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“18 Holes of Safety Stand-Down” - Grand Champions, 15 May 09

To kick off the Summer Safety Season, the 407th Brigade Commander, COL Rebecca W. Jones and the 407th AFSB hosted an unprecedented training event that accomplished two of the commander’s critical training objectives: “Improve Safety Awareness” and “Teambuilding.” The event was titled the “18 Holes of Safety Stand-Down” at The Courses of Clear Creek, on Fort Hood, May 15. Safety and teambuilding activities were incorporated to accommodate the entire workforce. For personnel who may not have an aptitude for playing golf, a unique twist was added – Nintendo Wii Golf. The 407th workforce formed eight, two-to-six member teams, consisting of indi-



(1 to r) Mr. Stephen Lockridge, SGT Michiko Greene, SFC Mary Mitchell, Ms. D. A. Jamieson, COL Rebecca Jones (award presenter), Mr. William Cook, and Frank Mitchell (not in photo)



viduals playing “live golf,” playing “Wii virtual golf,” or serving as golf cart drivers. To level the playing field between the golfers and non-golfers, teams had to correctly answer an 18-question safety test focused on the Army Sustainment Command (ASC) and 407th AFSB Summer Safety Plans,

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“18 Holes of Safety Stand-Down” - Grand Champions (cont)

as well as the brigade’s results from a recent Army Readiness Assessment. Other factors used to determine the overall winning team included earning bonus points by submitting certificates from mandatory safety training courses by each team member. The event was organized and arranged by the brigade’s Acquisition and Technology (A&T) team, comprised of LTC Ray Jimenez, MAJ Mike Cherry, MAJ Mat Guerrie (Brigade Additional Duty Safety Officer), and MAJ Brian Stehle. While this event took a couple months to plan and countless hours to orchestrate, MAJ Guerrie said he was “glad

that everyone came out to participate and had a great time while supporting the brigade Safety Stand-Down.” “It was a great and well put-together event for the 407th,” said SGT Michiko Greene, who was on the overall winning team. “I had a great time and built great camaraderie with everyone who was out there.” In keeping with both the Army Sustainment Command and III Corps Commanding Generals’ intent, this venue provided



Mr. Drew (Bear) Bermea & Mr. Ryan Johnson

for increased safety awareness for summer and increased morale within the 407th AFSB team.



Best Mii Look Alikes—Ms. Chien Bommarito & LTC Ray Jimenez



**Best Golf Score (Golf):
Romeo Montez**

**Closest to the Pin (Golf):
Bud Sperling**



- Over All Best Score:**
D. A. Jamieson, William Cook III, Steven Lockridge, SFC Mary Mitchell, Frank Mitchell, SGT Michiko Greene
- Longest Drive (Golf):**
Ryan Johnson
- Longest Drive (Safety):**
Candy Akers
- Closest to the Pin (Golf):**
Bud Sperling
- Closest to the Pin (Safety):**
Helen Baines
- Best Golf Score (Golf):**
Romeo Montez/Jim Gilbert
- Best Golf Score (Wii):**
Helen Baines & Jen Guzis
- Best '18 Holes' Safety Test:**
D. A. Jamieson, William Cook III, Steven Lockridge, SFC Mary Mitchell, Frank Mitchell, SGT Michiko Greene
- 'Sasquatch' Biggest Golf Footprint:**
COL Rebecca W. Jones
- Safest Golf Cart Driver:**
MAJ Ben Powers
- Best Look-alike Mii:**
Chien Bommarito



BRIGADE SPOTLIGHT

MR. EDWARD PEREZ RECEIVES 2008 LOUIS DELLAMONICA AWARD

The Army Material Command selected ten employees who stood out as model employees as this year's recipients for the 2008 Louis Dellamonica Award. Mr. Edward Perez, U.S. Army CECOM Life Cycle Management Command was one of the ten outstanding employees who competed against other AMC employees for this prestigious honor. The 2008 Louis Dellamonica Award recipients were honored at a Retirement and Recognition Ceremony held 1 May 2009 at the AMC Headquarters, Fort Belvoir Virginia. Mr. Perez attended the ceremony at Fort Belvoir where General Ann E. Dunwoody, AMC Commanding General presented an engraved plaque and a congratulatory note to the 2008 Louis Dellamonica Award recipients.

The nominees are judged on how their initiatives measurably improve their work environment and AMC's mission, how they motivate and inspire fellow employees to improve or increase the quality of their own work, and how well they are viewed by peers, subordinates, and superiors. Ten out of 60,000 AMC employees are given the award annually, due to their performance. The award is named after retired Department of Defense Electrical Engineer Louis Dellamonica, who was the oldest and longest serving employee. He served for 65 years and retired Jan. 2, 2007, at the age of 94.



Mr. Jerome Blackman receives the Commander's Civilian Service Award from the 407th AFSB Deputy to the Commander Mr. Stephen W. Lockridge.

Mr. Jerome Blackman received a Commander's Civilian Service Award in recognition and appreciation for his hard work to the brigade's mission. Mr. Blackman accepted a position with the For Hood Directorate of Public Works (DPW). Best wishes from all of us as you pursue exciting new opportunities working with the DPW.

FIVE HISTORICAL FIGURES (DEAD OR ALIVE) YOU WOULD INVITE TO DINNER? SEND YOUR RESPONSE TO:
 HOOD.407AFSBCW.S3@conus.army.mil, with a email subject line NEWSLETTER-HISTORICAL FIGURES which will be posted in the next bi-monthly newsletter.



“Don't argue for other people's weaknesses. Don't argue for your own. When you make a mistake, admit it, correct it, and learn from it-- immediately.”

--Stephen Covey--





SASCWatch Riders Safety Inspection, Check Ride, and Lunch at Mel's Burger

(By MAJ Mathew D. Guerrie Acquisition Corps Systems Integration Officer 407th AFSB)

As part of the Fort Hood and III Corps Safety Day on Friday, 29MAY09, members of the 407th AFSB



Cary Labrado secures his helmet straps before making the ride to Mel's Burger Joint.

Motorcycle Safety Program (aka "SASCWatch Riders" - a play on our office symbol of ASCW) conducted a monthly motorcycle safety inspection, check ride, and lunch. Six motorcyclists rallied at the brigade

headquarters and completed TCLOCS Inspections (the Motorcycle Safety Foundation trademark inspection that stands for Tires, Controls, Lights,

MAJ Guerrie uses a penny to check the tire trend depth.



Oil, Chassis, and Stands). Following a safety briefing, the riders traveled in stagger formation to Mel's Burger Joint in Copperas Cove to link up with 19 other brigade members, friends, and family members - to include the brigade commander, COL Becky Jones. Support the Soldier!

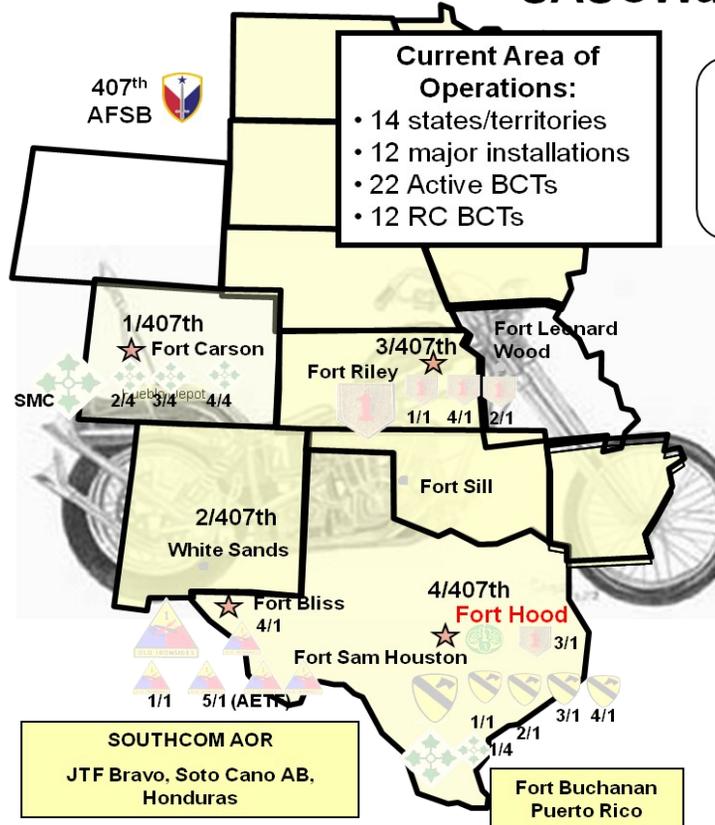


SASCWATCH Riders get ready to rollout..



Humm... which SASCWATCH Rider is the owner of this little Devil?

407th Army Field Support Brigade (AFSB) SASCWatch Riders



Wow!! Now that's a big footprint...



HAIL & FAREWELLS

Let's welcome the following new personnel that have recently joined or will join the brigade family:

HAILS—JUNE
LTC Camacho (LSE III Corps)
MAJ Knieriem 1-407th

HAILS—JULY
MAJ Burbey (3-407th)
MAJ Smith (1-407th)
MAJ Woodbury (LSE III Corps)

And conversely take a few moments to say good-bye and good luck to the following personnel leaving the brigade:

FAREWELLS—JUNE
Mr. Lockridge (PCS)
LTC Ransom (PCS)
MAJ Guerrie (PCS)

FAREWELLS—JULY
LTC Dickerson (End of Tour)
LTC Parker-Cooper (PCS)
LTC Taveau (Retirement)
MAJ Nochefranca (Retirement)
MAJ Knapp (PCS)



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS



(l to r) Ms. Lawson, Ms. Jefferson, & SGT Greene.



COL Jones assist SGT Greene while she cuts the Apr/May birthday cake with an Army Saber.

Please extend a warm happy birthday to our birthday boys and girls for the months of:

JUNE

- 3 Jun Alan Rogers
- 7 Jun LTC Horatio Sprague
- 10 Jun Anthony Fantacone
- 10 Jun Connie McQueene
- 10 Jun Brenda Winters
- 13 Jun MAJ Arthur Powers
- 24 Jun CW5 Mary Czuhajewski
- 25 Jun Herman Amarello
- 27 Jun Candy Akers
- 30 Jun MAJ Michael Cherry

JULY

- 4 Jul Richard Lipskey
- 4 Jul Patrick Post
- 9 Jul Stephen Gibbs
- 10 Jul Chien Bommarito
- 11 Jul MAJ Daniel Duncan
- 13 Jul MAJ Patrick Spaulding
- 23 Jul Helen Baines
- 24 Amelia Earhart's Birthday (1897)
- 25 Jul LTC James Farrell
- 28 Jul Eric Smith



Transformation of the Army begins with Educating the Army's Leaders.

From that first Army civilian and throughout our nation's history, civilians continue to play a vital role in supporting soldiers, providing many special and crucial skills necessary to support military operations. They provide the expertise and stabilization necessary to ensure the Army is successful in its warfighting mission. With the Army transformation, the word "revolution" is not too assertive to describe the magnitude of the transformation ahead for the Army Civilian Corps—as well as its

Transforming the Army's Civilian Workforce: A New Vision

Our Army is transforming the development and management of its Civilian Corps. We are asking more of our civilians today than ever—to lead our nation's Army through a diverse and complex environment—and we must give them the tools to meet these challenges.

Secretary of the Army Pete Geren, The Pentagon, 23 July 2008

requisite culture change. It is imperative to have quality civilians in leadership positions. Army civilians are being called upon to take on levels of responsibility that have traditionally been performed by military members. The changes in roles of civilians are so great that it is time to invest in this critical asset to build the necessary competencies and capabilities required to meet new leadership challenges. In an Association of the United States Army (AUSA) news special report, the executive deputy to the commanding general of the Army Materiel Command—Ms. Kathryn Condon shared her ideas on the value of the civilian "We Have to Grow our Civilians." That being said, the brigade is dedicated to educating and providing education

and training opportunities to all of our civilian workforce. There are several avenues that Army civilians can assert themselves for future success by taking advantage of education and training opportunities from a few of the following websites. Civilian Personnel On-Line website <http://www.cpol.army.mil/> provides a Training and Leader Development link, which offers access to information and tools to employees pertaining to training and leadership development. The Army Materiel Command Memorandum 350-2 Training Policy http://www.amc.army.mil/pa/officialcommand_pubs.asp outlines training opportunities for all employees. The Army Sustainment Command 'Journey to Leadership' program <https://www2.osc.army.mil/HR/JTL/> offers employees an opportunity to unlock hidden talents, open doors to new opportunities and help achieve some educational goals. US Army Garrison, Fort Hood offers a Civilian Leadership Development Program. To receive more information on the Civilian Leadership Program contact the Directorate of Human Resources (DHR) Workforce Development Office at 254-285-5543. As the Army institutionalizes the mindset of the "enterprise," striving to reach balance, sustain the force and meet the demands of national security in an era of persistent conflict, innovative and forward-thinking change will continue to be the order of the day. What are you waiting for? Get moving now. 

Major General Robert M. Radin Notable Quote.

"Knowledge + Experience = Wisdom."

407th AFSB HOST BONE MARROW REGISTRATION DRIVE: - 4 June 2009

Kudos to all of you who took the time to consider this very important step and register as a potential bone marrow donor. Being an organ donor of any kind is a truly selfless, generous, and giving act. Donors are always in demand because there are people out there who really need help, and are anxiously waiting for a compatible match. For them, these donations are the gifts of life. If you were unavailable to register during the Bone Marrow Drive last week, you still have an opportunity. Please see SGT Michiko Greene @ 254-287-5503 or contact the Bone Marrow Coordinator Mr. Jimmie L. Surles @ 254-288-5048 for further information. Thank you all again for your support. COL Rebecca W. Jones



UPCOMING SPECIAL EMPHASIS OBSERVANCES

JUNE

(Substance Abuse Prevention Month)

- 15—20 ASC Commander’s Conference
- 19 Annual Lampasas County Riata Roundup Rodeo
- 20 Temple Juneteenth Celebration Parade
- 21 Father’s Day
- 24 Jeane Isdale’s Dinner



JULY

- 2 Belton Rodeo Military Appreciation Night
- 3 Independence Day Observed
- 4 Independence Day Holiday
- 4 Belton Patriotic Ceremony
- 4 Grand Marshall Belton 4th July Parade
- 4 Freedom Fest Celebration
- 6 Training Holiday III Corps/AMC/ASC
- 11 Spring Ho Fest, Lampasas
- 14 Bastille Day (1789)
- 15 Change of Command (1-407th AFSBn/Ft Carson)
- 23—25 Jul US Army Soldier Show
- 24 Training Holiday III Corps (200 Days Fatality Free)

AUGUST

(Education Month)

- 5 Hood Howdy
- 6 America Drops the Bomb on Hiroshima
- 7 Training Holiday III Corps
- 12 407th AFSB Town Hall/Hail & Farewell
- 14 ASC Change of Command
- 21 Hawaii Becomes the 50th State
- 25 Women’s Equality Day Observance

SEPTEMBER

- 4 Training Holiday III Corps
- 7 Labor Day Holiday



17 Constitution Day (1787)

18 Rosh Hashanah

19 Food & Wine Festival in Harker Heights City Park

22 Hispanic Heritage Observance

27 Yom Kippur

OCTOBER

9 Training Holiday III Corps



12 Columbus Day

15 Annual National Disability Employment Awareness Month Program

31 Halloween

NOVEMBER



1 Daylights Saving Time Ends

10 National American Indian Heritage Observance

11 Veterans Day

DATE 407th AFSB Town Hall/Hail & Farewell

17 Nature in Lights Reception

26 Thanksgiving Day

27 Training Holiday

DECEMBER

1 Rosa Parks Day (1955)

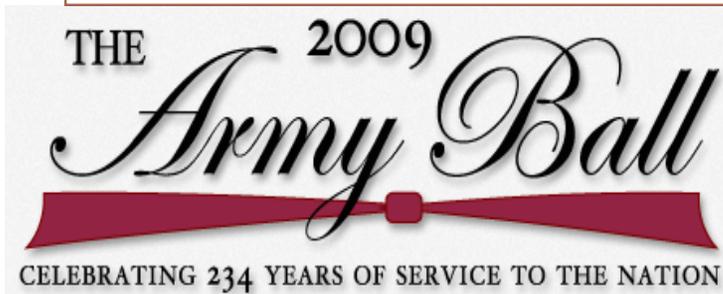


7 Japan Bombs Pearl Harbor (1941)

(T) 9 Spiritual Fitness Luncheon

22 Dec—3 Jan Christmas/New Year Holiday Period

NOTE: This list of upcoming special emphasis observances may or may not be all inclusive



“A Salute to NCOs—Backbone of the Army”

AMC Supports the Warfighter
 (by MAJ Jason K. Shepard, Deputy Cdr, 3-407th AFSBn)

On 18 May 2009, the 4th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (IBCT) of the 1st Infantry Division deployed to the National Training Center (NTC) at Ft. Irwin to conduct their capstone mission training exercise (MRX) in preparation to deploy to Iraq. They did not go alone. At NTC, like overseas, they are supported by a diverse group of military, civilian, and contract personnel from the Army Material Command (AMC), organized under the Logistical Support Element (LSE). This force of 83 personnel from various components of AMC provides supply, maintenance, and training assistance across all aspects of Army Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics. The team is lead by a core group, the Brigade Logistics Support Team (BLST), which is integrated into the 4 IBCT staff synchronizing AMC capabilities down to the lowest level. “The BLST is a combat multiplier,” said LTC Brian Cummings, the 4 IBCT Executive Officer, “they are key in keeping up our combat power. MAJ Charles Chapman, a 3-407th Army Field Support Battalion BLST Chief, leads the AMC team in 4IBCT focusing existing assets on brigade priorities and coordinating to bring in the resources necessary to support brigade operations. In addition, personnel from various AMC commands conduct formal and over the shoulder training throughout the rotation to ensure soldiers are fully trained and ready to operate in a hostile environment. “We’ve done everything from coordinate quick turn windshield live extensions for UH-60 Blackhawks to procure coolant for environmental control units (ECU),” said MAJ Chapman. “We do whatever we can to support the Dragon Brigade.” MAJ Chapman will deploy with 4 IBCT this summer to continue to coordinate AMC support throughout the brigade’s 12 month deployment to Iraq.



(l to r) CSM Patterson, MAJ Chapman, COL Jones, LTC Parker, Mr. Stroman at NTC (Jul 09)



Father’s Day is a celebration inaugurated in the early twentieth century to complement Mother’s Day in celebrating fatherhood and male parenting, and to honor and commemorate fathers and forefathers. Father’s Day is

celebrated on a variety of dates worldwide and typically involves gift-giving, special dinners to fathers, and family-oriented activities. Father’s Day in the United States generally falls the second Sunday in June. According to history statistics the origin of it’s foundation is unknown and unconfirmed. Some say that Father’s Day was born in the same state where Mother’s Day was founded, but that too hasn’t been confirmed. A Spokane, Washington woman named Mrs. Sonora Smart Dodd is alleged to have conceived the idea of Father’s Day while listening to a Mother’s Day sermon in 1909.

Sonora Dodd wanted to establish a day in honor of her father who she described as a Civil War hero who had sacrificed a lot of years as a single father when he lost his wife in childbirth when she bore their 6th child. He was left to raise the baby and the other children by himself on a farm in eastern Washington. Sonora described her father as courageous and selfless. The first “official” date for Father’s Day was June 5th (the birthday of Sonora’s father), but her pastor advised that it was too soon to prepare a sermon appropriate to the occasion until the 19th. That became as the official date for Father’s Day. People celebrated with children making things and spending time with their fathers if they were in the home or living elsewhere.



(by Nafeesah Abdullah—May 07)



407th AFSB Critical Control and Command Facilities

(by Ms. Kim Tully, 407th AFSB Facility Engineer—Honeywell Technology Solutions Inc.)

The AFSBn at Ft Bliss, 2/407th, is settled in their renovated building in the center of the post. “The new facility’s conference room provides a professional atmosphere when conducting meetings and conferences with other agencies,” notes the battalion commander, LTC Irene Dickerson. “This has given us more legitimacy when interacting with other commands. The



Fort Bliss Bldg 504 (Photo by Ms. Kim Tully)

layout has been beneficial in facilitating more interaction among staff and other agencies.” At Fort Riley, the 3-407 Army Field Support Battalion completed their move

into the historic building 406 on 08 May 2009. “Great work by the Riley Team in renovating building 406. They did a great job for us,” said MAJ Jason Shepard, the Deputy Commander of the AFSBn. Construction continues at Ft Hood on buildings that will support the III Corps Logistics



Bldg 406, part of historic main post of Fort Riley, Kansas (Photo by Ms. Kim Tully)

Support Element (LSE) and one of the 1st Cavalry Division (1CD) BLSTs. Three more buildings are in



Future Logistic Support Element Bldg at Fort Hood, TX (Apr 09) Photo by Fred Chizek, 4-407th AFSBn Facility Engineer Honeywell Technology Solutions, Inc.

the planning stage to support the rest of the 1CD BLSTs. This will help clear the WWII wood buildings the BLSTs are currently using.



The ASC Commander, MG Robert Radin visited the newly constructed LSE bldg during a Fort Hood Brigade site visit (11 June 09)

Fund Sweep

Every year, ASC (and most large headquarters) "sweep" unobligated funds together. This allows the headquarters to fill shortfalls in other places with the "unused" money. 28 July is the day that ASC will sweep back funds from units. Therefore, make sure your purchase requests are in and your money is obligated (spoken for) before 28 July. More to follow from the S8, but plan out the uses for your budgeted money. We have already had a data call to ask what first quarter, FY 2010, requirements can be filled now. Expect other data calls until the end of the fiscal year. The prepared unit has a batch of legitimate, justified requirements ready to drop when funds shake loose. (by Jim Farrell, LTC, Acquisition Corps/Special Forces, Brigade Executive Officer, Acting S2/Security and Intelligence)



To the 407th Team,

I would like to thank all of you for all you do for the 407th AFSB and our nation. Supporting our soldiers is priority one, but we also need to work to sustain ourselves for the long haul, as this period of persistent conflict continues. So, as I leave for my new position as the LAP Director at Rock Island Arsenal, I challenge you to work together, sharing lessons learned, focusing on the positive and help put down negative energy where ever you find it. The last 32 months have been very educational and rewarding. You all have contributed greatly to the success of this

Brigade and some have been at it longer than I. Many of you I'd known from previous positions/stations in the Army and now I know even more professionals, all dedicated to supporting the soldier. I thank AMC and ASC for providing me opportunities with these challenging positions that enhance my ability to support the soldier and to work with such professionals as you. I am very proud to have served with you and the accomplishments we've made. I'm sure you will provide the same exceptional support to the in-coming Deputy that you gave me. Finally, I leave you with the Army Civilian CORPS Creed below. Please read each word carefully and hold yourself true to them. God bless each of you, God bless America and Support the Soldier.

Steve Lockridge



Mr. Lockridge received a Brigade farewell plaque presented by COL Jones at his Farewell Luncheon held at Ryan's Restaurant 10 June 2009.

Army Civilian Corps Creed

I am an Army Civilian—a member of the Army Team. I am dedicated to our Army, our Soldiers and Civilians. I will always support the mission. I provide stability and continuity during war and peace. I support and defend the Constitution of the United States and consider it an honor to serve our Nation and our Army. I live the Army values of Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity and Personal Courage. I am an Army Civilian.



REMEMBERING OUR DEPLOYED CO-WORKERS

JUN DEPLOYERS:

MAJ Robert Overgaard 2—407th
 Mark Combs JMC SCR
 Ralf Bargsten—CECOM 4—407th
 Josei Moultrie—TACOM 2—407th
 Ronnie Lawson—407th Bde
 Andrew Jones—CECOM 4-407th

JULY DEPLOYERS:

Denise Batchelor—JMC 2—407th
 Casandra Irvin—4-407th

JUN RE-DEPLOYERS:

MAJ Kevin Kelly LSE III Corps
 MAJ Aaron Barth 4-407th
 Thomas Torrey—TACOM 2-407th
 Jose Pena—CEOM 4-407th
 Clarence Reynolds—AMCOM 3-407th
 Bobby Chambers—TACOM 4-407th
 Glenn Smith—CECOM LST Ft Sill

JULY RE-DEPLOYERS:

Lewis Ehoff—TACOM 4-407th
 Tom Devine—AMCOM 4-407th
 Hal Dudley 4-407th
 Warren Ellis—AMCOM 4-407th
 Sol Talamoni—2-407th
 Scott Foster—TACOM 4-407th
 Charles Claxton—TACOM LSE III Corps
 John Hurtado 1-407th

ACHIEVEMENT

Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already mastered—you will never grow.

(Ronald E. Osborn)

Roseanne Says Goodbye as the Brigade FRG Coordinator

The Family Readiness Group is a command sponsored organization of all assigned Soldiers, DA Civilians, volunteers and their families. It provides mutual support and a network of communications among the family members, the chain of command and community resources. Take time to consider being a Family Readiness Group Coordinator. Training and Resources are available at the Oveta Culp Hobby Soldier and Family Readiness Center, Bldg. 18000 Battalion Ave. They will take you through the process of being a prepared FRG Leader. I learned a great deal attending these courses and received many resource documents to support the families in the Ft. Hood area. Due to the uniqueness of our Brigade and the number of DA civilians and Soldiers our FRG is considered self sufficient. Regular tasks of an FRG Coordinator are: maintaining the FRG Notebooks; updating rosters, appointment letters and fund accounts; keeping in contact with the FRG Leaders for the Battalions and obtaining updates for the town hall meetings and; volunteering to set up an occasional potluck or Christmas party to help familiarize families with the FRG and to socialize. The Family Readiness Group membership is automatic but participation is voluntary. Though I must resign my position due to PCS, I will be available for any guidance I can provide to whomever steps forward to assist this Brigade. It is an important link in the chain that supports 407th AFSB. I will miss being a part of this and its growth through the years.

Sincerely,
 Roseanna Lockridge



COL Jones presents Mrs. Lockridge the "Yellow Rose of Texas" in appreciation for her hard work and support to the Brigade.



“Is there a file compression program that will help me squeeze 12 hours of work into an 8 hour schedule?”



“Support the Soldier”

REBECCA W. JONES
COL, LG
Commanding

Santa’s Workshop

Santa's Workshop and Outback Steakhouse are hosting "Christmas in July" the major fundraiser for Santa's Workshop sponsored by the 13th Expeditionary Sustainment Command. SWS has been helping thousands of Military Families on Fort Hood provide Christmas for their children.



Christmas in July will be Wednesday 16 July at the Outback Steakhouse, Killeen. Tickets will be available on Wednesday (17 June) at \$15.00 each, seats fill up quickly. If you are interested please contact SFC Mary Mitchell via email: mary.a.aviles@us.army.mil or 287-7161 The Brigade has 20 tickets during the time of 11:00-12:15. The lunch will be buffet style, menu is steak, chicken, vegetable, salad, and drink. Stop on by “Mate” and get your tickets while they last. (Additional tickets may become available for the 12:45—1400 time)

Summer (May—Aug) Peak Season for Military and Civilian Rotation Moves

Summer is upon us, and as we continue to work hard, take time for our families now that school is out, and focus on safety, there is one more critical happening that comes every summer. This is the summer Permanent Change of Station (PCS) cycle and we have members of both the military and civilian workforce leaving. Summer is when the Army typically moves military people to new assignments. The Logistics Assistance Program (LAP) workforce moves year round, either to deployments or

to new jobs in the LAP. To those rotating out, be sure to work on your continuity files so your replacement can learn and continue the fantastic support this brigade provides to the Warfighter. And to those not rotating out, ensure that your colleagues who are leaving pass their important files and due-outs to you so you can keep up your work. To all—have a safe and healthy summer.

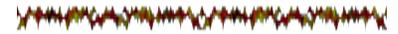
(by Jim Farrell, LTC, Acquisition Corps/ Special Forces, Brigade Executive Officer, Acting S2/Security and Intelligence)

Newsletter Trivia Answers



WHO AM I?

A: General John Bell Hood.



Cyptoquote of the month. CGF TXAXD BEAX E LXSGDJ SBETSX KG WEMX E HGGJ NZDLK ZWUDXLLZGT. - PKH PCTSB (Hint: E = A) A: You never have a second chance to make a first impression (LTG Lynch, III Corps Commander)

KUDOS to Steve Shingeldecker for being the first person to decipher the code correctly.



Test Your Knowledge! The Year of the Noncommissioned Officer. What are the four base initiative focuses for “The Year of the NCO?”

A: Education, Fitness, Leadership, and Pride. WHOAA!

Newsletter Submission Guidelines:

In order to ensure that our newsletter is valuable and timely, I have compiled the following guidelines for brigade members making a contribution.

(1) The goal is for the newsletter to be published on a bi-monthly basis by noon on the first Thursday of the month, with the understanding that the schedule may need to be adjusted slightly during certain months because of holidays or other scheduling conflicts. (In those instances, I will ensure that the content providers still have adequate time to prepare submissions.)

(2) The newsletter will contain only official information. This means that advertisements for private gain will not be accepted, nor any other information that could benefit a private organization outside the military community.

(3) The newsletter will not contain any information covered under the provisions of the privacy act (such as home phone numbers unless prior approval from an individual using ASC Form 25-4 Emergency Notification, Jan 08).

(4) The purpose of the newsletter is to: Provide an additional method to disseminate information to Soldiers, Civilians, and Family Members concerning unit activities. Items sought for publication are any type of information that would be of interest to most members of the "Support the Soldier" audience.

(5) If you have something of interest, you wish to share with "Support the Soldier" audience, **input is due NLT 27 July for the August/September newsletter publication.** Announcements sent later than 5p.m. on 27 July will not make publication for the next newsletter.

(6) Content providers are solely responsible for their content, with the content being as long or as short as they deem appropriate. (generally one or two paragraphs per article) The Staff Action Officer reserves the right to edit all submissions for style, brevity, and clarity.

(7) Please transmit submissions via e-mail to HOOD.407AFSBCW.S3@conus.army.mil, with a email subject line NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION (Example: NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION AUG/SEP), (Microsoft Word formatted file, Constantia 12pt). When using acronyms, spell-out the first time being used. Submit high-resolution digital photos 500,000, 750,000 or more as attachments. Provide Photo cut-lines, which identifies the people in the photo, equipment and other subjects. The cut-line should also describe the action and provide background information along with the date of when the photo was taken. The best way to remember what to write in the cut-line:

Photo by Cynthia M. Caughman
SGT John Doe and SPC Tom Range load an MK-19 grenade machinegun onto a humvee
in the War fighter competition (12 Jun 09)

(8) Please include point of contact to get in touch with you if needed to ask for further details on your contribution. Unless you request otherwise, we will identify you as the contributor of the article.

We hope to see submissions from you. Constructive feedback is welcomed on any improvements and changes to the information provided and/or format reference this brigade newsletter.

If you have any questions or comments, then please contact me. Editions are printed and posted to the 407th AFSB AKO web site and shared server. **Items in this newsletter are listed randomly.**

