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Hey, Soldier: Did you Know?

Ace Training

Mandatory Ace Training for all Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center personnel (military, civilian, contractors) will be held on the following dates/times:

- 0900-1000 on Sept. 6.
- 0800-0900 and 1300-1400 on Sept. 7
- 0800-0900 and 1300-1400 on Sept. 8
- 1300-1400 on Sept. 9

All classes will be held in the Post Theatre, Building 1490, Dalton Hall.

You're only required to attend one of the designated times. Sign-in sheets and CAC card required for log-in.

Suicide Prevention

In recognition of National Suicide Prevention Month, the Military and Family Life Consultants have scheduled presentations for the following dates, times and locations:

- Sept. 1 - Staying Positive and Motivated

1400-1500 hrs, Room 226/227, Bldg 1001

- Sept. 15 - Using Leisure Time Well

1400-1500 hrs, Room 226/227, Bldg 1001

- Sept. 22 - Healing Touch College

1400-1600 hrs, Room 226/227, Bldg 1001

- Sept. 29 - Friends for Financial Freedom/Bethesda Project

1400-1500hrs, Room 239, Bldg 1001

Hunter Education

A Hunter Education course will be held from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24 at Camp Shelby Headquarters, Building 1001

Please note, anyone 12 years of age and under 16 years of age must have a certificate of satisfactory completion of a hunter education course before hunting in the State of Mississippi.

Students must be 10 years of age or older in order to be certified. All participants may enter Camp Shelby at any Gate. Ensure you have proper identification.

For more information or to sign up, contact: (601) 558-2764

Tell your story

Command Sgt. Maj. (Retired) Ray Cordell is now working for Lifetime network and he is looking for locations to film the next season of their Homecomings series.

If you have Soldiers returning from deployment and want to get in on this opportunity to



SEPTEMBER 11, 2001

Lest we forget.

By **STAFF SGT. JACKULINE MOORE**
Camp Shelby Public Affairs

One decade ago, the United States was rocked by a devastating attack of terrorism. This attack destroyed the World Trade Center in New York City and caused serious damage to the Pentagon in Washington.

Along with many buildings left destroyed, there were approximately 3,000 lives lost due to this horrific attack. Although the attack was thousands of miles away, the effects were felt all around the world.

Staff Sgt. Jean Whaley, CSJFTC Behavioral Specialist, recalls how it affected her. "I remember that I was working patrol with the Meridian Police Department," said Whaley, "My partner Master Sgt. (Ret.) Jerry Jean Jordan Jr. of the 20th Special Forces Group and I were patrolling the Bonita Lake Area, when we were dispatched to the entrance of the 185th Army Guard Hanger at Key Field, where we were met by Capt. Jerry Bratu and Col. Sonny Watkins to set up an armed gate until all personnel was in place," said Whaley.

Whaley said it was unknown to them at that time that the United States was under attack,

but "It was a calm chaos and we were well armed," she said.

"The 186th Air Refueling Wing was flying low and fast" said Whaley, "It was very intense."

Whaley and her partner stayed on post for the next two days assisting the military with patrol around the airfield, "still in disbelief."

"The effects of the September 11 attack didn't immediately change the mission here at Camp Shelby," said Col. Steve Parham, CSJFTC Commander. Camp Shelby continued to operate as a training site mainly for annual training and weekend drills. "But the mindset changed," said Parham, "This was equivalent to what happened at Pearl Harbor."

Parham said, "Camp Shelby was not mobilized due to the September 11 attack, it was mobilized for the conflict that was taking place

in Iraq, the suspicion of weapons of mass destruction."

Even though Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center was not mobilized directly for the September 11 attack, it has made a great impact on helping fight the Global War on Terrorism as well as continuing to help support the current Overseas Contingency Operations.

Since June 2004, CSJFTC has trained more than 150,000 Soldiers, Sailors, and Airmen in support of the Overseas Contingency Operations.

"Anybody who wears this uniform, whether it is stateside or overseas, is helping fight the war on terrorism," said Parham.

As a tribute to the lives lost as well as the survivors of this tragedy, on September 11, the tenth anniversary, many people all around the world will take time to remember that day.

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Silver Star presentation 43 years in the making

By **MAJ. DEIDRE MUSGRAVE**
Camp Shelby Public Affairs

Maj. Gen. William L. Freeman, Adjutant for the Mississippi National Guard presented the Silver Star Award to Steve L. Bounds of Sumrall at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center on Thursday, August 18. The presentation to honor Spc. Four Bounds was held at the Mississippi Armed Forces Museum.

Congressman Steven Palazzo, Miss. District Four, was in attendance for the presentation and to honor Bounds and his family.

Bounds and his family were

excited to be together to experience the comradery of the military and to honor the service and bravery of Spc. Four Bounds.

"It is a good feeling and it's well deserved. I am more nervous receiving the award today than I was when I earned it in the war," said Bounds.

Bounds was drafted in the United States Army on March 20, 1968. After completing his army basic training course at Fort Benning, Ga. and his Advanced Individual Training at Fort Polk, La., he was immediately deployed to the Republic of Vietnam.

He quickly found himself in the middle of the Vietnam War.

While deployed, Bounds was assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 8th Infantry, 4th Infantry Division.

Bounds served as a Wireman and was awarded the Silver Star award for gallantry in action to restore communications between companies and battalion operations center while under enemy fire.

Before Bounds was able to receive his award, he was released on a hardship discharge. It was a paperwork discrepancy that prevented Spc. Four Bounds from properly receiving the award.

Bounds' nephew, Staff Sgt. Lathan Newby, first found out



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Steve L. Bounds

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FRONT & CENTER

Milestones to remember and to learn from...

Hurricane season is here and our nation has already felt the impact of Hurricane Irene along the East Coast during the month of August, but the month of August is infamous for its hurricanes in our nation's history.

Hurricane Katrina, category 3, was one of the strongest storms to hit the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Labeled second only to Hurricane Camille, category 5, which is considered to be the worst storm to ever hit the United States in terms of wind speed at landfall, a horrific 200 mph wind speed with tides measuring over 20 feet.

Hurricane Camille hit Mississippi on August 17, 1969 and Hurricane Katrina made its

mark on the Mississippi Gulf Coast and surrounding states on August 29, 2005.

Are you and your team prepared for a hurricane?

Does your family know what to do in the event of an emergency?

Do you have a hurricane kit with first aid supplies, flashlights, extra food and water, emergency phone numbers and essential documents?

Heed the lessons learned from the past hurricanes and severe weather that we have experienced in the great state of Mississippi and make your preparations now.

September 11th marks the anniversary of the worst terrorist attack in U.S. history which ignited a 10 year war that is still being fought today.

As we remember the lives lost during this ten year anniversary, remember the sacrifices but cherish the freedom and pride that comes with being a military service member or a family member of a service member.

Team, thank you for your continued service to our grateful nation as we continue to train troops and serve in Overseas Contingency Operations for the continued fight for our nation's freedom.

Team, help me welcome members of the 112th Military Police Battalion of the Mississippi Army National Guard as they begin their mobilization training.

Also, welcome members of the 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team and 371st Sustainment

Brigade from the Ohio Army National Guard. Continue the standard of excellence that Camp Shelby is known for providing in training and support for mobilizing troops.

In November, we will welcome the 27th Infantry Brigade Combat Team from the New York Army National Guard. Team, stay focused and continue the standard of excellence that identifies Camp Shelby above the rest.

Thanks to all of you for your dedicated support as we continue the mission of mobilizing and demobilizing American Heroes.

It is an honor and a privilege to assist America's finest patriots as they embark on their journey for the continued fight for freedom. Thank you for all that you do and



Col. Steve Parham

keep up the good work.

May God continue to bless you, your families, and this great country that we are so lucky to have the honor to serve. "SOLDIERS FIRST!"

SOLDIER

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tell your Army stories, please contact Ray via email at: ray.cordell@ymail.com or by phone (916) 409-5076 or (443) 370-3291.

ATM hours

New ATM hours at billeting will be Monday - Friday 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday 7:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. ATM can also be found at Post Exchange and Camp Shelby Federal Credit Union.

371st EO office

The 371st Sustainment Brigade Equal Opportunity Office is located at building 2801 here on



Camp Shelby to support all members of the Ohio National Guard while conducting annual training and pre-mobilization training Aug. 2-31 and Sept. 11 through Oct. 15, 2011.

To speak with an Equal Opportunity Advisor (EOA) contact Master Sgt. J. Alex Ribacchi @ (601) 558-4937 or jon.alex.ribacchi@us.army.mil

Veteran's parade

The Armed Forces Top Enlisted Association (AFTEA) Pine Belt Chapter in coordination with the Hattiesburg Veteran's Committee will host a Veteran's Day parade on Nov. 11 in downtown Hattiesburg.

The parade will start at 9 a.m. at the fire station on Main Street and end at Veteran's Park. The parade will be followed by a Veteran's Day program at the park.

For more information contact George Herrington at 601-520-1041.

9/11 tributes

The University of Southern Mississippi and the City of Hattiesburg are partnering on the National 9/11 Memorial Project during halftime of the Southern Miss football game against Louisiana Tech on Sept. 3.

The USM Gulf Coast campus is hosting its own tribute to 9/11 at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11 at the Fleming Education Center Auditorium. It is free and open to the public.

Pageant time

The Leaf Foundation is presenting the 2011-12 Miss Leaf River Valley/Miss Riverland Pageant at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11 at the Oak Grove Primary School Multipurpose Center.

This event will be a Musical Tribute to America's Defenders, and our own Camp Shelby Honor Guard will be in attendance.

Admission is free with a military ID and/ or a military dependant ID.

Celebrate freedom

William Carey University Winters School of Music is hosting a Celebration of Freedom concert on 11 Sept. 2011, 3 p.m. at the Thomas Fine Arts Auditorium at the WCU Hattiesburg Campus.

This concert will honor members of the military, law enforcement agencies as well as firefighters. Admission is free.

American Grill

The AAFES American Eatery located in bldg 2413 on Lee Ave. serves pizzas, burgers and salads daily. They are open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wi-Fi is also available.

Lowes discount

Lowe's Home Improvement-Lowe's offers 10% military discount every day to uniformed service members.

Surf the Internet

Camp Shelby has an Internet Café located on 26th Street bldg 2614 and the hours of operations are Monday- Friday 8 a.m. until 10 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. which is free to the Soldiers.

The American Grill has internet service available but there is a fee. The hours of operations are Monday - Friday 8 a.m.-7p.m. Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m - 4 p.m.

Zumba classes

Zumba summer schedule (July) Mondays: 6:00-6:45 a.m., Tuesdays: 11:30-11:50 a.m. (express) Wednesdays: 6:00-6:45 a.m. and 4:30-5:30 p.m. at the CSJFTC Gym.

If you have questions, you may call (601) 447-7973 or email kfd.hyder@gmail.com.

*ZUMBA is a FREE fitness option to military ID cardholders and Camp Shelby employees. CSJFTC does not sponsor or endorse these classes.

Camp Shelby pool

The CSJFTC pool located in bldg 1482 is open Wednesday through Sunday 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. It's closed Monday through Tuesday. POC 601-558-2220.

Education Center

Defense Language Proficiency Tests (DLPTs) are available (computerized) at the CSJFTC-DPCA Education center.

For more information contact the education center for more complete information on DLPTs and Oral Proficiency Interviews (OPI). @ 601-558-2029 Bldg 1813 on 18 Street.



Maj. Deidre Musgrave/Camp Shelby Public Affairs

SILVER STAR... Maj. Gen. William L. Freeman proudly pins the Silver Star medal to Spec. Four Steve L. Bounds of Sumrall on Aug. 18 here at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center. Bounds earned the award for "Gallantry in Action" during his service during the Vietnam War. Pictured here, from left is Lt. Chris Paul, Freeman, Bounds and his wife, Ann.

BOUNDS

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about his uncle's military achievements when he was experiencing some ill health.

Bounds had his original orders that were sent to his house and a copy of his military personnel record.

The award orders were dated three days after Bounds' discharge from the Army.

It was Bounds' wish to get it corrected. He thought his children might appreciate the Silver Star medal that he earned and wanted to have it to hand down to his family in the future.

Newby began the process of correcting the award with his Company Commander of the 3656th Component Repair Company, 1st Lt. Chris Paul.

The process went through their higher headquarters, Joint Force Headquarters Mississippi National Guard, National Guard Bureau, and then to Human Resources Command for the Army.

After requesting the correction through the proper channels, the concern for Bounds' health was a means for urgency.

Newby requested permission from his chain of command to seek additional assistance through Congressman

Steven Palazzo's office, Mississippi District Four. With documents in hand and some help from Congressman Palazzo's office the award was expedited to ensure that a wrong was made right in the proper military fashion to honor the service of an American Hero.

When Bounds was asked about being a war hero he said, "I don't think so much that I am a war hero. I don't consider myself a war hero. I was just out there doing my job."

Newby played a special role in honoring his uncle's service to our country, yet was very humble in his accomplishments.

"I am just proud to see my Uncle Bounds receive the award he deserves," said Newby.

Due to the efforts of Staff Sgt. Lathan Newby, Bounds' nephew, MS National Guard Joint Force Headquarters, National Guard Bureau and Congressman Palazzo's office this award was finally presented to Spec. Four Steve L. Bounds for 'Gallantry in Action' 43 years after the time it should have been presented to a hero of the Vietnam War.

Bounds is married to Ann Martin Bounds and they have four children; Junior Bounds of Sumrall; Sharon Jean Bryant of Lumberton; Shelton Bounds of Lumberton, and Jake Bounds of Purvis.

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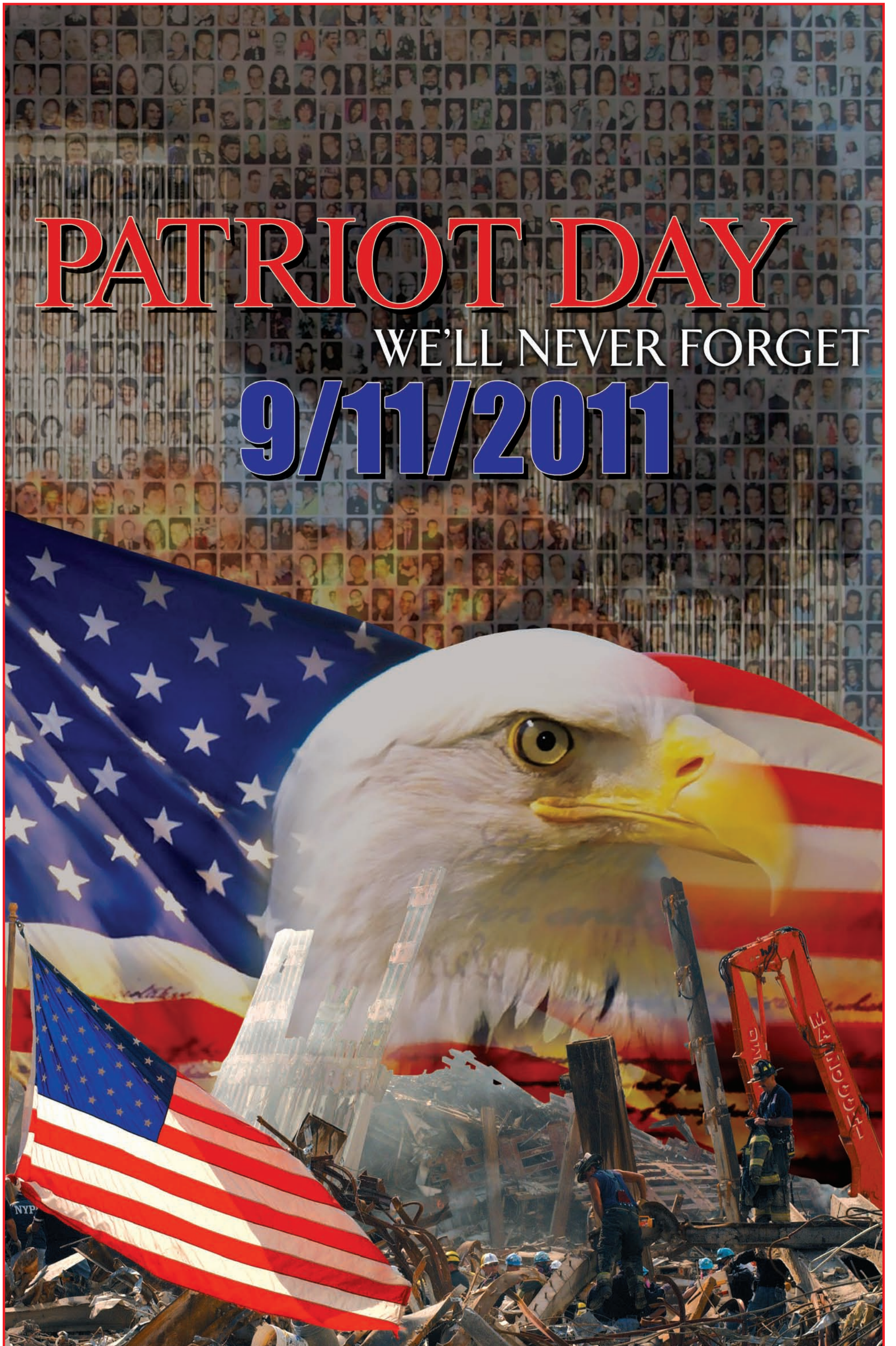
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Whaley earns BA degree

By STAFF SGT. JACKQUILINE MOORE
Camp Shelby Public Affairs

Recently, Staff Sgt. Jean Whaley, NCOIC, CSJFTC-EO, earned her Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree from Thomas Edison State College.

Whaley made the commitment to earn her undergraduate degree soon after assuming her mission duties at the EO office under Lt. Col. Constance Essex.

"Earning a degree combined with an Army Mission is not easy," said John Junkins, ESO, CSJFTC-

DPCA Education Center, "It not only requires a commitment, but endurance and a stick-to-itiveness as well."

Junkins said that after a full mission day and then going home and taking care of the home front, soldiers often find themselves burning the midnight oil, or getting up at "0:Dark Thirty" to study. There are also those lunch times while chewing on a chicken leg and doing homework.

"Whaley earned her degree the old fashioned way - she earned it - and in the process did not miss a step in her mission requirements,"

said Junkins.

Whaley accomplished mission requirements and pursued her degree goals, she found time to mentor junior ranking soldiers about personal and professional development.

Junkins said very few weeks went by without a soldier visiting the education services department and saying that Whaley told them to stop by to visit about college, ROTC, WOC, or raising a GT score on the ASVAB.

Whaley was recognized for her academic accomplishment on Aug. 25.



Staff Sgt. Jackquiline Moore/Camp Shelby Public Affairs
GRADUATION DAY... Staff Sgt. Jean Whaley pose with John Jenkins, CSJFTC Education Advisor, in appreciation for his help in pursue of her BA Degree.



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

God's Word concerning your worries...

By CHAPLAIN (Col.) FORREST BANKSTON, Jr.
Camp Shelby Installation Chaplain

The Most Reverend R.C. Trench, who was at one time the Protestant Archbishop of Dublin, had a morbid fear of becoming paralyzed.

One evening at a party, the lady that sat next to him at dinner heard him muttering mournfully to himself, "It's happened at last...total insensibility of the right limb."

"Your Grace," said the lady, "it may comfort you to learn that it is my leg you are pinching!"

I told that little story to ask this important question: do you (we) worry about everything, are you a worry wart?

For all those of you who are prone to worry, did you ever stop to think how dangerous worrying is?

More than 100 diseases have been directly attributed to worry!

Worry will not only take away your physical energy, it will also rob the soul of its stamina as well.

Why?

Worry is the ultimate act of rebellion against the rule of God in a believer's life. How?

Worry says that God is dead; and if He is alive, then He is incapable of doing anything about my situation!

Even though we may know these things, it doesn't change the fact that people worry. As a matter of fact, worry could be called the most popular pastime of the human race.

One elderly lady said, "I always feel bad when I feel good, for I know that I'll feel bad after awhile!"

What a tragic outlook, yet many people live right there. Folks, the bottom line is this, when we worry we have ceased to trust the Lord, and that is a sin!

When you get right down to it, although the calendar says that there are seven days in the week, there are really only three.

Two of them should never cross our minds in worry.

One of them is yesterday, and it can never be changed. The other is tomorrow and no man holds the power to affect

tomorrow.

Today is really the only day we have and with God's help, we can face anything that arises.

My friends, worry is like a rocking chair, it keeps you busy, but it doesn't get you anywhere!

If worry is eating you alive and is destroying your physical and spiritual life, I want to help you defeat its power. In these verses, the Bible sheds some light on how we are to handle our cares. Let me take these verses and share with you God's Word Concerning Your Worries.

The Apostle Paul says in Philippians 4:6-7 "Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

Here is God's prescription to His children, pray about everything don't be anxious about anything!

There is nothing that should cause a Christian to worry, Paul says. We all have

problems in life and Paul was one who experienced many problems, yet Paul tells us that there should never be a crisis so troubling that God cannot bring peace in the midst of it!

God will not necessarily take your problems away, but He will carry the load for you. But next, Paul gives us God's plan to overcome worry, "but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made known to God."

In today's language, "pray about everything, worry about nothing." Don't worry, just pray, Paul says. And what is the result?

What is God's promise for our obedience? "And the peace of God, which passeth all understating, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

If we will pray about everything and worry about nothing, Paul says, the result will be the Peace of God that transcends all our understanding.

That is God's promise to His children.

No matter what your circumstances are, turn your worry (anxiety) over to God and let His perfect peace guard your heart.

CAMP SHELBY AREA WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The following worship opportunities are available through Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center.

ON POST

General Protestant

Sunday, 9 a.m., Greer Chapel
Sunday, 12:30 p.m., Greer Chapel

Catholic Mass

Saturday, 2 p.m., Greer Chapel

(Confessions at 1:30 p.m.)

Sunday, 2 p.m., Greer Chapel
(Confessions at 1:30 p.m.)

For Jewish, Latter-day Saints and Muslim services, please contact the Post Chaplain for assistance at 558-2378.

OFF POST

*Transportation provided for Jewish, Episcopal, Lutheran, Muslim services ONLY (due to time scheduling) Units are responsible for arranging transportation by calling 601-558-2622.

Lutheran

Sunday, 8 a.m., St. John Lutheran Church, 2001 Hardy Street, 601-583-4898.

Latter-day Saints

Sunday, 9 a.m., Latter-day Saints Meeting House, 1618 Broadway Dr., 601-268-2438/ Hall: 601-268-9706. Contact the Post Chaplain.

Episcopal

Sunday, 8 a.m., Trinity Episcopal, 509 West Pine St., 601-544-5551

Jewish

Friday at Temple B'Nai Israel at 801

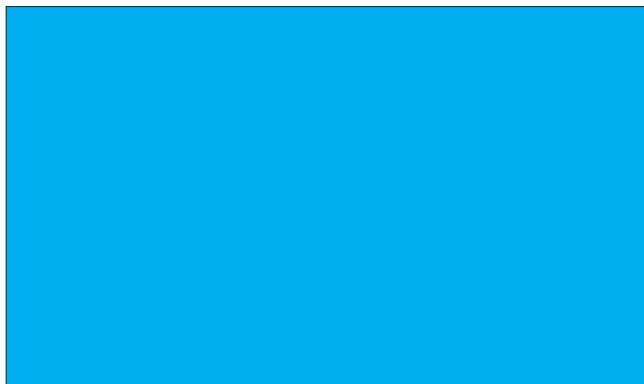
Mamie Street, 601-545-3871. Every Friday at 6 p.m.

Muslim

Contact Post Chaplain

Others

Church of God at Bellevue, Hwy. 589, Hattiesburg
Jesus Christ of LDS, 2215 Broadway Drive, Hattiesburg





American pride

Pictured above, Master Sgt. Paul Collier, Hattiesburg Mayor Johnny DePree, and Sgt. 1st Class Jeremy Rand all stand in front of the American flag at the Flag Plaza unveiling, held Aug. 16. The new flag is intended to show the community's patriotism and to honor members of the military from near and far. At right is Sgt. 1st Class Michael Dedeaux, and Staff Sgt. Willie Dejarnette, both members of the CSJFTC Color Guard.

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR'S CORNER

Make time for family

By **CMD. SGT. MAJ. STEVEN CHANCELLOR**
CSJFTC Command Sergeant Major

First, I would like to give the members of the Ohio National Guard a warm welcome to Camp Shelby. Soon the entire brigade will be on ground to begin their mobilization process.

Team, continue the mission of providing the excellent training and support to this unit with their mobilization training as they prepare for their Overseas Contingency Operations.

The Army Physical Fitness Test is steadily approaching. The next scheduled APFT is in November. If you haven't begun preparing for it, I strongly advise you to start now.

Passing the APFT is not only a standard for being in the Army; it is a requirement of being a soldier and a leader.

NCOs, if you have or know of a soldier that has a weakness with passing the APFT, lead by example by taking time to train with them. Remember one of the duties of being an NCO is taking care of the Soldier.

For those of you new to CSJFTC, the only authorized place to wear headphones while running is at the track located at the softball field complex behind the gymnasium.

Labor Day is this coming Monday, Sept. 5. Depending on the mission tasks, this is a great opportunity to spend time with family and take some time off.

Remember safety as you celebrate the end of the summer season.

Now that summer is coming to an end and with fall being just around the corner, it's time for some tailgating and football.

We have a lot of football fans here at Camp Shelby whether it's showing support for your favorite high school, college or NFL team. Remember drinking and driving doesn't mix. Do not drink and drive.

August 29 was the anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. We have come a long way, six years later south Mississippi and our neighboring states are still recovering



Cmd. Sgt. Maj. Steven Chancellor

from the disaster.

With that being said hurricane season is in full swing with Irene being the first of the named hurricanes for 2011. Make sure that your alert rosters are updated in case of emergency situations.

A 5.8 earthquake rattled the East Coast on Aug. 23. Keep in your prayers the people who were affected by this unexpected disaster.

Let me remind you all that September 11 will be the 10 year anniversary of one of the most devastating attacks to occur on United States soil.

Continue to pray for the lives lost and loved ones left with the heartache of this tragedy. As a nation we will continue to pray and stay strong.

Team, thank you for the great job that you all do in support of the mobilization and demobilization process here at Camp Shelby. Continue to strive for excellence. Soldiers First!

NCOs Lead the Way!

Cockrell accepts new assignment as electrician

By **DANA ELISE SMITH**
Camp Shelby Public Affairs

PERSONNEL PROFILE ENLISTED

Sgt. 1st Class John Malcolm Cockrell is from Gulfport and works in the Directorate of Public Works at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center.

In July, he celebrated his promotion to his current rank after serving two years as a construction inspector and heavy equipment operator for DPW.

He is now taking on his new assignment in DPW as an electrician where he will be responsible for the

maintaining all electrical utilities of the buildings and facilities at CSJFTC.

"I ensure that soldiers have a place to live and train. I make sure everything works. If there is a problem anywhere on post, I fix it," said Cockrell.

He has served a total of 19 years in MSARNG. He feels that the

National Guard chose him.

"I don't really know if I chose it, it may have been more of a mutual understanding," he said.

Cockrell is also a member of the Headquarters Support Company, 890th Engineer Battalion headquartered in Gulfport where he serves as an operations sergeant.

He has earned many Military

Occupational Specialties in construction which include Interior Electrician, Carpentry Masonry Specialist and Heavy Equipment Operator.

Cockrell's civilian occupations have been mostly construction.

"I have worked every kind of construction from the basic underground utilities to building sub-divisions, to house construction up to the point of the turn key purchase," he said.

In his spare time, he enjoys fishing and spending time with his son, Christopher, 17.



Sgt. 1st Class John Cockrell

158th welcomes new commander

By **SGT. LATASHA WILLIAMS**
Camp Shelby Public Affairs

First Army Division East Commanding General Maj. Gen. Kevin R. Wendel hosted a Change of Command ceremony here at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training.

Col. Thomas S. Hollis relinquished command responsibility to Col. Christopher S. Forbes on Aug. 4.

While thanking Hollis for his dedicated service over the past two years, Wendel said that Hollis' persistent efforts improved our ability to certify trainers for the NATO training mission.

"Hollis was committed to the mission, always proactive, trained to standard and capitalized on every opportunity to make every unit we worked with better," said Wendel.

In the last two years, the

brigade has contributed to the readiness of more than 80 units and almost 14,000 personnel trained for combat operation in Iraq, Afghanistan, Kosovo and the Horn of Africa.

Hollis compared himself to George Bailey in his favorite movie "It's A Wonderful Life". The character discovers one of the simplest most rewarding acts we can do is in service to others. He said that being a soldier allows him to contribute something bigger than himself.

"I keep pinching myself wondering if it's real," said Hollis, "I am living proof that dreams do come true."

Hollis' next duty assignment will be the chief of the Mission Command Center of Excellence at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan.

Forbes, the incoming commander of the 158th Infantry Brigade, is a native of

Greenville, SC. He recently served on the International Security Assistance Forces Joint Command Staff in Kabul as the Corps chief of future operations and the assistant Chief of Staff while in Afghanistan.

"My family and I are honored, humbled and excited to be part of the 158th Infantry Brigade, the Camp Shelby team, and part of 1st Army," said Forbes.

Speaking to the soldiers of the 158th, Forbes said, "While not on the front lines today, our mission is vitally important. The training you provide the men and women going into combat is crucial to their success."

The 158th Infantry Brigade trains, coaches and mentors Soldiers, Airmen and Sailors in support of our nation's overseas contingency operations.



Staff Sgt. Lymari Sanchez/158th Infantry Brigade Public Affairs
PASSING THE COLORS... Maj. Gen. Kevin R. Wendel passes the Colors to Col. Christopher S. Forbes during the Change of Command ceremony. This signifies the passing of his trust and also responsibility for command of the unit and its soldiers in the 158th Infantry Brigade.



Photo by Sgt. Kimberly Hill, 371st SUS BDE HHC

IN MEMORIAM... On the evening of Aug. 15, more than 35 soldiers attended a memorial service for Master Sgt. Kevin L. Williams Sr., who passed away on Aug. 11, 2011 in New Carlisle, Ohio from natural causes. The service was conducted by the 371st Sustainment Brigade Troops at Greer Chapel located at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center during their annual training period. The Mississippi observance in remembrance of Williams was attended by soldiers from his unit who were unable to attend his funeral service that was held on the same day in Ohio. Pictured is Master Sgt. J. Alex Ribacchi, of the 371st SUS BDE, Springfield, Ohio, delivering a Soldier Tribute, a personal testimonial to Williams.



Sgt. LaTasha Williams/Camp Shelby Public Affairs

SURROUNDED BY LOVE... Master Sgt. Larry Blakely is surrounded by family and friends to honor his 33 years of service to the Army during a retirement ceremony held at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center on Aug. 19.

CSJFTC honors Blakely

By **SGT. LATASHA WILLIAMS**
Camp Shelby Public Affairs

Master Sgt. Larry Blakely was honored for his service to the Army at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center on Aug. 19.

Family and friends celebrated Blakely's retirement by honoring his accomplishments of 33 years of service.

He enlisted in the Mississippi Army National Guard on June 1, 1978. He began his service as a cannoner before becoming a wheel vehicle mechanic, a motor sergeant, and progressing to a senior maintenance supervisor.

Blakely entered active duty with the Directorate of Logistics at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center in February 2004. He completed seven years of service as a key NCOIC with the Strategic-Air Team in support of Overseas Contingency Operations.

"I have only one word to describe Blakely and that is dependable, because when he says he's going to do something, you don't have to

worry about it anymore," said Maj. Charles Clark, CSJFTC Installation Transportation Officer.

In this position, he developed effective procedures and executed movement of thousands of tons of mobilizing and demobilizing equipment. His achievements have been effective in coordinating with the US Air Force for movement of mobilized equipment overseas.

"I want to thank the Lord for blessing me in my career," said Blakely.

Although he never deployed, Blakely said that he honored all soldiers wearing combat patches. He said that is one minor thing in his career that he doesn't apologize for, but the ones who have deployed are the best soldiers in the world.

Blakeley showed a testament of his character by recognizing his team and presenting them each with a Certificate of Achievement award.

During the ceremony, Blakely was presented the Mississippi Magnolia Cross.

Armed Forces Museum is home to one of first production-model tanks

By **GLENN HUSTED**
MS Armed Forces Museum
Arms Conservator

One of the most unique artifacts at the Mississippi Armed Forces Museum is the M-2A2 tank, America's first domestic production-model tank.

The tank currently on display at the museum is the only remaining example of this model.

Production of the M-2A2 began at Rock Island Arsenal in 1936. In 1942, M-2A2s were declared obsolete but were still used by the Army until 1945 for various training functions.

At least one M-2A2 was assigned to the Flora Ordnance Training Center (Flora, Mississippi) for use in training.

The Ordnance Training Center closed with the end of the Second World War

but one of the M-2A2 tanks remained abandoned in a wooded area on the site.

It remained there for more than thirty years until discovered by a high school student in 1977.

A few months later, a picture of the tank was published in a nationally distributed military magazine and later the Mississippi Army National Guard gained custody of the tank.

Since its discovery in 1977, the 1936 M-A2 Model has undergone various cosmetic restorations. It became part of the museum's collection in 1992, and in 2006, the museum began a project to uncover the entire story of America's oldest tank.

Plans are ongoing for a more complete restoration and history of the only remaining example of America's first production-model tank.



Photos courtesy of the Armed Forces Museum



An M-2A2 tank remained abandoned in a wooded area on the site of the former WW II Flora Ordnance Training Center. It remained there for more than thirty years until discovered by a high school student in 1977. At right is the tank as it is today at the MS Armed Forces Museum. It became part of the museum's collection in 1992.

EANGUS holds 40th conference

By **CMD. SGT. MAJ. STEVEN CHANCELLOR**
Post Command Sgt. Major

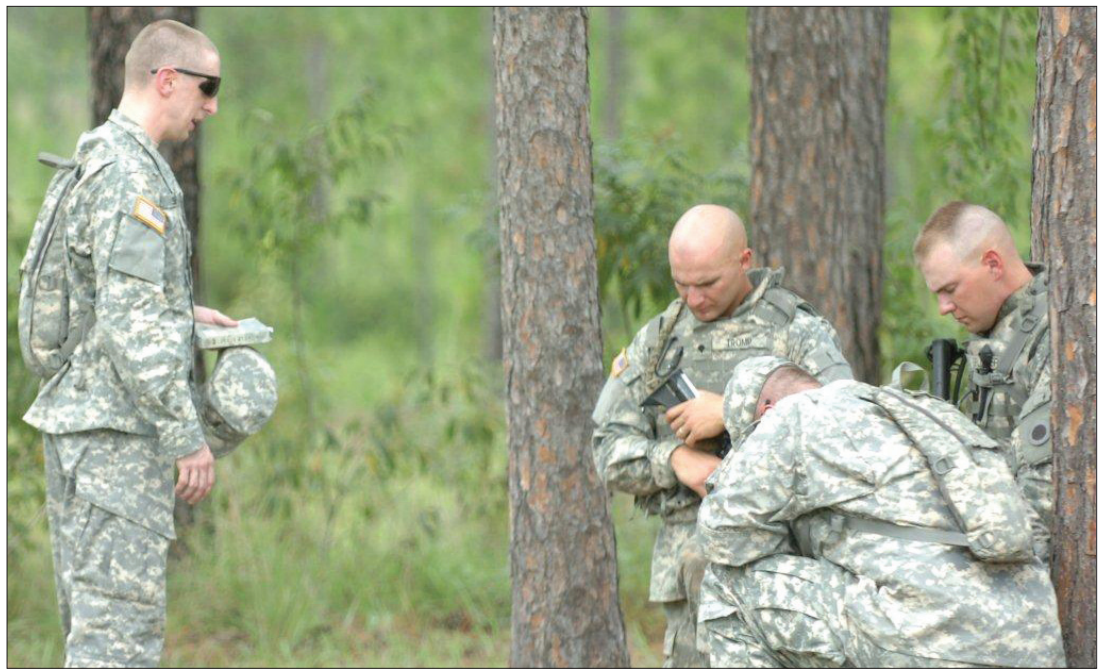
EANGUS held its 40th Annual Conference 14-17 August 2011. The Mississippi National Guard NCO Association was well represented with 69 personnel in attendance and 46 delegates. It is of interest to note that the total number of delegates at the conference was 288. Mississippi represented 16 percent of the total delegates. Mississippi was once again the largest membership in the nation with over 8,900 members.

Sgt. Maj. Matt Martin was nominated and elected for the position of Area IV Director. Area IV covers a seven state area of Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Missouri.

The main focus during the conference was to place the Chief of the National Guard Bureau on the Joint Chiefs of Staff. EANGUS is confident that this will happen and allow the National Guard to be placed on same level with the other services. It was an outstanding conference and our state was well represented to include the State Command Sgt. Maj. George M. Miller and the Adjutant General, Maj. Gen. William Freeman.



BATTLE DRILL... Spc. James Preston and Pvt. Benjamin Bierce, 3rd Platoon, A Battery, 1st Squadron 134th, 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team from Marion, Ohio, stack up as they cover the main element of their squad during a dismounted battle drill in the Al Jaffa MOUT site, Training Area 6, located at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center on Aug. 21. Also pictured are members of the 1487th Transportation Company, Piqua, Ohio who provided OPFOR for the battle drills.



FINDING TIME TO PRAY.. Even as Range 48, located at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center, remains "hot" less than 50m away, soldiers of Delta Company 1st Squadron, 148th Infantry headquartered in Sandusky, Ohio, pause for a brief Sunday prayer service as they wait for their next opportunity to zero their weapons on Aug. 21. Pictured are Chaplain Candidate 2nd Lt. John Silvey and Chaplain Assistant Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Smithisler of the 371st Sustainment Brigade headquartered in Newark, Ohio and Spc. Tromp, Pfc. Oplinger of the 148th Inf.

Hammer Company renews affection for big guns

By STAFF SGT. THOMAS GREENE
278th Public Affairs

Company H, 2nd Squadron, 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment, recently completed their two week annual training exercise at Camp Shelby, Miss.

The Tenn. Army National Guard unit from Rockwood, Tenn. trained the final two weeks of July performing tank gunnery qualification for the first time since before being deployed to Iraq in February, 2010.

Cpt. Kenneth Rivard of Knoxville, Tenn. is the commander of this tank company and said, "The purpose of this AT was to get our soldiers back into their combat mission training and into their military occupational specialty."

"We've been away from the tank since 2008 and had a lot of personnel changes within the unit, but this gave us a chance to work together and identify strengths and weakness and I am pleased with the job the tank company did here."

278th ACR Command Sgt. Maj. Dan Jennings of Clarksville, Tenn. said this particular qualification was the first step of many levels the tank company will fire in the next couple of years.

"This AT was a reset year after deployment and the soldiers are training for whatever future combat missions we could be called on",

said Jennings. While deployed these soldiers were operating other types of equipment than their main battle tank."

Staff Sgt. Michael Smith, 3rd platoon tank commander from Maryville, Tenn. said he had a new gunner this AT and was pleased with the way his crew came together during the firing exercise.

"Whether training or in combat your crew (TC, gunner, ammunition loader and vehicle driver) has to operate as a team. Any weakness or delay can cost time or create confusion and in combat this could be fatal."

"The TC's job is to command the crew and vehicle as well as identify and prioritize the order multiple targets are fired upon by giving (fire) commands," said Sgt. 1st Class Chris Keith, headquarters platoon of Soddy Daisy, Tenn.

"The gunner's job is to scan and identify threats and targets and relay this information to the TC" said gunner Sgt. Bobby Johnson, headquarters platoon, of Chattanooga. "The TC will give the fire command including the target, type of ammunition and/or weapon and I pull the trigger."

Pfc. Brian Wilson, a 1st platoon loader from Kingston, Tenn. said he listens to the TC's fire command, chooses the identified type of ammunition, loads it into the



BIG GUNS... Flame shoots from the M-1A2 Abrams tank of Sgt. 1st Class Chris Keith and crew, Company H, (Rockwood, Tenn.) 2nd Squadron, 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment, Tenn. Army National Guard during tank firing exercise at Camp Shelby, Miss in July 2011. Below right, members of Company H, 2nd Squadron, 278th Armored Cavalry Regiment receive regimental coins from 278th Command Sgt. Major Dan Jennings (right) for shooting high score in the regiment at Camp Shelby, Miss. in July 2011. (from L-R), Sgt. 1st Class Chris Keith, Sgt. Bobby Johnson, Spc. Josh Evans, Spc. Charles Teffeteller.

120MM gun breach, shouts up!, and gets out of the way of the guns recoil.

Pvt. Jonathan Stinson, 1st platoon driver from Jamestown, Tenn. is the youngest member of Company H. He said he graduated from basic training at Fort Knox, Ky. in April of 2011.

Stinson said the drivers job is to move the 62ton (empty) tank in a safe but expedient manner and to position it in a covered and concealed position exposing as little of the tank as possible to the enemy, but enough in order for the TC and gunner to be able to identify threats and targets.

Keith's tank crew won regimental honors during the AT firing exercise. His crew consisted of Johnson as gunner, Spc. Josh Evans of Speedwell, Tenn. as loader and Spc. Charles Teffeteller of Maryville, Tenn. as driver.



Drivers Needed

The G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery VA Medical Center is seeking volunteer van drivers who would drive from Hattiesburg to the Jackson VA Medical Center. For more information, contact Voluntary Service, 601-364-1391.

Pecan Festival

The Mississippi Pecan Festival is currently taking applications for Arts & Crafts booths, Antiques & Collectibles and Children's Activities for this year's festival set for Sept. 23-25 in Richton. If you are interested in any of these booths, please call 601-964-8201 or 601-964-8222 or visit www.mspeccanfestival.com

GED Classes

The Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District is offering free GED classes in Forrest County. Word readiness skills training and job search assistance are also provided through the "Education for Employment" program. Individuals between the ages of 17-21 who have dropped out of school may be eligible. Classes are small and one-on-one instruction is available to prepare students for the GED exam. Financial assistance based on class attendance is available to assist students with child care and transportation costs. Students who attain their GED diploma while officially enrolled may receive \$100. Please call Molly Sims at 601-545-2137 or Jamie Stewart at 601-545-3711 if interested.

Boychoir Auditions

The Mississippi Boychoir kicks off its 17th year as the only non-profit boy choir in Mississippi. Auditions are now being held and may be scheduled by calling 601 549-0473 (Hattiesburg), 601 665-7374 (Jackson) or online www.mississippiboychoir.org. Boys, ages 6-18, who love music and love to sing, make up this noted group of young men who perform across Mississippi and at out-of-state music festivals. Rehearsals are held weekly in rehearsal centers located in Hattiesburg and Jackson.

Group Run/Walk

The Pine Belt Pacers hold a weekly group run/walk starting at 5:30 pm on Thursdays at the USM Gateway to the Long Leaf Trace. The run is free and all levels of ability are encouraged to participate. Prior to beginning the run/walk, participants will have the opportunity to select the distance and pace they plan to run. This weekly run/walk will be a way to meet other runners/walkers of similar ability.

Weekly track sessions are held at Thames Elementary School track at 5:30 each Tuesday. Free coaching advice is offered by experienced runners and coaches.

Additional information about the club may be found at www.pinebelt-pacers.org.

The Y Trippers

White Elephant Bingo begins at 10:45 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 13 and will continue every second Tuesday of the month. This is an opportunity to give away your unwanted possessions and take a change to win another participant's donation. Participants are required to bring at least two new or old items in good condition. Non-member guests are welcome at a none-member fee of \$5 per bingo card (2 card limit for all players).

Line Dance classes will be held at 7 p.m. Thursdays beginning Sept. 1. This is an introductory class that will meet for 6 weeks and teach adult line dancing. No experience needed. Instructors are Richard and Jan Murphy. Cost is \$25 for individual members and \$35 for couple members; \$50 for individual non-members and \$65 for non-member couples.



calendar

Email your event to:
editor@lamar-times.com

Register with the Y's member services.

■ **Minnie's Thursday Crafters** – Every Thursday at 1 p.m. This ongoing group meets to enjoy embroidering, crocheting, knitting and quilting. Free to members. Non-members can purchase a one-time Crafters Thursday Card for \$10.

■ **Round Table Discussion Group**, a Y function only. Ongoing, every Thursday at 10:45 a.m. Dr. Graham Hales and Terry Peters will conduct the discussions. \$5 guest fee.

■ **Covered Dish Luncheon** – at noon, the last Friday of the month at The Family Y. Bring a covered dish. This week's speaker will be Allan Nation, editor of Stockman Grass Farmer Magazine, who will talk about Feeding the People During WWI.

■ **Upcoming Trips** – New York City, Sept. 7-15, \$875. 8 nights lodging, 4 nights in NYC.

New Orleans, Nov. 15-17, \$295, 2 nights lodging

Smoky Mountains "Show Trip" and Dollywood, Nov. 28-Dec. 2, 4 nights lodging

For more information about these and other Y events, call Floanne at 601-583-4000.

LIFT Fall session

Ladies in Fellowship and Training Christian Women's Job Core (LIFT) will begin the fall session at 6 p.m. Aug. 11. The 12-week course will prepare ladies for the job market by developing life and employment skills. For more information, call Main Street Baptist Church at 601-296-8000, or Dora Harbin at 601-584-6626 or Carolyn Parker at 601-268-3258.

JORT auditions

JUST OVER THE RAINBOW THEATRE is holding auditions for "CRIMES OF THE HEART" Monday & Tuesday, Sept. 5 & 6 at 7pm in the JORT theatre, Petal. This Pulitzer Prize winning play by Mississippi writer Beth Henley is the story of the three quirky Magrath sisters, who gather at the family home in Hazlehurst in the midst of more than one bizarre family "tragedy." Directed by Michael Marks, there are roles for 4 females & 2 males at the Petal Cultural Arts Center, 120 S. George Street. STAGE DATES: 27-30 & Nov. 3-5.

JORT 'Greater Tuna'

Just Over the Rainbow Theatre presents its season opener, a dinner theatre production of "Greater Tuna," Sept. 1-4 and Sept. 8-10 at the Petal Cultural Center. The show is directed by Deborah Hardy. "Greater Tuna" is the first play in the wildly popular comedy trilogy by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears and Ed Howard. Two seasons ago, in JORT's production of Tuna Christmas, audiences met the unforgettable residents of Tuna, the third smallest town in Texas—where the Lion's Club is too liberal and Patsy Cline never dies. Now we return to Tuna in the summertime to meet these marvelous characters again...or for the first time...(Prepare to laugh...Michael Garner & Tom Hardy are back!) On Sept. 1-3 & 8-10, Thur., Fri., Sat. evenings, dinner is at 6:30 p.m. with show to follow. On Sept. 4, there will be ONE Sun. matinee with lunch at 1 p.m. and show to follow.

Tickets \$25—RESERVED SEATING ONLY!! 601-583-7778 open 24 hours.

Genealogy meets

South Mississippi Genealogical and History Society and the Hattiesburg Area Historical Society invite the public to a presentation at 7 p.m. Sept. 6. Dick Molpus, president of Molpus Woodland Group will present the program on the "Tatum Lumber Company Headquarters Restoration." The meeting will be held at the old Tatum Lumber Company Church on Bonhomie Road near Hattiesburg. We will carpool from the SMGHS Library, 107 South Park Avenue, Hattiesburg, (Hattiesburg Water Department Building). We will leave at 6:30 p.m. Members and visitors are welcome. Reservations are not required, and there is no fee. For more information, call 601-271-8803.

Revival

Crestview Baptist Church will hold a Fall Revival Sunday, Sept. 4, through Thursday, Sept. 8. Sunday services will be held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. with Monday through Thursday services at 7 p.m. nightly. Freddie McCoy will be the guest speaker and Stevie Dewease and Answered Prayer will be leading the music. A nursery will be provided. The church is located at 771 Hwy 42, Petal. For more information, call 601-582-1559.

Sept. 11 observance

A Celebration of Freedom honoring America's Heroes is set for 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, in the Thomas Fine Arts Center on the Hattiesburg campus of William Carey University. This patriotic event will honor military personnel, veterans, emergency response workers, and those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice. The combined choirs and orchestra from William Carey University, local churches, Hattiesburg High School, Laurel High School, and Sumrall High School will provide music. A military color guard from Camp Shelby will present the flags.

Petal CWJC

The Petal Christian Women's Job Corps will begin its fall session on Sept. 12. This is a 10-week course, meeting from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday - Wednesday. Job-readiness skills, including basic computer keyboarding, and life skills, including Bible study and money management, will be offered. For more information contact Karen Byrd at 601-325-7276.

Dining with Stars

Tables still remain for this year's Salvation Army event, Dining with the Stars, set for Sept. 15 at Lake Terrace Convention Center. Have a chance to meet and greet with 30 celebrities and dine with your favorite star. Special music will be provided by Dr. Mary Ann Kyle and the USM String Quartet. The event will take place at Lake Terrace Convention Center with a meet-and-greet at 6:30 p.m. and main event starting at 7 p.m. A contribution of \$1000 will secure dinner for a table of eight guests. You may also purchase individual tickets for \$100. Please call for your reservation and a list of participating stars. For more information, contact Katie Tate, Community Development Director, The Salvation Army at 601-544-3684

La Leche Family Day

The La Leche League Family Day, celebrating World Breastfeeding Awareness is set from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sept. 24 at the Walthall Center in Downtown Hattiesburg. There will be a walk around 10 a.m. You are asked to decorate your strollers, wagons, baby slings, etc. to show your support for breastfeeding. A potluck lunch will follow at 11 a.m. Please bring a dish to share. There will

also be a silent auction, face painting and children's activities. For more information, call Christy, 601-310-6541, Denise, 601-599-9003 or Michelle, 601-408-0614.

Concert Band

The City of Hattiesburg Concert Band will begin its 29th season with a free concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, in the historic Saenger Theater. The band presents a variety of music – from overtures, marches, solos, musicals, and even big band music.

The first of four concerts for the season will feature oboist Wayne Miller, from Madison, and guest conductor Dr. John Jenkins of Bayou La Batre, Ala. The band is conducted by retired USM Music Professor Dr. Sherman Hong.

The band invites those who play or played an instrument to become members of the all-volunteer regional concert band. There are no auditions and only require that each member does his/her best while having fun. The band rehearses twice before a concert. For more information contact the conductor at 601-264-5848.

JCJC band reunion

Jones County Junior College is inviting anyone who ever participated in the college's band program to come back to campus for a weekend reunion, Sept. 23-24, as part of the Centennial Celebration.

Events include an alumni band that will practice Saturday morning and perform that night at the Jones versus Co-Lin football game; a reunion banquet on Friday night and tailgating prior to the football game. Reunion information can be obtained by contacting the JCJC Alumni Office at 601-477-4049 or via e-mail at maroontyphoonalumni@jcjc.edu. Former members can also receive updates by joining the Facebook group page JCJC Maroon Typhoon Alumni Band and Reunion.

NRCS Meeting

The Lamar County NRCS Office will be conducting a NRCS Outreach meeting at 6 p.m. Sept. 27 at the Oak Grove Voting Precinct located behind the library at 4956 Old Highway 11. This Outreach is a way of conducting business that ensures the under-served individuals and other groups of Lamar County are made aware of, understand and have a working knowledge of USDA programs and services. For planning purposes, Lamar County residents must register with your local NRCS office at 601 794 5600 X3 no later than Sept. 22. A light supper will be provided.

Easters in Concert

Jeff & Sheri Easter will be in concert at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, at Heritage United Methodist Church on Hwy 98 West at Baracuda Drive in Hattiesburg (Oak Grove). No admission charged, but a love offering will be taken. Concert to benefit Edwards Street Fellowship Center Food Pantry. Doors open at 6 p.m. For more information, call 601-544-6149.

Career Exploration

The University of Southern Mississippi's Frances Karnes Center for Gifted Studies and Forrest General Hospital's Spirit of Women will co-host the annual Career Explorations for Girls Conference Oct. 8 on the Hattiesburg campus. The registration deadline is Sept. 30.

The conference is for girls in grades 7-12 and each must be accompanied by her mother or another adult female. Participants do not need to be enrolled in gifted education to attend. There is no charge for the conference and lunch is included.

To register for the conference, call The Frances A. Karnes Center for Gifted Studies at 601-266-5236; or online, visit <http://www.usm.edu/gifted/>

Shelter Benefit

Vines of the World Wine Tasting & Auction, an event supporting South Mississippi Children's Shelter, is set for 6-10 p.m. Sept. 30 at The Venue, 127 Buschman Street, Downtown Hattiesburg. Tickets can be purchased at Blooms, Click Boutique, The Kitchen Table, Fine Wine Liquor & Loft and Franklin Hills Interior. For more information contact Adrienne Hicks, 601.543.8028

ACS Walk

Join the American Cancer Society in the fight against breast cancer at its 2011 Annual Making Strides Against Breast Cancer of Hattiesburg Oct. 29. This inspiring 5K walk unites the entire community to honor and celebrate breast cancer survivors, educate women about the importance of early detection and prevention, and raise money to fund life-saving research and support programs to further the progress against this disease. Through events like Making Strides Against Breast Cancer the American Cancer Society is saving lives and creating a world with less breast cancer and more birthdays. The walk is set for 9 a.m. Oct. 29 at Pride Field on the University of Southern Mississippi's Pride Field. Registration opens at 8 a.m. For more information or to form a team, call 1-800-227-2345 or visit <http://www.makingstrideshattiesburg.org>.

William Carey Univ.

Sept. 1 – 4:30-5:30 p.m. Opening reception for the South Mississippi Art Association Exhibit, Lucile Parker Gallery, Thomas Fine Arts Center, William Carey University. Exhibit will hang through Sept. 15. Free admission. Regular gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 1-4 p.m., except during university holidays. 601-318-6528 or 601-318-6192

Sept. 11 – 3 p.m. "Celebration of Freedom" concert honoring our military heroes. Features choirs and orchestras from William Carey University, local churches and high schools. Smith Auditorium, Thomas Fine Arts Center, William Carey University. Free admission. 601-318-6175

Sept. 22 – 4-6 p.m. Opening reception for art exhibit by Cooper Michael French, Sarah Ellen Gillespie Museum of Art, William Carey University. Exhibit will hang through Oct. 14. Free admission. Regular museum hours are Monday-Friday, 1-4 p.m. 601-318-6148

At the library...

HATTIESBURG, PETAL, FORREST COUNTY LIBRARIES:

■ **Petal Library Storytime** (714 S. Main Street). Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays, activities, and fun! For children ages 2-5 years old. Thursdays at 10 a.m.

■ Call Melanie Tucker at 601-582-4461 for more information.

■ **OAK GROVE LIBRARY**

The library will be closed on Saturday, Sept. 3; Monday, Sept. 5; and Friday, Sept. 30

■ **Family Story Time** with Deborah – 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Same program both days

■ **Classics Book Club** with Gayle – 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 1, "A Separate Peace" by John Knowles

■ **Membership Party** and Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Oak Grove Public Library, 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8. Guest Speaker will be Shellie Zeigler (Blind and Physically Handicapped Services Director at the Mississippi Library Commission). Refreshments and fellowship as well as a recap of Friends' activities. Bbecome a Friend, renew your membership

■ **Food Group Book Club** (FGBC) – 6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12. It's a book club rolled into a food group! Read a book, make a dish based on the book, come ready to eat and discuss what you've read

■ **Lamar County Genealogy**

Society – 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, Cherokee Indian and historian Chris Penick will be the guest speaker.

■ **AfterSchool Craft** for All Ages with Deborah – 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16, sunflower wreaths.

■ **Daytime Book Club** with Judy – 2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20, "Rising from Katrina: How my Mississippi Hometown Lost it All and Found What Mattered" by Kathleen Koch

■ **Threads** – 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, a group for knitters, crocheters, needle crafters, etc...

■ **Scrabble Club!** – 5:45 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, Scrabble, food, fun!

Classes, programs:

■ **CENTER FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN ACTIVITIES IN PETAL**

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■ **Toy lending and parent resource library** for all ages

■ **Information about childcare centers and pre-schools** in Petal

■ **Itty Bitty Bookworm Store** – Shop for free books for preschoolers

■ **Playshop for pre-schoolers** - First Thursday of each month

■ **Other Opportunities:**

■ **Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)** and Medicaid enrollment assistance is available the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 9 am to 12 noon each month.

■ **Free GED classes** are offered on Monday and Wednesday each week from 4:30 pm until 8:00 pm. Registration is on Monday from 4:30 to 5:00

■ **Petal – A Certified Early Childhood Community.** Call 601-584-4704 or stop by the Center for Families and Children, 201 West Central Avenue, Petal. Hours: 8-4:30 M W; 8-6:00 T, Th; 8-3:30 F.

County Government:

The Lamar County Board of Supervisors meets the first Monday and third Thursday of each month beginning at 9 a.m. in the board room in the Chancery Courthouse in Purvis.

City Government:

■ **The Lumberton Board of Aldermen** meets at 6 p.m. the first and third Tuesday of each month at City Hall.

■ **The Purvis Board of Aldermen** meets at 6 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at City Hall

■ **The Sumrall Board of Aldermen** meets at 6:30 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month at City Hall. A planning meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month.

Groups, Organizations

■ **The Petal Optimist Club** meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Optimist Clubhouse.

■ **The Library of the South Mississippi Genealogical and Historical** is open each Saturday morning from 9 AM to 12 noon except on major holidays.

■ It is also open at 6 p.m. before each Hattiesburg Area Historical Society meeting. Appointments at other times can be arranged by calling the librarian at (601) 271-8803. The group holds monthly meetings and presentations on various topics. For more information, call 601-271-8803.

■ **The Pine Belt Collectors Club** meets on the fourth Sunday of each month at 3 p.m. in The Doll Corner of the Calico Antique Mall, 309 East Pine Street, Hattiesburg. Join in fun and education in regard to a variety of dolls – new, antique, Barbie.

■ If you have a doll you want to know more about, bring it to a meeting. For more information, call 601-584-6422.

■ **The Lamar County Historical Society Museum** is open from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturdays. The museum complex is located in Purvis next to the library. Those who wish to join the Historical Society can contact Myrna Lazenby, treasurer, at 601-794-6585.

Campbell trying out for All-Army Soccer team this fall

By 2nd Lt. KEVIN McGEE
371st Sustainment
Brigade Public Affairs

PERSONNEL PROFILE OFFICER

With more than 1,300 Ohio soldiers at Camp Shelby conducting Post Pre-Mobilization Training and annual training, the Adjutant of the Task Force Provider, 2nd Lt. Steven Campbell, has the task of tracking all of the personnel details for the Ohio soldiers that are attending annual training in August.

The fact that Campbell is getting a lot of practice in his daily duties will assist him when he travels to Ft. Benning, Ga. to try-out for the All Army Soccer Team in October.

Under the Command of Lt. Col. Mark Cappone, Task Force Provider at Camp Shelby is comprised of more than 200 soldiers

from the 371st Sustainment Brigade based in Springfield and Newark, Ohio.

The force is at Camp Shelby for most of August, September and October to provide life support and site control for the Pre and Post Mobilization Training of Ohio's 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team that will deploy in the next few months.

Campbell's job as the Task Force Adjutant requires him to monitor and report critical information to the Commander; and track matters that pertain to the personnel of the units of the 371st Sustainment

Brigade that are part of Task Force Provider in Camp Shelby as well as the units of Task Force ROC and Task Force Saber.

Like most of the Ohio Soldiers currently training at Camp Shelby, Campbell is here for his two week annual training period.

Back in Ohio his typical M-Day role at the 371st Headquarters and Headquarters Company in Springfield is Strength Management Officer in the Adjutant or S-1 shop.

He also works at the Columbus, Ohio Military Entrance Processing Station where he works as the

Operations Officer.

It is very notable that 2nd Lt. Campbell's invitation to tryout for the All Army Soccer Team has come about because he is a member of the Cincinnati Saints semi-professional soccer team.

Campbell has enjoyed his time here at CSJFTC. He says of his visit, "Camp Shelby is a great place to work. The installation creates a great work environment and the full-time staff has really assisted with our mission's success. They make things happen for our Ohio units.

2nd Lt. Campbell hails from Cincinnati, Ohio where his family includes his one-year old daughter Kaiyln Renee and her mother Amy. He is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati with a Bachelor of Science in Communications and



2nd Lt. Steven Campbell

where he received his commission through the Reserve Officer Training Corp.

He has attended basic training at Ft. Knox, Ky. and Air Assault School at Ft. Benning, Ga.

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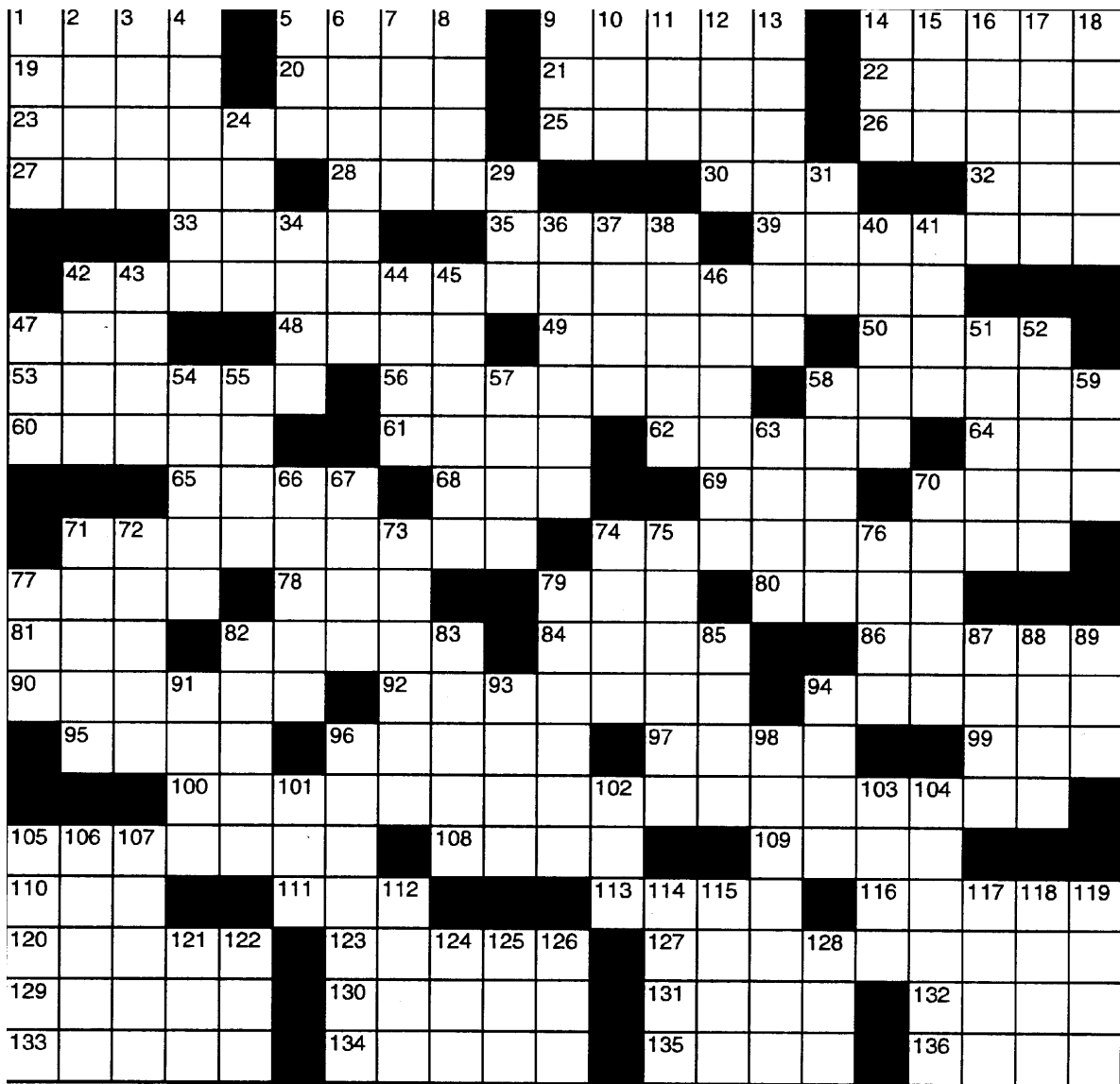
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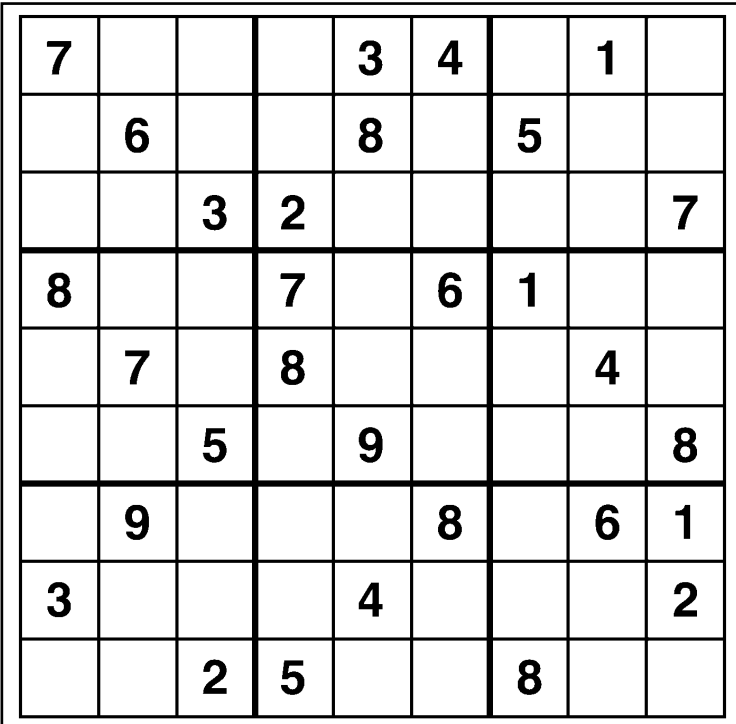
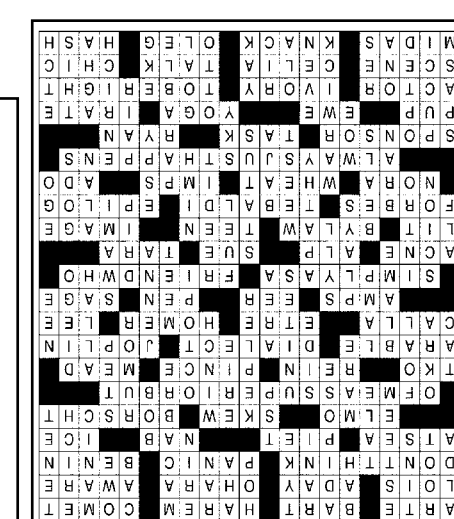
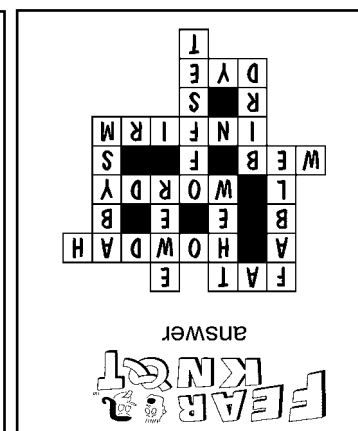
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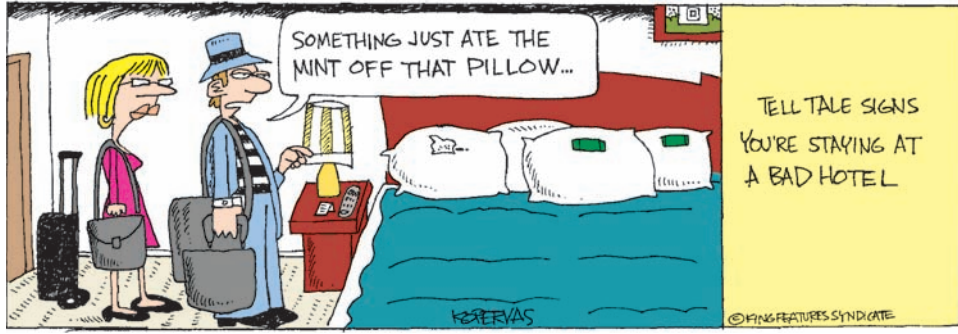
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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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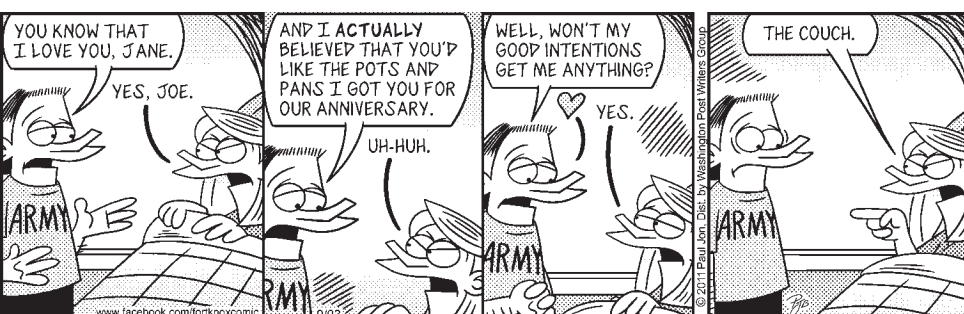
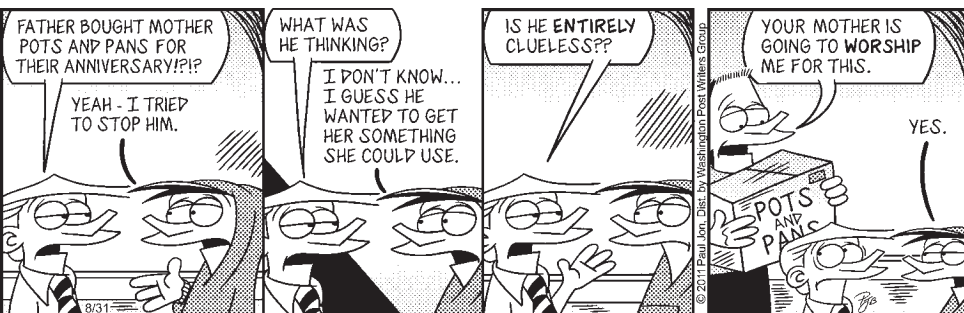
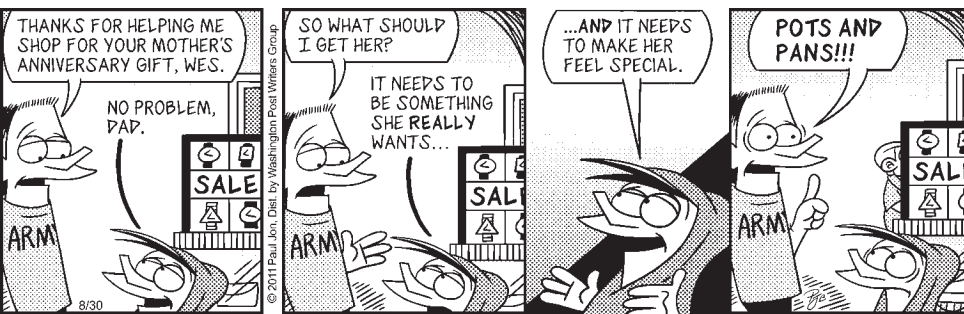
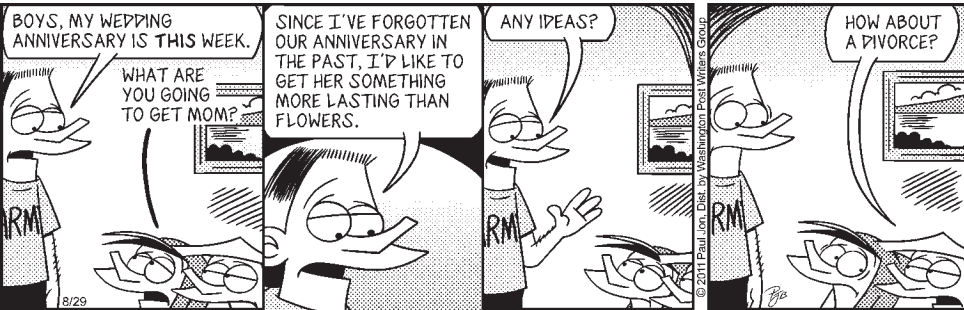
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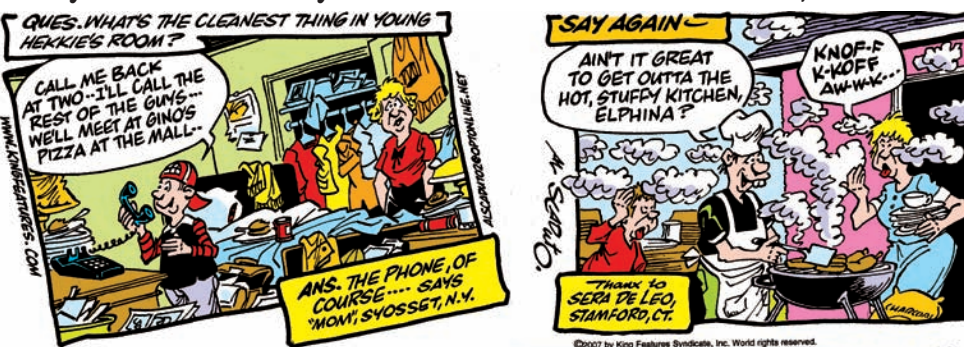
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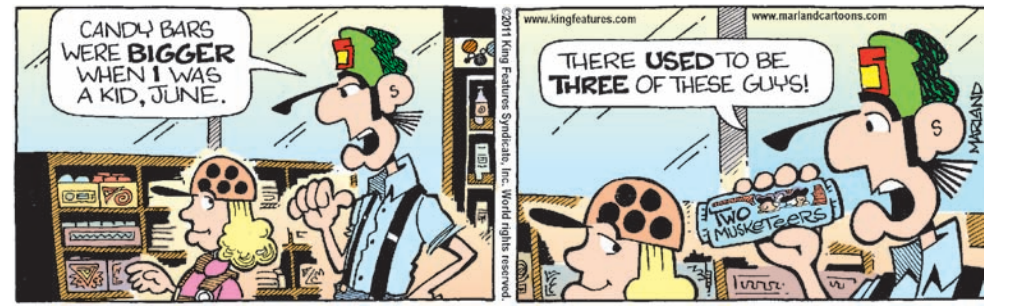
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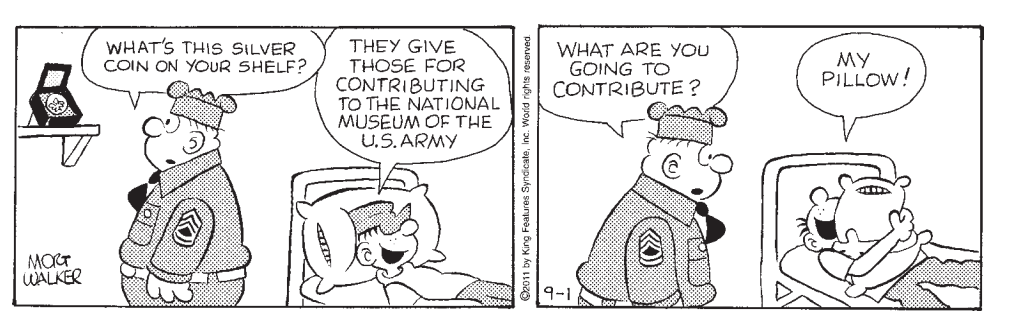
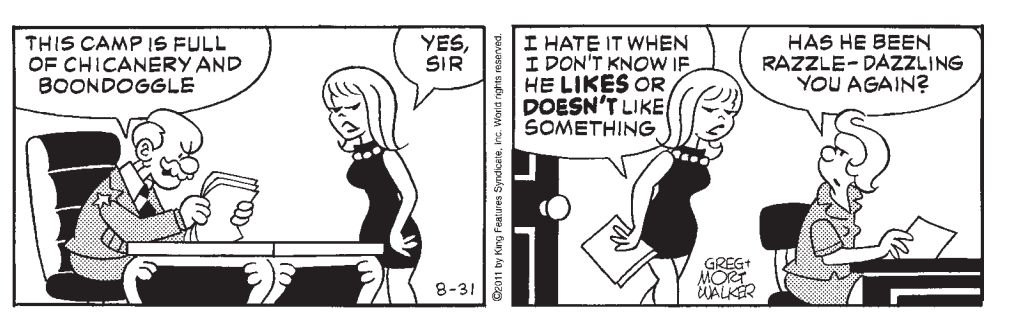
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IRMTB donates school supplies

By **DANA ELISE SMITH**
Camp Shelby Public Affairs

On July 28, Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center's Individual Replacement Medical and Transition Battalion, also known as the Replacement Company, donated over 200 dollars worth of school supplies to N.R. Burger Middle School.

The items were presented to Linda Leggett, the social worker of N.R. Burger Middle School. The items donated included notebooks, binders, paper, writing utensils, rulers, craft glue, crayons and folders. This is the second year in a row that the replacement company has donated supplies. Capt. Bridgette Taylor and Sgt. Marieka Thompson contacted the school last year offering assistance.

"Since then we developed a relationship or partnership with the soldiers of the replacement company. We know

that students do better when parents are involved in their education. When the community gets involved they can do even better," said Leggett.

The supplies are for students who may not have what they need for a particular day or those whose parents cannot afford what they need.

"Instead of teachers turning them out of the class because they don't have something, we make sure they get what they need so they can stay involved in their class," said Leggett.

"I am proud of the replacement company for doing this," said Cmd. Sgt. Maj. Perry Campbell, the command sergeant major of IRMTB.

"They get involved in various different events several times a year. Any time they get the opportunity to serve the community they do. The staff members are family and community oriented; they just have a heart to reach out," he said.



Photo by Dana Elise Smith/Camp Shelby Public Affairs

BACK TO SCHOOL... Camp Shelby's Individual Replacement Medical and Transition Battalion presented Linda Leggett, N.R. Burger Middle School's social worker, with over 200 dollars worth of school supplies that will equip children in need for the school year on July 28. Seated from left to right: Cmd. Sgt. Maj. Perry Campbell, Maj. Karey Elias, Linda Leggett, Capt. Bridgette Taylor, 1st Sgt. Stanley Mitchell. Standing from left to right: Sgt. 1st Class Terry Reynard, 1st Sgt. Keith Jennings, Spec .Heidi Dishaw, Sgt. Marieka Thompson, Sgt. 1st Class Ethel Myers, Sgt. Latoya Spencer, 1st Lt. Joseph Henderson, Standing back row from left to right: 1st Lt. Cory Martin, Officer Candidate Ray Harvey, Sgt. 1st Class James Scarbrough, Sgt. Terrence Taylor, Sgt. Fitzgerald Graham, Sgt. Wesley Holcomb and Staff Sgt. Howard Achoe.

Sanchez is museum's new collections technician

By **DANA ELISE SMITH**
Camp Shelby Public Affairs

Heather Sanchez, a native of Laurel, has just been hired as a collections technician at the Mississippi Armed Forces Museum at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center.

Sanchez said she is currently familiarizing herself with the museum and the staff.

"The staff at the museum has been incredibly welcoming and supportive as I begin my time here. I look forward to continue getting to know my

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colleagues and learn from their various areas of expertise," she said.

Her job requires her to work closely with the museum's registrar, general conservator, arms conservator, archivist and curator in order to aid in preservation efforts and exhibit development.

Sanchez holds a bachelor's degree in history and anthropology from the University of Southern Mississippi.

She is currently finishing her curriculum for a master's degree in cultural anthropology. She plans to graduate in December.

In her spare time she enjoys many diverse interests including watching and making documentaries, playing guitar and learning new instruments. She is currently teaching herself to play the mandolin and banjo.

She has been acting as an advocate for the Forrest County Environmental Support Team, an organization that focuses on environmental justice work, for the past four years.

She also admits that she is an avid world traveler.

"I am always planning my next trip," she said, "I think France may be the next on my list. Crepes anyone?"

Her Family includes three rescue dogs and three rescue cats. She is very close to her mother, Teresa Sanchez, who is a Registered Nurse in Laurel. She has two brothers; Michael and Scott and a sister-in-law, Ashlie. Her stepfather, Sgt. Doug Laney is a member of the Mississippi Army National Guard and is currently serving in Afghanistan.



Heather Sanchez

