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214th Fires Brigade photo

3rd Georgian Brigade Command Sgt. Maj. Revaz Mtsituri unfurls the brigade's colors Oct. 8 marking the relocation of the 3rd Georgian Brigade headquarters to Forward Operating Base Delta.

## Georgian Brigade uncases colors, ready for operations

214TH FIRES BRIGADE PUBLIC AFFAIRS

FOB DELTA — The 3rd Georgian Brigade uncased its colors in a ceremony today at FOB Delta.

The ceremony lets everyone know that the brigade headquarters is here and the brigade is fully mission capable, said Maj. Gen. Rick Lynch, the Multi-National Division — Center and Task Force Marne commander. Looking at the brigade's history which dates little less than three years, Lynch said he was impressed by the Georgian brigade's ability.

The 3rd Georgian Brigade was created by order of the Georgian Ministry of Defence in December 2004. Its soldiers have participated in peacekeeping operations in Kosovo, Turkey and Iraq.

The 3rd Georgian Brigade deployed about 2,000 soldiers to Iraq to "safeguard the security of the FOB Delta; provide emergency response to the Coalition units; ensure safety of U.S. (Explosive Ordnance Disposal) engineering units during their assignments if necessary, build patrol bases and checkpoints; and perform operations to maintain stability and safety in Wasit province, said Maj. Shavlego Tabatadze, the 3rd Georgian Brigade commander.

"We are proud to be a part of the Coalition Forces, and we are ready to help the Iraqi people in their rebuilding efforts to ensure the country's stability and security," Tabatadze said. "Georgians are here to stand by every Iraqi citizen to meet his or her needs in

rebuilding the country. We will do everything in our power to resist the oppression of Iraqi people, and to provide them with a stable and peaceful environment in which to live.

"We all know that every military operation requires tremendous efforts in order to overcome existing difficulties and problems. To that end, our brigade received various trainings to help them better prepare for the challenges ahead. Challenges that started right in Georgia, continued in Kuwait, and followed us all the way in Iraq on FOB Delta," Tabatadze said.

"Each military serviceman/service-woman knows that these challenges are tough, but honorable, and that each of us represents the face of his or her country and armed forces," he said

# Marne history

October 9, 1944

## 1st Lt. Kandle, Victor L.

On 9 October 1944, at about noon, near La Forge, France, 1st Lt. Kandle, while leading a reconnaissance patrol into enemy territory, engaged in a duel at point-blank range with a German field officer and killed him. Having already taken 5 enemy prisoners that morning, he led a skeleton platoon of 16 men, reinforced with a light machine-gun squad, through fog and over precipitous mountain terrain to fall on the rear of a German quarry stronghold which had checked the advance of an infantry battalion for 2 days. Rushing forward, several yards ahead of his assault elements, 1st Lt. Kandle fought his way into the heart of the enemy strongpoint, and, by his boldness and audacity, forced the Germans to surrender. Harassed by machinegun fire from a position which he had bypassed in the dense fog, he moved to within 15 yards of the enemy, killed a German machinegunner with accurate rifle fire and led his men in the destruction of another machinegun crew and its rifle security elements. Finally, he led his small force against a fortified house held by 2 German officers and 30 enlisted men. After establishing a base of fire, he rushed forward alone through an open clearing in full view of the enemy, smashed through a barricaded door, and forced all 32 Germans to surrender. His intrepidity and bold leadership resulted in the capture or killing of 3 enemy officers and 54 enlisted men, the destruction of 3 enemy strongpoints, and the seizure of enemy positions which had halted a battalion attack.



## Rockin'



Sgt. 1st Class Angela McKinzie

Bret Michaels, the former lead singer for the music rock group Poison, plays his guitar during a concert he hosted at Camp Striker Oct. 7.

### correction

Yesterday's cover photo cutline should have said: Sgt. Melissa Solomon, a paralegal in the 504th Military Intelligence Brigade, and Chief Warrant Officer James Adams, a network engineer with Special Troops Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division, perform the Meregue during the Hispanic heritage celebration at the Task Force Marne Dining Facility Oct. 7.

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# 300 Sheiks gather, plan security transition

**MAJ. JOE SOWERS**

3RD HBCT, 3RD INF. DIV.

FOB HAMMER – Iraqi governmental officials met with more than 300 sheikhs from the Mada'in Qada in Baghdad to discuss the way ahead for reconciliation in their area Oct. 4, home to approximately 1 million Iraqis.

Leaders from the 3rd Heavy Brigade

Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division and Multi-National Division - Center attended as observers.

"When this many sheiks attend a meeting such as this, it is an indicator that the people are tired of the violence and have a desire to return to normalcy," said Maj. Dave Fivecoat from Delaware, Ohio, 3rd HBCT operations officer.



courtesy photo

Brig. Gen. James Huggins, deputy commanding general for maneuver of the Multi-National Division-Center, talks with an Iraqi governmental official as they move to a sheik meeting in Baghdad Oct. 4.

The sheikhs agreed security in the qada had improved since the arrival of the 3rd HBCT in March 2007, and pledged to continue cooperation with U.S. and Iraqi Security Forces to fight terrorism. To that end, they discussed a plan that would lead to the eventual acceptance of concerned local citizens into the Iraqi Security Forces.

The sheikhs also proposed a plan to increase coordina-

tion between tribal leaders and the government.

U.S. commanders hold out the Concerned Citizens Programs as Iraq's best hope for reconciliation and stabilization from the ground up, but stress that the concerned citizens must, in a timely manner, be folded into the official Iraqi Security Forces.

According to Maj. Jeremy Moore, 3rd HBCT Iraqi Security Force liaison, the meeting was a positive step toward that transition.

"We are optimistic that their inclusion will ultimately enable the ISF to accurately represent and effectively secure the local populace," Moore said.

In the meantime, actions and intelligence from the concerned citizens have led to a dramatic turnaround in the security situation.

"We've seen a large increase in tips that have led to the seizure of caches in the areas where concerned citizen groups are formed," said Maj. Rhett Griner, 3rd HBCT effects coordinator. "We have received 34 tips that have led to the arrest of 91 insurgents in the last 90 days."

The 3rd HBCT, 3rd Inf. Div., is from Fort Benning, Ga.

## Safety Thought of the Day

### Grounding - Reducing electrical hazards

- Grounding of electrical equipment is the primary method of reducing electrical hazards.

- Equipment such as communication receivers and transmitters, portable electric tools, electrical equipment in damp locations, television antenna towers, electrical equipment in flammable storage areas, and electrical equipment operated with over 150 volts must be grounded.

- Bonding, connecting two pieces of equipment by a wire or cable conductor, equalizes any potential for static or sparking.

- Bonding allows for a low resistance path to the ground.

- Bonding and grounding together are

used for electrical systems.

- Earth grounding conductors (ground wire or cable):

- Conductor must be as large as possible: at least # 6 AWG (American Wire Gauge).

- The conductor should be copper or copper clad aluminum.

- The conductor should be continuous between the equipment and earth grounding electrode; do not splice.

- Ensure conductor is not damaged or heavily corroded.

- Run the conductor as straight and short as possible.

- Minimize any twists, loops, or sharp bends. This will increase the conductors impedance.

## Headline Highlights

# That's alcoholism; say thanks; big bird shot

### Charges dismissed in sherry enema death

HOUSTON (Reuters) — Charges have been dropped against a Texas woman who was accused of giving her husband a sherry enema that killed him, the prosecutor in the case said on Wednesday.

Tammy Jean Warner had been scheduled to face trial for negligent homicide in the May 2004 death of Michael Warner, 58, but Brazoria County District Attorney Jeri Yenne said the charges were dismissed a month ago for lack of evidence.

The dead man had had "a severe alcohol issue" and it was not clear his wife had committed a crime, Yenne said in a telephone interview.

"Let's say I have lung cancer and I continue to smoke. If you provide cigarettes to me, is that negligent homicide?" Yenne said.

"I really wrestled with the consent issue and negligence issue. I didn't think it rose to the level of negligent homicide."

At the time of Warner's indictment in 2005, police told the Houston Chronicle the woman had given her husband two large bottles of sherry, which raised his blood alcohol level to 0.47 percent, or nearly six times the level considered legally drunk in Texas.

Warner admitted administering the enema but denied she caused the death of her husband, who was a machine-shop operator. The incident occurred at their home in Lake Jackson, near

Houston.

She told the newspaper her husband was addicted to enemas and often used alcohol in that manner. Police said Warner had a throat ailment that left him unable to drink the sherry.

Warner could not be reached for comment on Wednesday.

Yenne said a charge that Warner had burned her husband's will a month before his death was also dropped.

"We were never able to verify there was a signed, executed document," she said.

### "Gift rage" lands worker in court?

TOKYO (Reuters) — A disgruntled Japanese worker smashed up his employer's office in a fit of pique after his boss ignored his gift of jelly desserts, a national paper said on Thursday.

An Osaka court heard that the 31-year-old man, who worked for an online clothing sales company, had given the company president a box of jellies in the summer as a mark of gratitude after landing the job, the English-language Asahi Shimbun said.

Many Japanese maintain a tradition of sending gifts to important business contacts in summer and winter.

When the employee realized that his boss had left the box of jellies unopened under his desk, he smashed 22 computers in the office with a truncheon, the paper said. No one was injured in the incident.

The man pleaded guilty to charges

of obstructing business with force, the paper said.

"I wish the company president had cared a little more," the paper quoted the employee's lawyer as saying.

Prosecutors said the employer had been too busy to open the gift, the paper said.

### Man sentenced in "pride" killing of ostrich

SAN FRANCISCO (Reuters) — A U.S. man was sentenced to five months in jail after he and a friend, acting on wounded pride, gunned down an ostrich that had kicked them as their female companions laughed, a newspaper reported on Saturday.

"This whole thing is about male pride," prosecutor Steve Wagstaffe said, according to the San Francisco Chronicle.

The powerful flightless bird, named Gaylord, kicked Timothy McKeivitt, 19, and Jonathon Porter, 21, last October when they trespassed on an ostrich ranch south of San Francisco after a night of drinking, the paper cited attorneys as saying.

As the startled bird attacked, the women began to laugh, prosecutors said. McKeivitt was kicked in the ribs and knocked over, while Porter suffered scrapes and bruises.

The two men returned with a rifle and shotgun seeking revenge, the Chronicle said. They fired at least seven shots at Gaylord, according to a police report.

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from Sudoku: The Original Brain Workout From Japan

**Solution to yesterday's puzzle:**

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## ARABIC WORD OF THE DAY

Danger

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