for the weapons turn-in sites while the 1st Brigade Combat Team was inundated with thousands of weapons and tons of explosives and munitions.

The task of handling, sorting, transporting, and destroying the large amount of ordnance was shouldered by five specialized explosive ordnance disposal teams and the soldiers of the 20th Engineer Battalion "Lumberjacks."

Ordinarily, the 1st Brigade Combat Team is allocated two Explosive Ordnance Disposal teams. However, for this undertaking, the brigade requested assistance from the Air Force and Navy.

The EOD teams disposed of most of the weapons turned in; however, the Iraqi Civil Defense Corps redistributed a large number of the weapons for their use.

Marines bolster electricity, city clean-up and youth sports

AR RAMADI, Iraq — Marines paid Al Kharma city officials \$19,000 in initial payments for projects to improve the city's infrastructure and other programs.

Projects include:

- A \$21,500 project to improve electrical power distribution
- A \$23,500 project to install billboards and flagpoles
- \$2,500 to fund clean-up initiatives

Additionally, a \$7,000 payment was made for progress of an ongoing \$32,000 project to benefit the city's youth.

Marines also provided \$7,000 in start-up funds for a soccer and handball league to be started by a local sheik near Fallujah.

First Infantry Division Soldiers detain 60, seize weapons cache

TIKRIT, Iraq — 1st Infantry Division Soldiers detained 60 suspected weapons smugglers and confiscated 1,650 artillery rounds hidden in nine trucks near Samarra around 11:15 a.m. Tuesday.

The suspects were taken to a coalition detention facility for questioning and the weapons were taken to a coalition base for destruction.

Army names 'Greatest Inventions' of year

ARNEWS

Special to The Frontline

WASHINGTON — Ten teams will be recognized June 23 by the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command for the "Greatest Army Inventions" of the past year.

The winning inventions include a zinc-air battery, life-saving medical equipment, the first antipersonnel round for the Abrams tank and camera equipment to inspect caves.

"The inventions submitted demonstrate the vast experience within the Army laboratory community as a sincere commitment of these laboratories to improving the readiness of our Army," said Lt. Gen. Richard A. Cody, the Army's deputy chief of staff, G-3 and the final selection authority for the program.

The BA-8180/U Zinc-Air Battery was developed by Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center, Integrated Battle Command Directorate, Fort Monmouth, N.J. The battery has an extended lifecycle that enables less batteries to be carried by Soldiers than other rechargeable or lithium batteries.

The first antipersonnel round for the Abrams Main Battle Tank was designed by the Armaments Engineering and Technology Center, Picatinny Arsenal, N.J. The Ctg 120mm xm1208 canister consists of a two-piece projectile canister aluminum body with four axial slots to facilitate the separation of the sidewall. This design improves payload discard reliability and uniformity, according to experts.

The anti-tank for confined space, also called the AT4 CS is also the creation of the Armaments Engineering and Technology Center in Picatinny Arsenal, N.J. The AT4 CS is the Department of Defense's first large-caliber anti-tank capability that can be fired from an enclosed area. It is a light, recoilless, shoulder-fired, preloaded weapon used for close-range combat. Designed for a single use, once the weapon has been fired the launcher is thrown away.

There is a counter mass container on one end of the AT4 CS that reduces overblast, debris and noise. This feature allows the weapon to be fired from inside a room, in a thick jungle or in front of an obstacle.

An anti-personnel obstacle breaching



Courtesy Photo

A medical care professional uses the Battlefield Medical Information System-Telemedicine while treating a patient. The BMIS-T is one of the 2003 Army Greatest Inventions.

system is another invention created by the Armaments Engineering and Technology Center. The APOBS is used to clear areas and create footpaths for troops moving in an area with mines or wire obstacles. It replaces the Bangalore Torpedo, which was heavier, took longer to set up and four times the number of people to carry, officials said.

The APOBS can be carried by two people, and takes 30 to 120 seconds to be set up. Once in place, it fires a rocket from a 25-meter standoff position, sending a line charge with fragmentation grenades over the minefields or wire obstacles. The grenades clear the mines and sever the wires.

Agentase Nerve Agent Sensor is an invention designed by the U.S. Army Research Laboratory from the U.S. Army Research Office in Durham, N.C. The sensor is a hand-held device that detects nerve agents when pressed against a surface. Reactive components have been integrated inside two polymer layers that remove requirements by conventional technologies for additional substrates or extended incubation times. If a nerve agent chemical weapon is present, a color-developing polymer layer contains an environmentally sensitive indicator that changes from yellow to red/orange within two minutes.

The Portable Omni-Directional Well Camera System was developed at Fort Belvoir, Va., by the Communications-

Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center Night Vision and Electronic Sensors Directorate. The system is designed for inspecting wells, underground caves or vertical passages that are unfit or unsafe for human inspection. It can be used in light or dark conditions and to a depth of 300 feet. Video from a hemispherical CCD sensor payload is displayed on a four-inch monitor at the surface of an area being explored. The system is designed to be waterproof to a depth of 90 feet.

The Golden Hour Container was created by the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Silver Spring, Md. This container can transport red blood cell units without the use of batteries, ice or electricity. It was designed to transport the blood cell units within military facilities and to the Forward Surgical Teams where delayed evacuation of wounded soldiers can occur. The container is reusable and maintains the contents at the appropriate temperatures for more than 78 hours. While designed specifically for transporting red blood cell units, inventors believe its usefulness will extend to other items such as vaccines and reagents. The container has a carrying strap and comes in Army desert, woodland and Marine camouflage.

VIRGIL Chest Trauma Training System is the invention of the Simulation Group, Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center at Fort Detrick, Md. The

training system combines the use of a mannequin and a computer-based graphic interface. It is used during training exercises and tracks the internal position of chest darts and chest tubes as well as provides feedback to the user.

A mount assembly, designed by the Tank Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center, National Automotive Center in Warren, Mich., helps provide more security to crews in Humvees.

The Squad Automatic Weapon Pintle Mount Assembly provides Soldiers the ability to defend themselves from both sides of the vehicle. It also allows the SAW to be elevated to a 45-degree angle to defend themselves from enemy who may be on overpasses or similar overhead objects. The mount is attached mid-way between the front and rear doors on the HMMWV. This provides crew members in either the front or rear seats to use the weapon by swiveling the weapon in the direction needed.

The Battlefield Medical Information System - Telemedicine was designed by the Telemedicine and Advanced Technology Research Center, Fort Detrick, Md. BMIS-T is a similar to a handheld computer with special programming developed to assist deployed medical personnel with diagnosis and treatment. It can be used to record patient clinical encounters and transmit those records to a central repository, officials said. The system holds service members' medical records including immunizations, dental and vision records as well as known drug allergies. BMIS-T is programmed with healthcare reference manuals and can provide medical personnel with suggested diagnosis and treatment plans.

Nominations for the program were submitted from across the Army laboratory community and were evaluated by soldier teams from the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command and active U.S. Army Divisions, according to Gen. Paul J. Kern, commander of the U.S. Army Materiel Command.

Evaluators judged the entries based on their impact on Army capabilities, potential benefit outside the Army and their inventiveness.

Each of the winning teams will receive a glass trophy and a Department of the Army certificate during the June 23 ceremony at the Hilton in McLean, Va.

G-8 Summit: Stay Safe

Over 10,000 protesters will be in and around the Savannah and Brunswick areas for the G-8 Summit in the first few weeks of June. Due to the number of protesters, the environment can become dangerous, volatile and unpredictable.

Possible violent protest day tactics

- **Trojan Horses** which are colorful carts that are used to conceal hidden items that may include weapons or explosives.
- **Projectiles** including rocks, paving stones, bottles, batteries, billiard and golf balls, nuts and bolts and any other projectiles.
- **CS (tear gas)** canisters and pepper spray
- **Containers** filled with water, gasoline, urine, blood, ammonia, bleach and battery acid.
- **Smoke bombs**, hose bombs and fireworks
- **Molotov Cocktails** (flammable liquids in glass bottles)
- **Vandalism** and graffiti



Safety measures for Soldiers in the area

- **Use common sense** so you don't put your family or yourself in a dangerous situation.
- **Avoid areas** where large crowds of demonstrators are assembled.
- **If caught** in an area where protesters are, avoid conflict and keep a low profile.
- **If you are traveling** in the area, make sure your vehicle is in good working condition and has a full tank of gas.
- **Have a cell phone** handy in case of an emergency.
- **Expect traffic** to be backed up.
- **Avoid road rage** against protesters and law enforcement.
- **Fast food restaurants** and large stores in the area could be targets by protesters.



New MRE drink pouches to be fielded

ARNEWS

Special to The Frontline

NATICK, Mass. — Pouches that can be resealed may soon change the way troops drink in the field.

Drink pouches developed at the U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center in Natick, Mass., in partnership with packaging companies, allow warfighters to pour water into a package holding a powder mix, shake and consume the beverage from the opening. If they want to save some for a little later, the plastic zipper seal holds it in.

Often they didn't bother preparing a beverage in a separate container. Field data showed that about half of the Soldiers are not consuming the Meal, Ready-to-Eat or MRE beverage base mix because of the inconvenience of using and cleaning the canteen cup, said Lauren Milch, a physical scientist at Combat Feeding who managed package development. Pouring the mix into a canteen full of water is prohibited according to Army doctrine, so the packages are frequently thrown away unopened.

The 12-ounce beverage pouch is the first project of the Individual Combat Ration Team's Improved Packaging for Combat Rations program aimed at reducing packaging and increasing consumption,

said Vicki Loveridge, a senior food technologist and project officer for improved packaging.

She said including a resealable plastic bag was a partial solution, but the drink pouch takes care of everything by replacing the current dry mix package with a disposable drinking vessel.

Originally intended to replace the MRE beverage base mix, the beverage pouches could be used for any of the military ration beverages or liquid foods, such as dairy shakes. For hot cappuccino or cocoa, the pouch was designed to fit into the flameless ration heater.

A rectangular drink pouch with a plastic zipper was evaluated in 1991, but it was shelved because the cost was considered "extravagant" at 25 cents apiece, Loveridge said.

In the last three years researchers developed prototype pouches with a non-reclosable tear-off spout, reclosable sports-type pull cap and a twist-off cap that were studied along with the final package design.

"We wanted something reusable, and they didn't want or need (a pouch) to stand up, just a way to set it down," Loveridge said. "The extra expense of a stand-up pouch was unnecessary, and it's a harder pouch to keep from cracking."

In the first evaluation with a twist-off

cap pouch in 2001, 91 percent of the troops consumed their beverages, but the twist-off cap was too bulky and expensive. The latest prototype has a tear-off portion just above a resealable interlocking plastic zipper on top and slight hourglass shape for easy holding.

"What's very different from what you see at the grocery store is the zipper with a multi-laminate foil and three-year shelf life requirement," Loveridge said. "It's difficult to incorporate a zipper without compromising the foil."

With four studies already showing substantial percentage increases in the number of troops using the beverage pouch, another field test is scheduled to determine how warfighter performance improves with increased hydration.

An order of 7,000 beverage pouches has been placed for two Combat Feeding developmental products, the Remote Unit Self Heated Meal and First Strike Ration, according to Loveridge. An electrolyte-based drink powder beverage pouch was approved for four varieties of the 2004 MRE menu and could be fielded as soon as September.

"The drink pouch is something they really need, and it's designed to add minimal cost," Milch said. "We hope it takes off in popularity like the mini bottles of Tabasco sauce and flameless ration heater."

Don't be a terrorist target!

You can reduce your vulnerability of becoming a terrorist target.

When traveling by airplane:

- Do not fly on a flight targeted by terrorists.
- Report suspicious or unusual activity.
- Do not fly in uniform or with military luggage.
- Sit in the middle or rear portion of the airplane.
- If your airplane is hijacked, don't say or do anything, follow the instructions of your rescuers.

Mail safety, be aware of:

- Unexpected mail.
- Postmark or return address missing.
- Unusual handwriting
- Excessive weight or size.
- Inflexibility.
- Springiness.
- Protruding wires.
- Odd Smell.
- Grease marks.
- Excessive Post.
- Metal inside.