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## Scout reports

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### 2002 CFC to kick off

The 2002 Combined Federal Campaign for Fort Huachuca and Cochise County will begin Tuesday. This year's campaign will run through Nov. 6.

The theme for this year's campaign is "Your gift, your reason - A contribution brings out the hero in you."

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Tricia Kelley, CFC coordinator at 940-0219 or email [afsgqhxo@hqasc.army.mil](mailto:afsgqhxo@hqasc.army.mil).

### Hispanic Heritage Month

The U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca will host its Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sept. 27 at Murr Community Center.

The theme for this year's observance is "Strength in Unity, Faith, and Diversity." Nogales, Ariz. Mayor Marco Lopez Jr., will be the keynote speaker of the event.

There will be a variety of entertainment, cultural displays and free food sampling.

For more information call Post Equal Opportunity: 533-1717/5305, Army Signal Command 538-0909, 112th Military Intelligence Brigade 538-0533, 111th Military Intelligence Brigade 533-3672, 11th Signal Brigade 533-5202 or Master Sgt. Shirley J. McKnight-Gullatt at 538-0909.

### POW/MIA recognition

The Installation Staff Chaplain's Office sponsors a recognition ceremony at the Main Post Chapel Friday, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. The service will remember those who suffered as POWs and the families of those listed as Missing in Action.

Many former Prisoners of War of the area will be present for recognition and to speak to attendees. Displays and light food will be in the chapel activities room following the 45-minute ceremony.

All community and post personnel are invited to attend. Military dress is duty uniform. For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) Dennis R. Nitschke, at 533-4755.

### Legal Education program

The Office of The Judge Advocate General is now accepting applications for the Army's Funded Legal Education Program.

Under this program, the Army projects sending up to 15 active duty commissioned officers to law school at government expense if funding permits.

Selected officers will attend law school beginning in the Fall of 2003 and will remain on active duty while attending law school.

Interested officers should review Chapter 14, AR 27-1 (The Judge Advocate General's Funded Legal Education Program) to determine their eligibility.

This program is open to commissioned officers in the rank of second lieutenant through captain.

Applicants must have at least two but not more than six years of total active Federal service at the time legal training begins. Eligibility is governed by statute and is non-waivable.

Interested officers should contact Delores Morales at 533-2095 for more information.

## Solemn tribute



Photo by Spc. Vince Gothard

Old Glory stands alone at half mast following the Fort Huachuca United In Freedom observance marking the one-year anniversary of the Sept. 11 attack on America. For more photos, see Page 4.

## Fort Huachuca remembers 9-11 one year later

By Sgt. Jessica Inigo  
Time Out Editor

A year ago soldiers and civilians solemnly waited in their cars in lines for hours outside the gates of Fort Huachuca in shock as they listened in horror to the attack on America.

This year, the only waiting the soldiers of Fort Huachuca had to do came as they formed up for the command to march on to Chaffee Parade Field amidst a sea of patriotism and empathy for the Sept. 11 one-year anniversary.

Nearly 1,000 soldiers, as well as airmen, Marines and sailors, formed on Chaffee Parade Field at 6:30 a.m., to remember and honor the victims and heroes of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Brig. Gen. James "Spider" A. Marks, commanding general of the U.S. Army In-

telligence Center and Fort Huachuca, embraced the formation and made remarks just prior to the lowering of the flag to half-staff.

"There are no guarantees. We have no clue where we're going to be tomorrow," Marks said in his address to the audience members as well as the servicemembers on the field.

For this reason Marks stressed the importance of family, soldiering, and pure life.

"Resolve to leave what it is you do today better than when you got here," Marks said.

He recognized the soldiers of Fort Huachuca who have deployed to help fight the Global War on Terrorism and have already returned.

The ceremony included the ringing of the bells, done by the Fort Huachuca Fire Department, as well as participation in the worldwide moment of silence.

The moment of silence was part of a larger day of commemoration undertaken by the Department of Defense, which began at 9:30 a.m. EST at the "Phoenix Project" site - the rebuilt section of the Pentagon that was destroyed last year.

The flag that was unfurled by members of the Fort Huachuca Select Honor Guard was solemnly saluted as the 36th Army Band played the National Anthem.

"We came here as a family to honor those who have fallen and those who serve. We are also here to support those who fight for us every day and to remember those who didn't make it out," said Shannon Tooley, who attended the ceremony with her sons, Brendan, 5, and Kurtis, 7. "The day it happened, I let my children see bits and pieces of what happened and I simply told them that 'Some bad men did it.' My children are aware of why we are here."

## TeamTalk

**Brig. Gen James "Spider" A. and Marty Marks**

The commitment and pride of our Fort Huachuca soldiers, civilians, and family members were certainly evident last week at our Sept. 11 morning "United in Freedom" ceremony here on post and at the evening commemoration in Sierra Vista. Thank you all for your participation, for your dedication to the U.S. Army, and for your determination to fight the global war on terrorism.

Don't forget that tomorrow is our POW/MIA recognition. I hope to see you all early in the morning at Chaffee Parade Field for the annual POW/MIA walkathon, which begins at 6 a.m. Later that day (11:30 a.m.), there will be a special POW recognition service and fellowship at the Main Post Chapel. We encourage you all to attend and remember those brave Americans who sacrificed their freedom and, in many cases, their lives while fighting for our right to be free.

Next week we mark the kick-off of the annual Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), which runs until Nov. 6. I want to ensure that every individual on this installation is given the opportunity to participate in this great program that helps provide a wide-range of assistance to so many people. For reservations to the kick-off luncheon, Sept. 24 at the LakeSide, or for more information on the CFC, call 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Kelley, our campaign chairperson and point of contact, at 940-0219.

Marty and I hope you all have had the chance to participate in the outstanding Parent University program hosted by Army Community Service. There is always a wide range of topics presented in this series of classes designed to help make good parents better. Everyone can benefit from learning new skills to help with issues involving children, spouses, finances, and other family matters. Thanks to all the hard-working folks at ACS for putting together this great program for our community.

Speaking of parents and children... Marty and I can't stress enough how important it is for parents to get involved in their children's education. Each school

has a Parent Teacher Organization, site council, or booster club, and they all need volunteers. This is a great way to keep your finger on the pulse of your child's education (especially since those of us who are parents know how hard it sometimes is to find out directly from your child what is "really" going on at school). The schools definitely appreciate the help, as well. Just contact your school to see what opportunities they have for you to help out.



Water usage on Fort Huachuca continues to drop, and we thank each and every one of you for your hard work in supporting our conservation efforts. While we've been enjoying some much-needed rain, we're not out of the drought. We have some wonderful old trees up here that are still stressed by the lack of natural rainfall, and they need our help. Please take some time each week to hand-water the trees in your yard. Just make sure the hose is not left unattended and that the water is soaking into the ground under each tree's drip line and not running down the street. With your help in this area, we can keep our trees healthy yet maintain our strong conservation measures and continue to be good stewards of our environment.

Finally, we would like to take a minute to thank the men and women who spend countless hours volunteering as the cavalrymen and women's auxiliary members in B Troop, 4<sup>th</sup> U.S. Cavalry (Memorial). In addition to always providing such an exciting finale to our changes of commands here on Fort Huachuca, this unit travels far and wide presenting a colorful glimpse into the past while promoting our Army's heritage and traditions. If you are interested in becoming a B Trooper or ladies' auxiliary member, don't hesitate to contact Maj. Zimmerman at 533-0152 or see the unit out at Buffalo Corral.

As always, we marvel at the multitude of skills and amount of dedication shown by all of you here on Fort Huachuca – soldiers, family members, civilians, contractors, and retirees – that make this an assignment of choice and truly a community of excellence. Our sincerest thanks to you all.

## Commander's Hotline

### Call:

I'm calling in regard to the commissary parking. I would think that it would be possible, at the end of each row toward the commissary, to paint either a letter or a number so that, when we come out of the commissary, it'd be a little easier to find our car. The cars are parked kind of irregularly in there, and it gets a little hard to find.

### Response:

The Directorate of Installation Support has completed an assessment of the caller's request. DIS will install "A", "B", "C" and "D" signs etc. on existing commissary light poles to provide a customer parking reference for locating their vehicles in the Commissary parking lot.

**Tom Borer, Executive Officer**  
Directorate of Installation Support

## Hispanic Heritage Month

1. During the period of Sept. 15 through Oct. 15, our Nation will celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. This year's National theme is "Strength in Unity, Faith, and Diversity." National Hispanic Heritage Month provides us an opportunity to express deep appreciation to Hispanic Americans for their countless contributions to our society and to pay tribute again to America's distinctive diversity.



Graphic by Angelica Pequeño

2. Our American society embraces a remarkable breadth of cultures, and Hispanic Americans are an integral part of this diversity. The vibrant Hispanic influence can be seen in all aspects of American life and culture, from distinctive cuisine to colorful festivals to the rhythms and melodies of traditional music. Many Hispanic Americans continue to make contributions to our American society, such as Cruz Reynoso, a man who has devoted his life to promoting civil rights and championing equal opportunity for all people, and has also served on the California Supreme Court. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, who at 7 years old fled from Cuba with her family, in 1989 became the first Hispanic woman and first Cuban American to be elected to the US Congress. In our Armed Forces there was Luis Esteves who organized the first Puerto Rico National Guard, and rose through the ranks of the US Army to become a distinguished Brigadier General.

3. Even as Hispanic Americans grow in number and influence around the country, they have not forgotten their roots. Instead, millions of courageous and compassionate Hispanic American men and women across our country are working to create a just and equal society, uniting to build One America in this new century.

4. I look forward to seeing you at this year's planned events and encourage you to celebrate and remember the many contributions and sacrifices of Hispanic Americans to our Nation, and American society.

*James A. Marks*

**James A. Marks**  
Brigadier General,  
USA Commanding

## Scout on the Street

**With the Army paying 100% tuition beginning October, has that motivated you to finish your education?**



*My future plans are to attend Harvard Law school and the Army's new plan will financially support me through those three years of law school.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Betty Simbert,**  
304<sup>th</sup> Military Intelligence Battalion



*My school has been paid for through a ROTC scholarship but if I qualify, I will use it to get my Masters.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Darren Hearn,**  
Company C,  
304<sup>th</sup> MI Bn.



*I don't have any immediate plans but hopefully it's something I can take advantage of in the future.*

**Spc. Leanna McGuire,**  
Company A,  
86<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion



*I plan on starting school in October; it has definitely motivated me.*

**Spc. Wilson Hayes,**  
Company A,  
40<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion



*Before it was 75 percent, now I am going to start school in October. Right now I am trying to go to Officer Candidate School and you need college to be accepted.*

**Pvt. John C. Harrigan,**  
269<sup>th</sup> Signal Company



*It's about time the Army starts paying for soldiers' education. Before it was on a limited basis and only available to certain ranks.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Chris Gaddy,**  
304<sup>th</sup> MI Bn.

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# CFC

Combined Federal Campaign gives both military, civilian employees unique way to help those in need

By Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Donald Sparks  
NCOIC, USAIC&FH PAO

The concept of charity is as old as civilization itself and for that reason the Combined Federal Campaign exists to help fellow human beings in need.

The CFC offers federal employees and soldiers the opportunity to help others in an easy, safe and worry-free manner.

The mission of the CFC is to support and to promote philanthropy through a cost-effective program providing federal employees the opportunity to improve the quality of life for all.

Using this year's theme "Your gift, your reason - A contribution brings out the hero in you," the 2002 Arizona Combined Federal Campaign remains the easiest and most cost-effective way for donors to give to charities of their choice.

The campaign officially kicks off Tuesday and will end in November.

Last year, the Arizona CFC raised \$1,309,325, a 17.2 percent increase from the year before.

More than 2,000 soldiers and civilian employees raised \$341,858, an increase of 19.6 percent from 2001 contributions. The average contribution per person was \$158.

The same spirit of giving is needed even more according to 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Tricia Kelley, post CFC officer.

"For more than 40 years CFC has enabled millions of federal employees to help improve the quality of people's

lives locally, nationally, and internationally," Kelley said.

Kelley also said part of the success of the CFC stems from the screening process charities undergo, and mostly it's in direct testimony to the generosity and team spirit of soldiers and civilians that make up the federal government.

Of the approximately 1,800 federations, agencies and charities that the CFC assists all have undergone extensive screening by either the U.S. Office of Personnel Management or the Local Federal Coordinating Committee.

Organized through the United Way, the CFC ensures those charities will be not-for-profit and details how much of every dollar received actually goes to those the donations were meant to assist, and how much goes towards administration costs.

Some examples of well-known organizations that are available for donations include Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America, American Public Radio and The United Negro College Fund.

There are literally hundreds of other national organizations available.

Local organiza-

tions include Fort Huachuca Youth Services, Fort Huachuca Widowed Support Group/Center, and the Fort Huachuca Cavalry Association, Inc.

Summarizing the importance of giving to CFC, Kelley recited a scripture from Proverbs 19:17, which states, "He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward him for what he has done."

"To give is an opportunity," Kelley said. "An opportunity to heal, to educate, to feed, to shelter, and to be kind."



Combined Federal Campaign

## New stop-loss gives soldiers chance to separate

By Staff Sgt. Marcia Triggs  
Army News Service

Soldiers affected by Stop-Loss will now be allowed to request voluntary separation from the Army under a new policy released Sept. 5.

The first increment of Stop-Loss was approved by Reginald Brown, the assistant secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs on Nov. 30 to retain the critical skills needed to support the War on Terrorism.

Under the new policy, soldiers will generally be subject to Stop-Loss for no more than 12 months — even though their military occupation specialty may remain affected by Stop-Loss in support of the global war on terrorism, said officials from the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, G1.

Enlisted soldiers under Stop-Loss can now voluntarily separate on the one-year anniversary of their original expiration of service or ETS date.

Officers and warrant officers, not retirement eligible, can apply to leave one year from the end of their original service obligation date. Officers and warrant officers who don't have a service obligation may request separation 12 months after they were first affected by Stop-Loss.

All retirement-eligible soldiers can apply for retirement one year from their original retirement eligibility date (defined as 20 years active federal service) or one year from when Stop-Loss took effect if the soldier was retirement eligible on the effective date of Stop-Loss.

Enlisted soldiers serving on an indefinite enlistment can apply to be separated 12 months from the date they became subject to Stop-Loss.

The most recent policy does not supersede Stop-Loss 4, which was approved on June 4 with an effective date of June 19, G1 officials said.

The new 12-month policy supplements Stop-Loss 4, officials added. Stop-Loss 4 kept about 260 soldiers on active duty who had potential separation or retirement dates

between now and Sept. 30, and it released another 370 who had been impacted by previous Stop-Loss decisions. The total number of active-duty soldiers affected by Stop-Loss during this fiscal year has been 2,900.

An expiration date for the Stop-Loss program cannot be determined at this time, G1 officials said. The Army will continue to evaluate and review the need to further expand or contract the Stop-Loss program, based on operational necessity, on a monthly basis, G1 officials said. Presently, no additional military occupational specialties have been added to Stop-Loss, nor have any been lifted.

The majority of the soldiers affected by Stop-Loss at this time are: military intelligence, special operations, aviators and military policemen. For more information on what MOSs remain on the list of critical skills see [www.odcsper.army.mil/directorates/mp/stoploss](http://www.odcsper.army.mil/directorates/mp/stoploss).

"After seven months, the time has come to provide more predictability for when Stop-Loss will be lifted with respect to individual soldiers," said G1 officials. "Stop-Loss was not designed to preclude soldiers from voluntarily separating or retiring from the Army for an indefinite period of time."

Currently mobilized reserve-component soldiers do not fall under the Stop-Loss program. However, guidance on a unit-based Stop-Loss program is currently being drafted to cover the reserve components, G1 officials said.

"For the active-component soldier, Stop-Loss is based on skill. Under the guidance being drafted, mobilized units can be kept indefinitely under Stop-Loss regardless of military occupational specialty," officials said.

Stop-Loss does not affect soldiers being processed for involuntary administrative separation under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. Nor does it affect, in most cases, soldiers facing mandatory retirement, those being processed for physical disability or pending separation for the convenience of the government, G1 officials said.

environmental laws and regulations.

According to Sgt. 1st Class Lyman Holton, the Directorate of Public Safety Provost sergeant, "Undocumented immigrants for the most part intend no harm to the general public and strive to stay clear of populated areas for fear of apprehension.

"But during the summer, the heat and dry conditions sometimes forces them closer to built up areas in a desperate search for water. Additionally, the fall harvesting season in Arizona usually brings an increase in undocumented immigrants."

Although the Military Police have not recognized an increase in undocumented immigrants on post, it is imperative that all personnel who live and work on Fort Huachuca notify the Military Police when they encounter suspected undocumented immigrants or when they are aware of any person(s) violating environmental laws or regulations.

The increased patrols in the outer perimeter of the installation are one of the many Force Protection measures being taken by DPS to protect and safeguard the Fort Huachuca community. As always be aware of your environment and notify the Military Police of any suspicious activity.

## JITC names civilian employee of the Year

By Staff Sgt. Sharron Stewart  
Scout News Editor

Thomas Thexton, was named the Joint Interoperability Test Command's Employee of the Year.

A former signal soldier who served in the Army for over 12 years, Thexton is currently assigned to the Networks, Transmission, and Intelligence Division.

He manages interoperability and certification testing of several multi-million dollar command, control, communication, computers and intelligence projects. He's been part of JITC since 1992.

He compared his job to being a project manager because he has to keep track of all of the resources and make sure everything does what it's supposed to.

"JITC is considered to be one-stop shopping for interoperability," Thexton said. "If you have one system you have to make sure that it is compatible for the system it was built for. You also have to make sure that the same system will be compatible with yet another system. In other words you have to make sure that A and B are operable."

He went on to note there also has to be a human element to interoperability. "We like to bring in operators from the field because they know what the real problems are. These systems have to be able to work in the dry heat of the desert or in the extreme cold," he said.

He said he had no idea that he was going to be named the winner when his name was announced at an all hands awards ceremony. In addition to being named JITC's Employee of the Year, he was also presented with a personal digital assistant.

He said one of the most satisfying elements of his job is the camaraderie and the teamwork, something he thought he would have to forgo once he left the military.

"He has become instrumental in establishing the Department of Defense's endeavor to link existing service and joint combat systems engineering and test sites in a 'build, use, share' strategy," Rich Clarke, deputy division chief for the Defense Information Systems Agency, and Thexton's supervisor, said.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Sharron Stewart

## ASC changes name

NETCOM News Release

A media roundtable was conducted in Washington, D.C., today to announce the re-designation of the U.S. Army Signal Command here to U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command/9th Army Signal Command, effective Oct. 1.

This new command will be composed of organizations from the current Army Signal Command, including its tactical and strategic units worldwide and realigned operational-staff elements formerly under the Army's chief information officer.

The commander of Army Signal Command, Maj. Gen. James C. Hylton, will be the NETCOM/9th Army Signal Command commander.

Plans call for NETCOM/9th Army Signal Command to be headquartered at Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

However, the command will maintain a presence in the National Capitol Region and will operate regional offices at Fort Monroe, Va.; Rock Island, Ill.; Fort McPherson, Ga.; Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

The re-designation of Army Signal Command to NETCOM/9th Army Signal Command was directed under the Secretary of the Army's Headquarters Department of the Army Realignment Task Force.

The new command will be a direct reporting command to HQDA, under the oversight of the Army's chief information officer, Lt. Gen. Peter Cuvillo, the deputy chief of staff/G-6.

The G-6 administers the Army's overall infrastructure for information technology and information management.

NETCOM/9th Army Signal Command will operate, maintain and defend the Army's communications networks. It will be responsible for the technical integration of the disparate capabilities for command, control, communications and computers Army-wide.

It will provide an 'infrastructure' responsive to the Army's war-fighting missions through one strategic communications network to forward-deployed forces.

"By creating an enterprise-level 'infrastructure,' the Army is now postured to execute the functions critical to information management.

These include functions associated with network operations, management and defense, information dissemination management, and information assurance.

Centralization of authority over these functions will ensure secure, dependable and timely communications across the Army from the foxhole to the White House," said Hylton, commander of the new entity.



Spectators participate in the worldwide moment of silence during the Fort Huachuca United in Freedom ceremony. The moment of silence was part of a larger day of commemoration undertaken by the Department of Defense, which began at 9:30 a.m. EST at the "Phoenix Project" site – the rebuilt section of the Pentagon that was destroyed last year.



Photo by Sgt. Jessica Inigo

Below: Members of the Fort Huachuca Select Honor Guard unfurl the flag in preparation of raising it to half mast during the United in Freedom ceremony.



Photo by Spc. Natalie Butler



## We Remember 9.11.01

**A** year ago, a nation watched in horror as the World Trade Center came crashing down, as the Pentagon burned and as a jetliner plowed into a field in Pennsylvania. On Sept. 11, 2002, Fort Huachuca remembered and paid tribute to our fellow Americans.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Sharron Stewart

Left: Members of the Fort Huachuca Fire Department stand in unison to represent the hundreds of New York Fire Department firefighters who lost their lives rescuing others at the World Trade Center.

Below: Nearly 1,000 military personnel representing the U.S. Army, Marines Corps, Navy and Air Force marched upon Chaffee Parade Field to remember and pay tribute to the victims of the attack on America Sept. 11, 2001. During the ceremony, Brig. Gen. James "Spider" A. Marks, post commander, addressed the mass formation urging the men and women in uniform to be better than what they were when they arrived to Fort Huachuca.

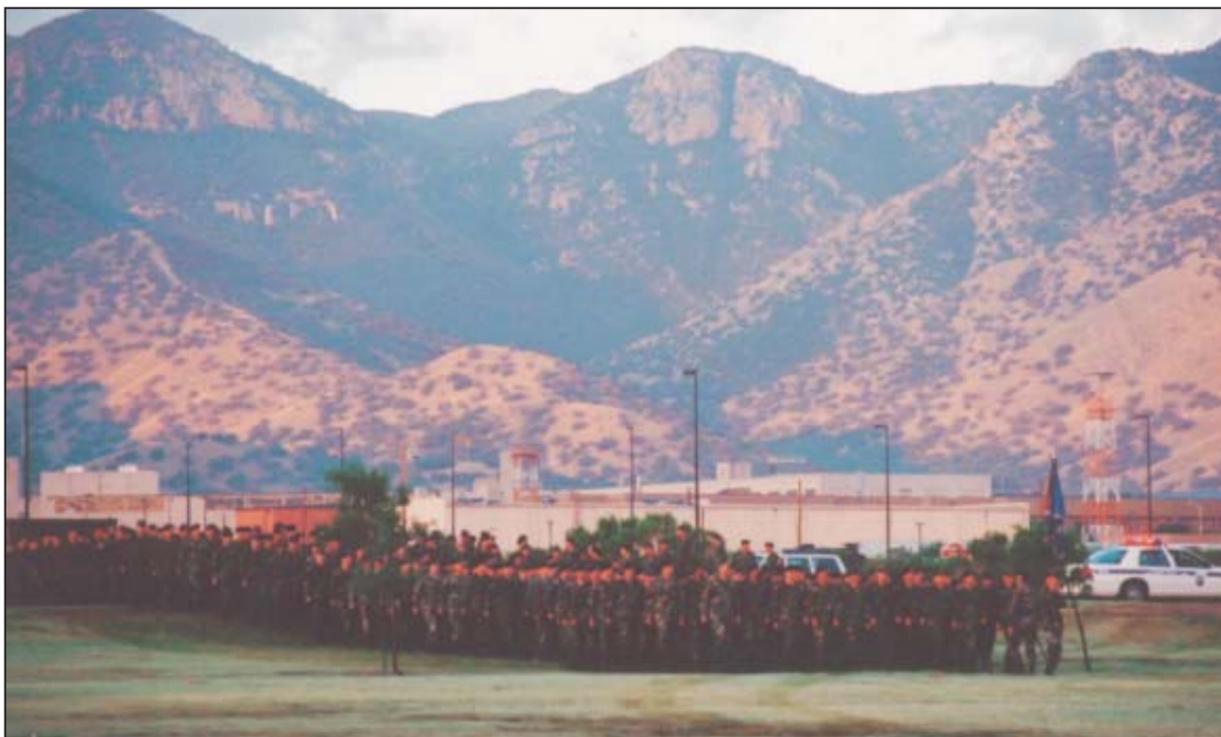


Photo by Sgt. Jessica Inigo

# Army honors its Sept. 11 fallen

By Staff Sgt. Marcia Triggs and Michelle Bard  
Army News Service

On the anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorists attacks, an Army determined not to let the tragedy change its way of life, honored the 75 members of its family that perished when American flight 77 was used as a deadly weapon.

A year ago, the Pentagon's courtyard was a triage area, where burn victims were evacuated and treated. But on the anniversary it was the place where victims and survivors were honored. With planes flying overhead, reminding everyone that America is moving on, the courtyard was a place where poems were recited, hymns were sung and prayers said for victims and survivors.

"Today is a day for celebration because after tragedy there is always triumph and that can be seen in the rebuilding of the Pentagon," said Pvt. Kenneth Depew, an infantryman that worked weeks after the attack removing debris and searching for survivors in the Pentagon.

Then there are those who say that the day terrorists attacked America will never be a day for celebrating.

"One of the lasting images I have of Sept. 11 is when victims were being evacuated to the courtyard," said Lt. Col. Eric Webster, who works in the Office of the Chief of Chaplains. "It's not time to celebrate. Some of the real challenges that we might face are still yet in front of us."

Everyone, however, agreed that this was a day of remembrance. Maj. Gen. Gaylord Gunhus, the chief of Army chaplains, stressed the value in looking back.

"Sometimes the best way to move ahead is to pause. Pause and look back, take stock, reset



Photo by U.S. Army Visual Center

**Maj. Gen. Gaylord Gunhus, the chief of Army chaplains, addresses the Pentagon's Army family during a Remembrance Service for the victims and survivors of the Sept. 11 terrorists attacks. Secretary of the Army Thomas White, Army Chief of Staff Gen. Eric Shinseki and Sgt. Maj. of the Army Jack Tilley also addressed the audience.**

our course and reaffirm our direction. This is our pause," Gunhus said.

The Army Remembrance Ceremony, "Service of Hope and Honor," began with a moment of silence and included remarks from the Army's highest ranking civilian, officer and enlisted soldier.

"We must remember what it is that we do in this great, gray limestone building — remember what we stand for. We are here to guarantee all Americans the right to live their lives and to die as free men and women," Army Chief Eric K. Shinseki said.

The speakers addressed more than the green-suiters in the audience, Army Secretary Thomas E. White made a point in his address to remind the audience that not just military served their country on that day.

Civilians "demonstrated their resolution" by coming back to work immediately after the attack, White said.

"They returned at that point to a still burning Pentagon to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with their uniformed co-workers, all members of the Army family, in the ultimate demonstration that we are truly an 'Army of One,'" White said.

## U.S. Army South Headquarters to relocate

Army Public Affairs release

The Army announced Monday the decision to relocate the headquarters of U.S. Army South from Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico to Fort Sam Houston, Texas. The move is expected to take place during fiscal year 2003.

The relocation is a result of an overall headquarters realignment assessment designed to achieve greater efficiencies and personnel savings throughout the Army. As part of the Army's realignment strategy, USARSO will become a major subordinate command of the U.S. Army Forces Command, located at Fort McPherson, Georgia, but will continue to serve as the Army component headquarters to U.S. Southern Command.

The re-designation of USARSO as a major subordinate command, with FORSCOM providing its administrative support, allows the Army to eliminate much of the USARSO headquarters overhead and reduce its strength from approximately 400 to less than 300 personnel.

The Army considered several locations as potential sites for USARSO. Fort Sam Houston was chosen because of its availability of facilities, its relative accessibility to U.S. Southern Command and Latin America, and its ability to provide garrison support to USARSO without significant augmentation or construction.

## CG's Sensing Session

### CG's Sensing Sessions

Brig. Gen. James "Spider" A. Marks continues to conduct Quality of Life sensing sessions with soldiers and civilians who live and work on Fort Huachuca. The issues raised in these sensing sessions are being captured and tasked out to the appropriate agencies/activities within the command for response and/or resolution. Contained in this article are some of the issues, along with responses from the agencies/activities responsible for each area.

#### Issue

There was a comment that prices for special events at the LakeSide Activity Center is high, yet the service is not commensurate with prices.

#### Reply

The LakeSide welcomes the comments from the CG's sensing session suggesting the cost for Fine Dining and Special Events is too high and the service received not commensurate with the prices.

The LakeSide performs a considerable amount of small, medium to large numbers of special events from lunch buffets or sit-down served events to dinner functions for up to 400 guests.

Comparing price schedules for the same service provided by off post facilities, the LakeSide Activity Centre is about 20% to 30% less. Prices are based on covering the overhead and entire costs related to operate the facility. Prices charged for certain events also cover the cost of table decorations, gifts provided as well as the cost for guest speakers in some cases.

These additional costs are passed on to the customer at the request of the person(s) booking the event. Numerous compliments have been received for past services provided, we

welcome the opportunity to meet with the person raising the issue to discuss a specific incident.

Please contact Mr. Heinz Steinmann, Chief Business Operations Division at 3-2193.

#### Issue

Fees to use rooms at the LakeSide Activity Centre discourage units from using the facility. It was suggested that if rooms were made available for units to use for training, the LakeSide could possibly generate some revenues by having an open bar.

#### Reply

The LakeSide Activity Center Catering Program is a category "C" activity, and as such must operate to pay for ALL of its own expenses and costs related to provide the catering services and is required to generate an 8% profit. Expenses include labor, maintenance/repair, utilities, and other overhead related items as well as a 2% tax paid to the Department of the Army.

While we appreciate the suggestion of providing rooms with an open pay-as-you-go bar it does not generate revenues large enough to cover the cost of providing rooms and associated labor. With the Department of the Army's "Deglamorization of Alcohol Program", alcohol sales have continuously declined and very few active duty personnel are inclined to consume alcohol beverages in a training session, not to mention if this is even legal during duty hours.

For official training, units are authorized to pay for room rental charges with the official government IMPAC credit card. Also, Murr Community Center has rooms for official training or meetings at no charge.

For additional information please contact Mr. Heinz Steinmann, Chief Business Opera-

tions Division at 3-2193.

#### Issue

It appears medical issues are not tracked once they are referred outside Fort Huachuca. Is there a mechanism for tracking medical issues that are referred outside Fort Huachuca?

#### Reply

If a soldier goes to the Emergency Room or otherwise receives care off post without our knowledge, then the only way to follow up is if the soldier comes in and informs their primary care manager. If we refer a soldier out to a specialist, that specialist sends a dictated summary of their findings, etc, back to the referring physician, but sometimes that takes quite a while.

We do get feedback on about 75% of our cases of soldiers being seen off post. In addition, the group that is collaborating efforts to improve cooperation between off post providers and Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center are addressing means of formalizing the process.

#### Issue

The pharmacy has an active duty button for new prescriptions, but not for refills, causing active duty to have to stand in line for refills. Is it practical to incorporate an active duty priority system for refills also?

#### Reply

Signage on the buttons is not particularly clear. Bottom line is active duty may fill new or refill prescriptions utilizing the active duty button. However, policy is still that we do not use that button for active duty personnel to pick up dependents' prescriptions.

This continues to be a problem in that active duty members will select the active duty button,

and upon presenting to the window will have or want to pick up prescriptions for multiple family members as well.

#### Issue

A comment was made that many trees are dying on post due to lack of watering. The opinion was stated that residents should be required to water trees in their yards.

#### Reply

There is a requirement for residents to water trees. Fort Huachuca Policy, dated January 29, 2001, describes the subject as this: Fort Huachuca Irrigation and Water Management, requires residents to provide sufficient watering to maintain the health of trees and shrubs in their yards.

It outlines specific dates, times and methods this may be accomplished and prospective penalties if not adhered to. Additional care and watering information is available on housing's website under US Army Garrison, Fort Huachuca, and articles requesting residents assistance in keeping our trees thriving are published at least twice a year in the Scout, usually in the Spring and Fall.

Like all other housing policy violations, housing agents issue citations when they see trees and shrubs in distress, which are clearly inside the resident's property line. In areas outside the property lines or bordering multiple properties, we can only ask that nearby occupants take on the responsibility to help save these precious resources.

Occupants determined to be negligent in their responsibilities could be required to fund replacement trees or, worse, lose the privilege to reside on post. The point of contact for the Department of Installation Support is Ms. Sylvia Pete at 533-3669.

# Community Updates

## Pile burn in Huachuca Canyon

Coordination has been completed and concurrence granted from Directorate Community Activities, Range Control, Department of Public Safety and Public Affairs Office for a burn within the time frame of Monday through September 27.

The purpose is to burn slash generated during thinning operations in Huachuca Canyon.

## Thrift Shop volunteers

The Fort Huachuca Thrift Shop is considering opening the shop one evening a month, possibly the first Tuesday of each month. The Shop would like to get feed back from the public on this.

The Shop will need volunteers that are dependable and sincere to make this happen and we are particularly interested in getting active duty spouses involved. If this is something that you would be interested in please write to the Thrift Shop, PO Box 12772, Fort Huachuca, AZ 85670-2772 or call 458-4606 on Tuesday or Thursday and ask for the Manager.

## Training to be held for new tutor program

Cochise College Adult Education has established a Tutor Volunteer Program that will train tutors and match them with adult students anywhere in Cochise County.

Tutors will be trained in how to help with reading and writing English or Spanish, math, computers, or GED preparation. Students can request a tutor in the specific area in which they need help.

The first three-hour tutor training session will be from 9 a.m. to noon, September 27 on the Sierra Vista campus. Future training sessions will be held at other locations around the county.

Once trained, tutors will be ready to meet with students in libraries, parks, churches, and coffee shops across Cochise County. If you're interested in being a part of the tutor program, either as a tutor or as a student, call (800) 966-7943, extension 5456.

## CGSO Course

Majors have an opportunity to enroll in this required Officer Professional Development course on Fort Huachuca. Phase I and III of CGSOC will start in October and meet one weekend each month. The classroom option has numerous advantages over the correspondence version, including:

- Both a higher graduation rate and higher grade average;
- Workload sharing and interaction with active and reserve component students;
- Professional and structured learning environment;
- Instructor support.

There are both a minimum and maximum amount of students allowed in each class, so if interested in enrolling, please contact Rick Meador at 538-5099.

## Range closures

Range Closures for Saturday through Sept.29

Saturday-	AU, AY, T1, T1A, T2
Sunday-	East Range
Monday-	AA, AB, AC, AD, AE, AF, AL, AM, AN, AU, AW, T1, T1A, T2
Tuesday-	AA, AB, AC, AD, AE, AF, AL, AM, AN, AU, AW, T1, T1A, T2
Wednesday-	AA, AB, AC, AD, AE, AF, AG, AH, AI, AK, AL, AM, AN, AR, AU, AW, T1, T1A, T2
Sept. 26-	AG, AH, AK, AL, AM, AN, AU, AW, AY, T1, T1A, T2
Sept. 27-	AH, AK, AL, AR, AU, AV, AW, T1, T1A, T2
Sept. 28-	AU, AY, T1, T1A, T2
Sept. 29-	East Range

Any questions should be directed to Range Control 533-7095.

## USATST recruiting effort

Representatives of the United States Army Tactical Support Team will be visiting Fort Huachuca Tuesday through September 26. The purpose of the visit is to conduct briefings and interviews with soldiers who wish to be considered for assignments within the Special Mission Unit community.

Both male and female soldiers and officers with the following qualifications, are invited to attend briefings:

Officers		
18 series	Cpt.	cmf 18
35 series	Cpt.	cmf 33
25 series	Cpt.	cmf 74
		cmf 98

### Enlisted

cmf 31	E5-E7
cmf 67	E6-E7
cmf 97	E5-E7
	E5-E7

Soldiers qualified in a foreign language at the 2+/2+ level, or higher, on the dlpt are also invited to attend the briefings. Soldiers from other career management fields are eligible to apply for support roles as well (cmf 71, 88, 92).

The USATST will present briefings to qualified soldiers Tuesday and Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. daily in Building 62772, Ice Hall, classrooms 150 and 151. The briefings will last approximately 30 minutes. The tactical support team will be available, Tuesday through Sept. 26 from 9 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. daily to process application packets and conduct security and technical interviews. Post point of contact numbers are (703) 408-2079 and (520) 533-4221.

Interested soldiers should bring copies of their ERB or ORB, birth certificate or passport, latest DA form-330 (for linguists), point scorecard, college transcripts and their last five NCOER's. This will help to expedite the process.

The point of contact for USATST is Keith

Hylton, call toll free 800-237-8113; fax: 703-325-6495 or email at [strecruiting@hoffman.army.mil](mailto:strecruiting@hoffman.army.mil)

## Construction of summit stormwater detention basin

### Public Notice

The City of Sierra Vista and Nelson Construction have discussed the construction of a Summit basin.

The project is expected to start around mid-September. The project duration is expected to be approximately 60 days.

Point of contact for the City is Mark Knable at 458-3315 and for Nelson Construction is Steve Staly at 803-0850 or 940-2724.

### Project description

The Summit Basin will be constructed on post. Authority is a drainage easement between the City and the Army.

The location is approximately .75 miles south of Site Boston Field Training Exercise site along the perimeter road (post's eastern fence line road). It will involve the raising of the perimeter road over a box culvert.

A detour will be available during the project, thus there are no current plans to close the roadway. The only impact to post travelers would be the reduced speed limit through the construction site.

The following is the proposed construction schedule for the construction of Summit Stormwater Detention Basin project

Grading: through October 8

Inspection by a City of SV engineer on October 1

Concrete: October 9 through 16.

Inspection by engineer on October 15

RipRap: October 17-31

Excavating of culverts: November 1-8

Inspection by Engineer on November 1

Finish RipRap: November 11-18

Inspection by engineer on November 15

Final Cleanup: November 19-26

Final Inspection: November 27

by engineer and post.

## Promotion material available for free at education center

Here's a hot one for free.

We have Promotion Board /Soldiers Board Study Guides soldiers can check out for free. You no longer have to buy your own study guides to prepare for boards.

The Education Center Military Occupational Specialty Library now has a supply of 9th Edition "The Soldier's Comprehensive Study Manual," and also of the "Winning the Board" study guide. Soldiers can check these out for two-week periods at no charge.

The Fort Huachuca Education Center MOS Library is open 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday thru Thursday and Friday 7:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Contact Bill McCleary at 533-2392 for further information.

## Stress reduction class

The next stress reduction class will be presented Wednesdays from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Three sessions make up one class. The class is open to active duty, dependents, retirees, and civilians. It's held on the second floor of the Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center in the conference room.

If interested, call 538-0625. Leave name, duty phone, and message regarding the class on our voicemail, or with the person who answers the phone.

## Widowed Support Group/Center

There is always a knowledgeable volunteer at the Widowed Group/Center on duty to answer your questions and offer assistance in any way we are able. Come by for a visit, a cup of coffee, or just to say hi.

The y are located at the corner of Buffalo Soldier and Fry Boulevard, at the Main Gate. Hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday-Friday.

Tuesday at 3 p.m. will be the Quarterly Membership Meeting where we will be formulating plans for upcoming fall/winter social programs. We invite you to come out to meet and greet each other and participate in this planning. There will be refreshments following the meeting. There is no cost to you, and no reservation are necessary.

Wednesdays are set aside as Craft Day; come help with the refurbishment of stuffed animals/dolls. These items are then given to various service organizations, orphanages both here and in Mexico, or Cochise County Fire Departments. Wednesday afternoon is set aside for games (i.e. cards, etc). Get together for a day of activity. Call 533-3807 for more details.

## EPG range closures

The Electronic Proving Ground has reserved the East Range Sunday and Sept. 29. The range will be closed on those dates due to hazardous operations, except for designated personnel working with EPG.

## CIF closure

The Central Issue Facility will be closed through tomorrow for inventory. In case of emergency situations, please call Dan Berry, 533-5828 or Cliff Hensley, 538-8771.

## New DOIM training enrollee contact

Effective immediately the Directorate Of Installation Management help desk will be assuming the responsibility for enrolling requesting individuals into the DOIM provided training classes. Therefore, if any U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca employee wishes to sign up for DOIM provided office suite and/or Access data base software classes, call 533-1212 to enroll.

As a reminder, the DOIM training schedule can be found on the Fort Huachuca web page under the TRAINING category, by clicking the option: "DOIM Computer Classes."

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

## Community Events Calendar

To add items to the calendar, call the Central Community Coordinator at 533-6870.

**CFC Kickoff Luncheon**  
September 24 at 11:30 a.m. at the LakeSide  
\$8 Fajita bar. Contact 2LT Tricia Kelley at 940-0219 for more information

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**Cochise County Fair**  
September 26 - 29  
at the Douglas, AZ Fairgrounds

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• The Vigilantes at the Hellodoro set in Tombstone at 1 p.m.

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• San Pedro Kiwanis meets at noon in the Crystal Room of Thunder Mountain Inn. Contact Nilda Townsend at 458-9647.  
• Thunder Mountain Bridge Club meets at 12:30 p.m. at Thunder Mountain Inn. Call Dianna Smith at 432-3883.  
• 69<sup>th</sup> Sig Co FRG meets at Peter Piper Pizza at 6 p.m.

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• Rickety Rockettes meets at OYCC at 10 a.m.  
• National Association of Retired Employees Chapter 1400 meets at 11 a.m. at OYCC.  
• Put Prevention Into Practice (PIPP) & Health Promotion Class meets from 2 - 3:30 p.m. at MCC. Call 533-2246 for additional info.  
• Cochise Toastmasters meets at Landmark Café from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Call Toni Reeves at 538-7502.  
• Cochise Chordsmen (SPERSQA) meets at SV Methodist Church at 7 p.m.  
• Society for Creative Anachronism meets at OYCC at 7 p.m.

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• La Salida Del Sol Lions meet at Thunder Mountain Inn at 6:45 a.m. Call Lee at 378-1399 for details.  
• HHD 504<sup>th</sup> Sig Bn at the Company Orderly Room beginning at 6 p.m.  
• SV Chess Club meets at Peter Piper Pizza at 7 p.m.

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• National Association of Retired Employees Chapter 1400 meets at 11 a.m. at OYCC. Call 378-6605 for details.  
• Huachuca Area Retired Teachers Association meets at OYCC at 10 a.m.  
• Early release for Fort Huachuca Schools. Myer-Kindergarten @ 1:20 p.m. Grades 4 & 5 @ 1:30p.m. Johnston, grades 1 - 3 @ 1:15 p.m. and Smith, Grades 6-8 @ 1:40 p.m.

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• Post Blood Drive at Eiffer Gym from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Call 520-917-2820 for an appointment or just come on by.  
• Rollin' Thunder Skate Park 5 - 9 p.m. for teens only. Call 533-3205 for information. Open to the public.  
• Rollerskating at Youth Services, Bldg. 49013 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Call 533-3205 for details.  
• SV Optimist Club meets at 5 p.m. at the Landmark Café. Call Robert Atkinson at 459-2711.

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• Junior Lifesaving Course at Barnes Field House from 8 - 10 a.m. Cost is \$20 in cash. Call 533-3858 for more information.  
• The AZ "Silver" Chapter of the US Army Warrant Officers Assoc. "4 Person Golf Scramble" shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Call CW4 Bill Petrak at 538-2829 or CW2 Dwayne Gundry at 538-6244.  
• SV Parks & Leisure is sponsoring Pool Tournaments at the YC. This event begins at 4:30 p.m. This event is free and open to youth ages 11 - 17 years of age. Call 459-4377 for info.

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• Military Affairs Committee (MAC) Luncheon at the Lakeside beginning at 11:30 a.m. Call 4458-6940 for reservations.  
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• Youth Services at Bldg. 49013 has open recreation from 1 - 8 p.m. Call 533-3205 for info.  
• Rollin' Thunder Skate Park is open 1 - 6 p.m. Call 533-3205 for information. Open to the public.  
• SV Parks & Leisure is sponsoring Playstation Tournaments at the YC. This event begins at 3:30 p.m. This event is free and open to youth ages 11 - 17 years of age. Call 459-4377 for info.

MCC = Murr Community Center

MPC = Main Post Chapel

OYCC = Oscar Yrun Community Center

Army Family Team Building classes and information at Murr Community Center, 533-3686 or 533-2330

# Reserve component personnel need to know about medical benefits

By Rudi Williams  
American Forces Press Service

When some reservist and guardsmen who are sick, injured and suffering from some disease return from deployments or training, they don't know which way to turn for medical care. That disturbs Kathleen Woody, director of DoD Reserve Affairs' Reserve Medical Readiness and Programs. Because, she said, not knowing what their benefits are can be a big problem for reserve component personnel.

Woody spoke at the seminar entitled "Post-Deployment Care Risk Communication and Terrorism: New Clinical Approaches." Active duty service members have access to military treatment facilities whereas healthcare providers for reserve component personnel are in the civilian community. Therefore, reservists' exposure to military healthcare is limited, Woody pointed out.

A critical information pipeline is needed to ensure that reserve component personnel are educated about their medical benefits before and after they're deployed, she said. "In their post-deployment, they may not be sensitive to the fact that whatever symptoms they're manifesting might be related to their deployment," said Woody, an Air Force Reserve colonel who has served as a critical care nurse and nurse educator in civilian life.

She said someone in the medical field might make the connection, but a mechanic out on the flight line may not associate their problem with their active duty service. "Hopefully their civilian physician will," said the Operation Desert Storm veteran. "However, they may not because the civilian community doesn't have the same access or understanding of military medicine as the military physicians do."

More than anything in risk communications is the need to communicate the risk of post-deployment, immunizations, medications and medical procedures for reserve component personnel, Woody said.

"We need to drill it down, not just to the commanders and down to the troops, but we need to reach out to the communities and civilian medical providers," Woody pointed out. "The whole gist is to get the information out to people who need to be sensitive to reserve members in the areas they're deploying to. And, we need to ensure that reservists know what their benefits are."

Reserve component personnel are only entitled to military medical or dental care for any injury, illness or disease incurred or aggravated in the line of duty. That includes travel to and from military duties. But they must be tested to ensure the injury, illness or disease happened while they were on active duty, the colonel noted.

"But, for example, if you feel that your illness is related to your deployment, you can ask for evaluation and treatment of that medical condition. You don't have to be in an active duty status to do that," Woody explained. "Often the reserve member doesn't know that. And it's very important for commanders to know the process and pass the information on to their troops."

One example of this ignorance occurred during the anthrax immunization program. "Many of our reservists were getting the anthrax immunization during their weekend duty and returning to their communities," she said. "They didn't know that one of the common reactions to the vaccine is the nodule. And, many of the civilian physicians didn't know nodules are common to the anthrax vaccine."

Consequently, she said, some physicians put patients on antibiotics, while others lanced the nodule. "They didn't know that



Photo by Staff Sgt. Sharron Stewart

Units such as the 2nd Battalion, 189th Field Artillery Arizona National Guard should be aware of the medical benefits they are eligible for.

in time the nodule would resolve itself," the colonel said. "It has been quite a challenge to get information about anthrax down to the lowest level," Woody said. "There are a lot of issues that reserve component members had with the anthrax vaccine, especially our pilots and air crew members."

Since reserve component personnel are stationed around the world, Woody said it's important from a risk communication standpoint that they're given the right information about their medical benefits.

"When they're finished with their deployment, all they want to do is to go home - back to the reserve community and their jobs," she noted. "So they're probably not going to report or be aware of a lot of things that happen post-deployment."

She told the audience about the dilemma of a soldier who was in Somalia before the Army Rangers. He had emotional problems and a hard time focusing. The soldier didn't

know where to go for help or what resources were available after he returned home.

"He had to be referred to Veterans Affairs for treatment," Woody said. "So it's important to get information to the command level so the commander can provide guidance to people."

Woody emphasized that it's important that the facts are straight. "They need to be correct and not anecdotal," she added. "There needs to be a comprehensive communications plan to reach out to Reserve members in their civilian communities." Educational programs should be targeted to military healthcare providers as well as commanders, service members and civilian healthcare providers, Woody said.

"It needs to be part of an overall communications plan so that your information is built from the top and drilled down," she said. "And the message needs to be consistent all the way down."

## Feature

### Hispanics in the Army, their artwork

South Korea, February 2, 1951  
Department of Defense release

#### A story of "The Borinqueneers"

In August 1950 the Korean War was less than two months old, and Puerto Rico's 65th Infantry Regiment was on its way to the combat zone. The regiment landed at the port city of Pusan on the Korean Peninsula's southern tip, where U.S. forces had been holding a perimeter against the Communist North Korean invaders.

Sent into action immediately, the Puerto Ricans took part in the U.S. breakout and drive to the north. Following the brilliantly planned and executed surprise landings at Inchon, U.S. and other United Nations forces drove deep into the mountains of North Korea. At that point a huge Chinese Army entered the war. The U.S. Eighth Army was overrun, and the 1st Marine Division, with attached U.S. and British Army Units, was completely encircled.

In one of the greatest fighting retreats in history, the outnumbered Marines battled their way south to the coast. The first friendly troops they saw on the frozen ridgetops were the

Puerto Ricans of the 65th Infantry Regiment, sent to hold the perimeter around the vital port of Hungnam.

The Puerto Ricans supervised the evacuation of Hungnam, finally sailing themselves on Christmas Eve, 1950. The 65th landed in Pusan as they had five months before, and again fought their way northward. Late January 1951 found them south of the Korean capital of Seoul, under orders to take two hills being held by the Chinese 149th Division.

The assault began on January 31 and took three days. On the morning of the third day the top of the hills were within reach, and two battalions of the 65th fixed bayonets and charged straight at the enemy positions. The Chinese fled.

During its service in Korea, the men of the 65th Infantry won four Distinguished Service Crosses and 125 Silver Stars. "The Borinqueneers" were also awarded the Presidential and Meritorious Unit Commendations, two Korean Presidential Unit Citations and the Greek Gold Medal



Graphic courtesy www.defenselink.mil

#### "The Borinqueneers"

for Bravery. The 65th Infantry Regiment's gallant service in a difficult war is exemplified by its regimental motto, "Honor and Fidelity," and the regiment itself exemplifies the National Guard's leading role in our nation's military history.

# JWOD program brings independence to disabled

By Katherine Goode  
Scout Staff

The benefits of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Program touch tens of thousands of Americans who are blind or have other special needs with employment and is said to be the single most important factor that enables an individual to more fully participate in society, bringing economic power and independence.

Fort Huachuca has just allowed this to happen for more physically and mentally challenged individuals as it has expanded its participation in the JWOD program by awarding the contract for base wide custodial services to J.P. Industries to begin Oct. 1.

According to Tom Borer, executive officer, Directorate of Installation Support, "to qualify for participation in the JWOD program, people with severe disabilities must perform 75 percent of all direct labor hours."

He went on to explain that these disabilities could include hearing impairment, mental retardation, or other disabilities that would make it difficult to not

only find, but also keep a job.

The JWOD Program is a statute driven mandatory source program, 41 U.S. Code 46-48c, providing employment opportunities for over 36,000 Americans who are blind or have other mental or physical challenges that would normally limit them in the work force by orchestrating government purchases of products and services provided by nonprofit agencies employing such individuals throughout the country—a program which was initiated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

In 1971 the JWOD Act was amended creating the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, the independent federal agency administering the JWOD Program.

The committee is comprised of 15 presidential appointed members, 11 of whom represent governmental agencies and four members who are private citizens knowledgeable about the employment problems of people who are blind or have other special needs, including those employed by nonprofit agencies af-

filiated with the JWOD Program.

Sophie Moore, contracting officer for Fort Huachuca said, "The JWOD program has been established by the President's Committee to provide oversight and to give job opportunities to the physically and mentally impaired so they may become gainfully employed."

This program is for use in all governmental agencies.

The JWOD program covers a broad range of services to include janitorial services, food services, library services, and currently grounds maintenance for the post operated under Cochise County Association for the Handicapped."

In the case of custodial services at Fort Huachuca, J.P. Industries is the sole designated service provider. J.P. Industries is owned and operated by retired Gen. Julius Parker, formally from Fort Huachuca, and his wife June, who now assist special needs individuals to gain control and autonomy in their lives, and according to Moore, J.P. Industries has made efforts to maintain supervisory staff

from the current contract."

In addition, Borer said, the JWOD program provides many benefits to the federal government and to the taxpayer.

The benefits will include quality products and services, on-time delivery, competitive fair market prices and best value procurement, reduced paperwork and it saves pre/post award costs through long-term contracts.

Borer said, "J.P. Industries successfully meets the [labor hours by the disabled] requirement on their current JWOD contracts and currently has JWOD contracts to provide base wide custodial services at Davis Monthan AFB, Janitorial Services at U.S. Border Patrol in Tucson, Custodial Services at Various INS Sites in Arizona, and Library Services at Davis Monthan AFB."

He concluded, "J.P. Industries has proved to be an outstanding provider of custodial services within the JWOD Program and should be equally competent to do an outstanding job providing custodial services here at Fort Huachuca."