

Tractor trailer training at JSS Constitution

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BAGHDAD- Engineers from the 101st Engineer Battalion conducted training on Iraqi tractor trailers with Soldiers from the 6th IA Field Engineer Regiment on Joint Security Station Constitution, Dec. 16.

Five Iraqi Soldiers from the 6th IA FER attended the class taught by Staff. Sgt. Frank Lopez, of Webster, Mass., and Sgt. Steve Cyr, of Uxbridge, Mass. This course covered preventative maintenance checks and services, driver’s training, hook up of the trailer, and how to properly tie down equipment.

“This course was different than the others- We trained the Soldiers on a piece of their own equipment,” said Cyr. “We had to adapt, but we take what we learn from the military and apply it to their equipment.”

The 6th IA FER is responsible for multiple types of engineering projects, to include construction, route clearance, and transporting and maintaining equipment.

The trailer is a very important piece of equipment because it is the best way to haul heavy equipment to a job site.

The trailer hauls equipment that is used to place reinforcement barriers and increase security, according to Lt. Ammar, a platoon leader with the 6th IA FER.



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Sgt. Cleveland Wade (left), of Akron, Ohio, 1192nd Engineer Company, watches as Pvt. Ahmed Sabar Abdulhamaza, 6th IA FER, secures a load onto the tractor trailer. Abdulhamaza attended the three day course taught by Soldiers of the 101st Engineer Battalion at Joint Security Station Constitution on Dec. 16.

“This type of equipment cannot be driven faster than 5 kilometers per hour-Being able to load [the heavy equipment] on the trailer to transport it to the job site cuts down on the time it takes to complete a mission,” said Lt. Ammar.

The tractor trailer used during the training is a new piece of equipment for the 6th IA. Of the five Soldiers who attended the class, only one has had previous experience with the equipment.

Lt. Ammar is responsible for choosing which of Iraqi Soldiers will attend training like this. “When I assign who is to attend, I always take one Soldier who will be the primary op-

erator and additional Soldiers who will form a basic understanding that they can build on after the course,” said Lt. Ammar.

Ammar is thankful for the opportunity to train with Soldiers of the 101st Engineer Battalion. He has already noticed a difference in the way his Soldiers operate and maintain the equipment.

Upon completion of the training each Soldier was presented a certificate by the 101st Eng. Bn. Commander, Lt. Col. Charles Cody, of Braintree, Mass.

“Take care of your equipment, and it will take care of you, the more you learn, the better you will be,” said Cody.



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Sgt. Cleveland Wade (center), of Akron, Ohio, 1192nd Engineer Company, explains to Pvt. Amar Kamil Wash (left) and Lt. Ammar, both with the 6th IA FER, how the emergency brake works. Wade trained Soldiers of the 6th IA on their new piece of equipment Dec. 16.

Cavalry troops search for caches in Taji

By Pfc. Adam Halleck

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Sgt. Fabrizo Bustos, an armor crewman, takes cover behind a pillar while pulling security during a search for caches at the Nassir Factory Complex in Taji, Dec. 20.



TAJI, Iraq – Staff Sgt. Jereme Espinosa (right), an armor crewman, shows a map to Staff Sgt. Carl Hendricks, an infantryman during a cache search at the Nassir Factory Complex in Taji, Dec. 20.



Spc. Joshua Rayburn, an armor crewman, walks through a scrap yard at the Nassir Factory Complex in Taji, Dec. 20.



Staff Sgt. Jereme Espinosa, an armor crewman, searches for weapons caches in a field of rusted pipes at the Nassir Factory Complex in Taji, Dec. 20.

U.S. Soldiers build ties to future of Iraq

By Pfc. Kimberly Hackbarth

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BAGHDAD – In an old, debris-covered rail yard destroyed by violence once upon a time, U.S. Soldiers formed bonds with Iraqi children during a humanitarian aid drop west of Baghdad, Dec. 16.

Soldiers with 4th Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division attended the drop to support the Iraqi Army's humanitarian efforts; needed to relieve high numbers of internally displaced persons and homeless people in the area.

Along with watching over the aid drop of winter necessities such as blankets, food and water, the American Soldiers connected with children of the area by talking with them, giving them candy and teaching them dance moves.

"Hopefully, when those children grow up, they remember the positives that the U.S. Army brought to their country," said 1st Lt. Matthew Weisner, from East Fishkill, N.Y. "It is very important for U.S. Soldiers to be very aware of that and work with the Iraqi youth."

Sergeant 1st Class Robert Hord agreed and added that the children he and his Soldiers communicate with while on missions are the ones who are going to be running the country in the future, so the good things done for children will have positive effects.

"If they have a good perception of America and American Soldiers then we can instill the same values, principles and beliefs that we have," said Hord, a Palestine, Texas native. "When they grow up and their place is to make changes in the Government of Iraq, they can and they will know what right looks like."

For the Soldiers of 4th SBCT, 2nd Inf. Div., helping the Iraqis help themselves is the key to success in Iraq.

Showing the local kindness and helping them get on their feet may inspire them to repay that same kindness to another local national down the road, therefore spreading goodwill throughout the country, said Hord.

Through this and future aid missions with the IA, the 4th SBCT will continue to spread goodwill and strengthen the future of Iraq: its children.



Photo by Pfc. Kimberly Hackbarth

Maj. Kevin Saatkamp, operations officer for 1st Battalion, 38th Infantry Regiment, 4th Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, from Center Moriches, N.Y., shakes hands with an Iraqi child during a humanitarian aid drop here, Dec. 16.

New policy on firearms in effect

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16, FORT HOOD, Texas - A new command policy regarding registration requirements for privately-owned firearms was signed into effect Dec. 15 by Lt. Gen. Robert Cone, III Corps and Fort Hood commanding general.

The policy, and Fort Hood Regulation 190-11, requires all servicemembers and their families living, residing or temporarily

staying on Fort Hood to register any POF kept on post with the Directorate of Emergency Services.

Servicemembers living in barracks or in post temporary housing must notify their immediate commander of the possession of POFs and keep the weapon in their respective unit arms room in accordance with Army Regulation 190-11 and Fort Hood Regulation 190-11, the policy states.

Servicemembers and their families living, residing or temporarily

staying on Fort Hood will immediately notify DES of any sale, purchase, trade, gift, exchange or any other action that changes the ownership or long-term possession of a POF kept on the installation.

The policy states that "All persons, whether servicemember or civilian, who intend to transport a POF onto Fort Hood must first register that firearm with DES." When entering Fort Hood, all persons are required to declare to access control point personnel that

they are bringing a POF onto the installation.

"POFs being transported onto Fort Hood will, at all times, be accompanied by post registration documentation and are subject to inspection."

The new policy is punitive in nature and applies to all III Corps and Fort Hood servicemembers, major subordinate units, tenant activities and family members across Fort Hood.

On This Day In History

December 22, 1984

The Bernhard Goetz subway shooting

On the New York City subway, Bernhard Goetz, a 45-year-old white male, shoots four young black men after they surround him and ask for \$5. After wounding three of the unarmed men, Goetz pointed his gun at 18-year-old Darrell Cabey, who was not wounded but cowering terrified in the subway car, and said, "You don't look too bad, here's another." Goetz then shot Cabey in the back, severing his spinal cord. Three of the youths recovered, but Cabey was paralyzed and suffered permanent brain damage.

Goetz, who fled the scene of the crime, turned himself in to police in New Hampshire nine days later. During his subsequent interrogation, Goetz admitted on videotape that when one of the threatening young men smirked at him, he wanted to "kill them all." The seemingly racially motivated shooting caused considerable controversy in New York and around the country, especially after Goetz pleaded innocent to charges of attempted murder in the subsequent criminal trial.

Goetz's lawyers argued that the men were trying to rob him and that he was only acting in self-defense, while the prosecution maintained that the four young men were merely panhandling. The case proved particularly divisive in New York City, where racial tensions were high. In 1987, Goetz was cleared of murder and assault charges, but was convicted of illegal gun possession and served 250 days in prison. In April 1996, Darrell Cabey won a civil lawsuit against Goetz and was awarded \$43 million by a Bronx jury. Goetz declared bankruptcy soon after the rulings.

MND-B Pic of the day!



Photo by Sgt. Travis Zielinski, 1st ACB, 1st Cav. Div. Public Affairs

To find out about issues with the current UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter phase, Chief Warrant Officer 5 Shawn Marrin (left), from Lantana, Fla., the maintenance test pilot section chief talks with Black Hawk mechanics Spc. Casey Henson (middle), from Dallas, and Spc. Jesse Hooker (right), from Shreveport, La., here, Dec 13.

FAMOUS FEATS OF CHUCK NORRIS



DID YOU KNOW?

In the movie "The Matrix", Chuck Norris is the Matrix. If you pay close attention in the green "falling code" scenes, you can make out the faint texture of his beard.

Quote For Today

“One of the truest tests of integrity is its blunt refusal to be compromised.”

- Chinua Achebe -

Iraq 3-Day Weather Report



Today
69° F | 55° F



Tomorrow
68° F | 50° F



Thursday
73° F | 51° F

TRIVIA TIME!!

What country sent reinforcements in the form of “Division Azul” to aid Germany in its WWII attack on the Soviet Union?

Last Issue's Answer: THE APARTHEID

Cav Round-Up radio newscast available

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Today's Cav Round-Up # 221 was produced by SFC Brian Scott, MND-B Public Affairs Office. This newscast includes the following stories:
1. With the help of U.S. forces, an Iraqi woman is building a brighter future for hundreds of children that have lost a parent. Interviews with Lt. Col.

Kelly Jackson, 30th Heavy Brigade Combat Team, 1st Lt. Michael Angeli, 30th HBCT, Ms. Lameaa Olewi, President and founder of the al-Rawasi orphanage.
2. Soldiers from the 101st Engineer Battalion conduct drivers training with their Iraqi counterparts from Iraq's 6th Army.

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Trigger's Tease

		3	9				5	1
5	4	6		1	8	3		
				7	4	2		
		9		5			3	
2			6		3			4
	8			7		2		
	9	7	3					
		1	8	2		9	4	7
8	5				4	6		

The objective of the game is to fill all the blank squares in a game with the correct numbers. There are three very simple constraints to follow: **Every row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order. Every column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order. Every 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.**

Every Sudoku game begins with a number of squares already filled in. The more squares that are known the easier it is to figure out which numbers go in the open squares. As you fill in the squares correctly, options for the remaining squares are narrowed and it becomes easier to fill them in.

Yesterday's Answers

4	6	8	1	5	7	9	3	2
9	2	3	8	6	4	7	5	1
1	7	5	2	3	9	8	6	4
6	5	2	7	8	1	3	4	9
3	8	4	6	9	2	5	1	7
7	9	1	3	4	5	6	2	8
2	3	9	5	1	8	4	7	6
8	1	6	4	7	3	2	9	5
5	4	7	9	2	6	1	8	3



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