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LEGION OF MERIT... Retired Sgt. Maj. Sylvia L. Sanders was presented the Legion of Merit by Brig. Gen. Mitchell Brown, Army Assistant Adjutant General, Joint Force Headquarters, Mississippi National Guard, left, and Col. Brad Smith, Camp Shelby Joint Forces Training Center commander Dec. 18. She was awarded the LoM for serving as the chief Personnel NCOIC for the Directorate of Personnel and Community Activities.



COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR’S CORNER

New Year resolutions?

Well, the new year is here and I pray that everyone had a happy, memorable and safe holiday. When it comes to the new year, there come New Year’s resolutions. Whatever you choose to do, make a fresh start at it and commit to it.

Now it’s time to switch gears.

I’s time to refocus on that front sight and aim center-mass on the mission at hand. We are still a premiere mobilization station as we train our brothers and sisters in arms to take the fight to the enemy.

It is our job here to plan, develop and provide a diverse and demanding training environment for units that have accepted the call for deployment. Let’s continue to give them the support that they need.

Instead of having two training brigades, we now will have three. Let’s welcome the 2nd Brigade, G Division 75th Training Command. Their mission is very unique. They will focus on training brigade size command staff.

Though it may seem simple, this task will have



Cmd. Sgt. Maj Steven Chancellor

some challenges and obstacles. Just like the other training brigades, we look at it as a partnership and look forward to working with them.

For the month of January, Camp Shelby will be extremely busy, with units deploying here for their mobilization training, units re-deploying here for their time spent overseas in support of the contingency operations and in the limelight for receiving additional high dollar training equipment.

We will soon be fielding the Dismounted Soldier training system and the Combined Arms Collective Training Facility. These

systems will help Camp Shelby to continue to meet the challenges to provide the best and realistic training to offer.

Also in the month of January, we will conduct Resiliency Training. This training is important and shouldn’t be taken lightly. This specific training is mandatory. We have been at war for more than 10 years now and it has taken a significant toll on our troops.

You may have experienced a Soldier being killed, experienced post-traumatic stress disorder, depression or anxiety. This training will help you or your battle-buddy.

My senior enlisted Soldiers, make sure your subordinates attend this mandatory training.

Once again, I am honored to lead you and to be your senior enlisted non-commissioned officer. Let’s continue to set the standard in excellence. Remember, your work is not going unnoticed. May God continue to bless you, your Families and the United States of America.

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