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continued interest in the job and summarize the qualities that make you the best choice. Sometimes you need to highlight particular skills or qualifications you possess that the employer considers to be essential. If possible, use a few “buzz words” from the career field that show you will fit in. The letter will leave the employer with a good impression of you, your skills and abilities. If you forgot to mention some pertinent information or didn’t answer an interviewer’s question as well as you could have during the interview, the thank-you letter can give you a second

chance. In the letter, repeat you strong points and elaborate on the points you failed to mention before. Answer the questions that you did not answer during the interview. After sending the thank-you letter, no matter how well you thought the interview went, don’t sit by the phone waiting to hear from the employer. Job hunting is an ongoing process—start working on your next interview. Always remember that interviewing is a learning experience. Although it will probably never be your favorite pastime, you will improve each time you interview. For more information, call Camp Shelby ACAP Office at (601)-558-2298.

Vargas is deputy planner for 2-410

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Capt. Rodrico Vargas is the Deputy Planner for the 2nd Battalion, 410 Field Artillery, 177th Armored Brigade, headquartered at Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center. He assists with the concept development, planning and execution of culminating training exercises for deploying Army Reserve and National Guard units. Vargas said CSJFTC is a great environment to work in. “I work with extremely professional senior NCOs, officers and civilians



Vargas

PERSONNEL PROFILE
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committed to preparing our Reserve and National Guard Soldiers for deployment,” he said. He enlisted in the military shortly after the events of 9/11. He was granted a two -year scholarship for the Reserve Officer Training Corps at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas, where he graduated with a bachelor’s degree in business administration in 2005. He was commissioned upon graduation. During his military career, the Fort Worth nativeserved as a platoon leader,

company fire support officer, brigade fire support officer, brigade comptroller and battery commander. He deployed to Iraq in 2007 and again in 2009 with the 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, headquartered in Fort Lewis, Wash. He has recently accepted a functional designation into the Army Acquisition Corps. In his spare time, he enjoys relaxing and spending time with his wife, Shauna, and one-year-old son, Mateo.

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Spc. Karen Sampson is the Public Affairs NCOIC for the 177th Armored Brigade. From Portland, Maine, she is a member of the 362nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment, headquartered in Londonderry, N.H. She has served in the U.S. Army for three years. “I swore in on my birthday on Jan. 4, 2010,” she said. “I enlisted in the Reserves as an engineer then reclassified to print journalism. I have been a print journalist for two years.”



Sampson

She deployed to Iraq, attached to the photographer/writer in support of Operation New Dawn. For the last two months of the deployment she was attached to U.S. Forces Iraq as a print journalist and social media integration at the New Embassy Compound, Baghdad. She graduated from Maryland Institute College of Art in 1994 with a bachelor’s degree in drawing and sculpting.

She is an accomplished artist in sculpting, drawing, and painting. Before enlisting in the Army, she worked as a sculptor, designer and owned Sampson Ornamental Plaster works LLC. Some of her sculpting work can be seen throughout the interiors of the Midland Theatre in Kansas City, Mo., and she completed several renovation projects in four major restaurants in Portland, Maine. There, she was the co-creator of The Front Room. In her spare time she draws and paints.

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