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Baltimore FEB honors careers of APG employees

By **YVONNE JOHNSON**
APG News

Aberdeen Proving Ground civilians again walked away with a significant number of awards during the 2016 Excellence in Federal Career Awards Program at the Martins West catering facility in Baltimore, May 6.

Hosted by the Baltimore Federal Executive Board, or FEB, the awards marked its 49th annual presentations and presented 293 awards, the most in its history. APG awards totaled 106.

The event coincides each year with National Public Service Recognition Week. As well, this year marked the debut of the 1st Annual Senior Executive Service, SES, Excellence in Federal Career Awards category and the 1st Annual FEB Public Service Awards.

SES Stephen D. Kreider, Program Executive Officer for Intelligence, Electronic Warfare and Sensors, or PEO IEW&S, won the gold award for Category 1- Outstanding Executive of the Year and SES Larry M. Muzzelo, deputy to the CECOM commander, won the silver award in Category 2 - Rookie of the Year.

The program highlight was the presentation of gold, silver and bronze-level awards to nominees by board members Eve-

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Photo by Amanda Rominiecki, APG News

Amid freshly-planted tree saplings, one of five new cabins awaits its finishing touches as Shore Travel Park on APG North (Aberdeen) nears completion. The park boasts 24 RV pads, open for reservations starting June 10, a bathhouse and laundry facility. The cabins are set to open later this summer. Visit www.apgmwr.com for more information.

Enjoy the great outdoors

On-post options for recreation seemingly endless

By **AMANDA ROMINIECKI**
APG News

As the weather warms and the end of the school year nears, much of Team APG yearns to be outdoors, whether it's at the swimming pool with the kids, kayaking on the Susquehanna Flats of the Chesapeake Bay, or sitting under the stars roasting marshmallows over a campfire.

Luckily for Team APG, the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation,

FMWR, offers opportunities to do all those activities and more right here on post, according to FMWR Director Mike Lupacchino.

"Outdoor Recreation has something for everyone, from bounce-house rentals for your child's birthday party, to swimming pools to beat the summer heat," he said. "We're also looking forward to the inaugural season for our new Shore Travel Camp featuring five brand new cabins and spots for 24 RVs."

A North Carolina native, APG Garrison

Commander Col. James E. Davis said he loves spending time outdoors with families and friends, and has utilized the outdoor recreation services of MWR directorates at several of his duty stations.

"I invite eligible patrons to spend their summer with us here at APG. From marinas, boat ramps, picnic areas, campgrounds and swimming pools, we have all of your summer activities covered," Davis said. "Plus, you can rent

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APG teen sets his sights on USMA

By **RACHEL PONDER**
APG News

An APG teen and recent John Carroll School graduate has his sights set on the future as he prepares to report to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point at the end of June, where he plans to study mechanical engineering.

Joseph Kyburz, 18, is the son of Lt. Col. Jeffrey Kyburz, with the 20th Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosives Command, and Army Reserve Col. Kelly Kyburz, assistant deputy for Casualty & Mortuary Affairs for the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, or ASA (M&RA).

In addition to receiving an appointment to the Class of 2020 at the U.S. Military Academy, or USMA, Joseph Kyburz also received appointments to the U.S. Naval Academy, in Annapolis, and the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Entry into all three academies is highly competitive.

Kyburz called being accepted into all three academies a "great honor" and said that after careful consideration, he chose West Point.

"I truly believe that West Point is the place that I will develop and

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Photo by Rachel Ponder, APG News

Children graduate with 'strong' start for kindergarten

Hyang Lee playfully swings her grandson, Joseph Thomas Giles, 5, in celebration after the Strong Beginnings graduation ceremony on APG South (Edgewood), June 3.

Fourteen children graduated from the Army Strong Beginnings Pre-K program at the APG South child development center during a ceremony before family, friends and staff members. Children enrolled in the APG North Strong Beginnings Pre-K program graduate June 10.

Strong Beginnings equips pre-school children with the skills they need to succeed in kindergarten. During the 10-month program, students are introduced to math, reading, science, social studies, music, physical education and Spanish. Social skills, like sharing and treating people with respect, are also emphasized.

"I have seen them grow a lot in the last 10 months and I know that you have too," Strong Beginnings lead instructor Eva Jones told the audience.



Courtesy Photo

Joseph Kyburz, 18, center, poses with his Certificate of Appointment to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point with his parents Army Reserve Col. Kelly Kyburz, assistant deputy for Casualty & Mortuary Affairs for the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Manpower and Reserve Affairs, left, and father Lt. Col. Jeffrey Kyburz with the 20th CBRNE Command.

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STREET TALK

What are you looking forward to this summer?

Going on field trips and swimming during summer camp [at the APG South (Edgewood) youth center].



Tiarah Vickers
Age 11

Watching movies and playing video games with my dad and going to summer camp.



Kain Felix
Age 5

Going to Ocean City, Maryland, and making sandcastles at the beach.



Elicia Parker
Age 11

Having more time to paint flowers and going on bike rides during summer camp.



Mia Vickers
Age 9

Moving to Hawaii and setting up my bed and furniture in my new house.



Lucius Sepulveda
Age 4

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FROM THE EDITOR

APG News Section B looks inside Army innovations

Another year brings long over-due changes to the APG News, changes we hope our readers will find as exciting as we do.

This issue marks a strategic shift in how the APG News plans to cover your workplace, your duty station, your home and your installation. From this point forward, the APG News will be published as two distinct sections, each with a unique focus. Section A will continue to provide holistic coverage of the goings on at APG, from the most recent town hall or holiday observance to upcoming MWR programs and family-friendly activities.

Section B, to be known as "Inside the Innovation," will put the diverse and impressive missions at APG in the spotlight. So much of the APG community works to develop the latest gadget for the warfighter, test the most recent vehicle update to is breaking point, or investigate defenses against emerging chemical threats. We thought it was time these immeasurable contributions to our nation's safety and prosperity were properly recognized in the APG News.



Rominiecki

Along with the split into two sections, we are in the process of developing a true news website, bringing the APG News into the 21st century. To complement the new website and print edition, a free email subscription to a digital edition will soon be available. No matter your location or ability to find a copy of the paper on a newsstand, you will be able to read the APG News and stay apprised of the installation's goings on. Stay tuned for details about how to sign up for the digital edition and where to read the paper online.

Steadfast through these changes will be the content our readers have come to love: All Things Maryland, Memories of 'Nam, Street Talk, the Crossword, By the Numbers and This Week in APG History.

Our sole purpose is to provide the APG community with content to inform, educate, inspire and entertain. As always, we greatly appreciate feedback from our readers. Let us know when we're getting it right, and more importantly, let us know when you feel we've missed the mark.

Story suggestions, coverage requests, content feedback and all other comments can be sent directly to me, at 410-278-7274 or email: amanda.rominiecki.civ@mail.mil.

AMANDA ROMINIECKI,
APG News Editor

Job Fair & Employment Resource Expo

APG North (Aberdeen) Recreation Center

Wednesday, Aug. 3

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.



APG Army Community Service and the Susquehanna Workforce Network have partnered to host a Job Fair and Employment Resource Expo Day, Aug. 3, at the APG North (Aberdeen) recreation center, Bldg. 3326, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Various employers from local, state and federal government agencies, and private sectors will be in attendance. Business attire is recommended.

The fair is open to the public. Individuals without ID-cards must first stop at the visitor's center at the Route 715/Maryland Boulevard Gate. Drivers must present a valid driver's license and current vehicle registration. Delays can be expected at the visitor's center, so arrive early.

In preparation for the job fair, eligible APG MWR patrons are encouraged to attend the ACS "Resume & Interview Tips" seminar at Bldg. 2503 on July 6 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

For a full list of employers scheduled to attend the Job Fair and Employment Resource Expo, visit www.apgmwr.com/upcoming-events. For more information, call the ACS Employment Readiness Program Manager at 410-278-9669.

APG CATCH-A-POACHER PROGRAM



A wide variety of wildlife call Aberdeen Proving Ground home. The APG Conservation Law Enforcement Branch is asking you to be a partner in protecting and preserving the natural resources here on post. If you see or have knowledge of poaching or illegal activity involving wildlife or natural resources, you can use the SUBMIT-A-TIP hotline to anonymously provide information to catch a poacher.

Call the SUBMIT-A-TIP "HOTLINE" at 410-306-4673.

Emergencies or violations in progress should always be reported via 911.

When reporting poaching or illegal activity involving wildlife or natural resources on APG, please take note of the information listed in the form below.

Name/Description/Address of the Poacher
Location/Days/Times & Type of Poaching
Vehicle/Vessel Description or Registration #

You can also cut out this completed SUBMIT-A-TIP form and mail it to: 2200 Aberdeen Blvd. APG, MD 21005

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- Any possible compromise of sensitive information.



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Report suspicious activity immediately to APG Police!



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PEO IEW&S civilians escort Gold Star members through capital

By **BRANDON POLLACHEK**
PEO IEW&S

Two members of the Program Executive Office for Intelligence, Electronic Warfare & Sensors, or PEO IEW&S, spent Memorial Day weekend the way many Americans choose to spend a holiday – on their motorcycles.

However, their ride had a twist as Paul Barsamian, a staff logistician and Scott Fuhrer, an assistant product manager, served as escorts during the annual Rolling Thunder ride through Washington D.C. with a Gold Star mother and a Gold Star spouse as passengers.

Barsamian and his Harley Davidson Street Glide carried Gold Star mother Vivian Allen through a parade of spectators and riders celebrating Memorial Day. Allen’s son 1st Lt. Louis Allen was killed while serving in Iraq in 2005.

At the same time Fuhrer escorted Gold Star spouse Ani Mariano on his Harley Davidson Road Glide. Mariano’s husband, Air Force Master Sgt. Jude Mariano died in 2004 while serving in Qatar.

Barsamian has served as a Gold Star escort for six years.

“I volunteer to serve as an escort for Gold Star Mothers, wives, and family members because it is a special honor to spend time with those who have lost their loved ones while serving our great nation,” Barsamian said.

“Over the years I have developed special bonds with each and every Gold Star mother spending the weekend with them listening to their stories laughing and crying with them while being their escort as we ride through our nation’s capital.”

Allen, who has participated in the event three times, stated “it was an honor to be included and I feel like my son is looking down and saying ‘way to go Mom’”.

Fuhrer, a first time participant said, “this is a great opportunity to pay tribute to those mothers and wives that lost their military loved ones serving this country for freedom”.



(Left) Paul Barsamian, a PEO IEW&S staff logistician, escorts Gold Star Mother Vivian Allen during the annual Memorial Day weekend Rolling Thunder ride through Washington D.C., May 29.

After her first Rolling Thunder ride, Mariano said she had always wanted to participate so that she could represent her husband and the nation.

According to the Rolling Thunder website, the first event took place over the 1988 Memorial Day weekend. The founders, Artie Muller and Ray Manzo, reached out to their families, fellow veterans and veteran’s advocates to unify and form a march and demonstration in the nation’s capital. Their arrival would be announced by the roar of their motorcycles, a sound not unlike the 1965 bombing campaign against North Vietnam dubbed Operation Rolling Thunder. Word spread quickly and by Memorial Day weekend in 1988, approximately 2,500 motorcycles from all over the country converged on Washington, D.C. On that day, the foundation was laid for the annual “Ride for Freedom” to the Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial Wall (also referred to as the “Ride to the Wall”).

The number of participants/spectators in the Memorial Day weekend Ride for Freedom has grown from 2,500 to an estimated 900,000.



(Below) Scott Fuhrer, an assistant product manager under PEO IEW&S, poses for a photo with Gold Star spouse Ani Mariano before escorting her during the 29th Rolling Thunder ride through the nation’s capital.

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SKIES Taekwondo belt testing

Four APG youth enrolled in the Child, Youth and School Services Skies Unlimited Taekwondo program tested for advancement to black belt and others tested for similar advancement during belt testing at Bldg. 2407 June 6.

Instructor Carlton Rucker, a U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command civilian, led the testing session, which included forms, sparring and board breaking. During a tea ceremony afterwards, Christian Rucker, 13, and Brandon Evans, 14, were awarded black belts and volunteer instructors Tara Widmer, a military retiree, and Maj. Amy Eastburg, with the 20th CBRNE Command, received second-degree black belts. Andre Candelaria Marti, 7, also received a green belt.

Evans said he was “very excited” to reach this benchmark. He said practicing Taekwondo taught him many things, including respect for his parents, family and authority figures.

“Taekwondo really changed my life for the better,” he said.

The summer session of the SKIES Taekwondo begins June 13. For more information about SKIES programs call 410-278-4589.

(Above) Thirteen-year-old Christian Rucker, left, delivers a kick to Brandon Evans, 14, during the sparring portion of black belt testing at Bldg. 2407.

(Right) Abygail Belanger, 12, participates in the forms portion of a test for purple belt.

Photos by Rachel Ponder, APG News



BY THE NUMB#RS

Operation Desert Shield/Storm

This year marks the 26th anniversary of the Persian Gulf War – also known as Operation Desert Shield/Storm – a U.S.-led United Nations coalition of international forces that came together to defeat Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein who invaded Kuwait, in August 1990.

\$61 billion

U.S. Department of Defense estimated total cost of the Gulf War.

670,000

Total number of Allied coalition troops.

435,000

Estimated number of U.S. troops.

100,000+

Number of Iraqi soldiers killed.

383

U.S. fatalities.

39

Number of countries that made up the Allied coalition.

By **YVONNE JOHNSON**, APG News

Source(s): <http://www.cnn.com/2013/09/15/world/meast/gulf-war-fast-facts/>

WORD OF THE WEEK

Bedlam

Pronounced: bed-luh m

Part of speech: Adjective

Definition:

- 1. A place, scene, or state of uproar and confusion

Use:

- When the judge announced the not-guilty verdict, the courtroom erupted into bedlam
- They were afraid to even contemplate the bedlam releasing the long-guarded secrets would cause.
- She was credited with transforming a state of bedlam into an organized, clean and functioning inprocessing center.

By **YVONNE JOHNSON**, APG News

Source(s): <http://www.oxforddictionaries.com/>; <http://dictionary.reference.com>

ACRONYM OF THE WEEK

USAWC

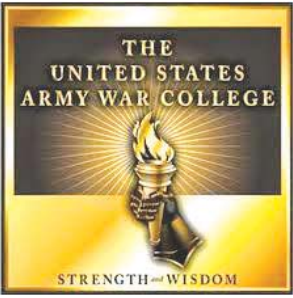
U.S. Army War College

The U.S. Army War College is an Army educational institution at Carlisle Barracks in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. The USAWC provides graduate-level instruction to senior military officers and civilians to prepare them for senior leadership assignments and responsibilities.

Colonels and lieutenant colonel attendees are considered for and approved for admission by an Army board. Applicants must have already completed the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. The student body includes officers from other military branches, civilians from federal agencies such as the Department of Defense, State Department and National Security Agency, and officers from foreign countries.

Approximately 800 students attend at any one time, half in a two-year-long distance learning program, and the other half in an on-campus, full-time resident program lasting ten months.

Upon completion, the college grants its graduates a master’s degree in Strategic Studies.



By **YVONNE JOHNSON**, APG News

Source(s): www.carlisle.army.mil/; www.wikipedia.org



Have a great idea for a story?

Know about any interesting upcoming events?

Wish you saw more of your organization in the paper?

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All Things Maryland

Montpelier Mansion

Blue Star museum features Georgian architecture



By **YVONNE JOHNSON**
APG News

One of the few remaining examples of late 18th century Georgian architecture stands in northern Prince Georges County. The Montpelier Mansion, a National Historic Landmark, was a plantation home built in 1783 by Maj. Thomas Snowden for his wife, Anne Ridgely and named for the Montpelier estate she grew up on in Fulton, Maryland. The mansion passed to their son, Nicholas Snowden, who was born in 1786 and died in 1831. His son, also named Nicholas, died at Manassas while serving with the 1st Maryland Infantry. His daughter, and then her children maintained ownership until 1890. A succession of owners followed until Christine L. Wilcox, the mansion's last private owner, donated the property to the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission in 1961. It was declared a National Historic Landmark in 1970.

The architectural characteristics of the mansion are what set it apart from neighboring mansions of the era. Montpelier is a five-part Georgian country house with a central block and flanking end pavilions. The two-story central block has a five-bay elevation, with a projecting three-bay pavilion topped by a pediment, or gable in a triangular shape. The roof features large projecting chimneys emerging about half-way up the roofline. The front and rear doors are similar in character, with flanking pilasters that give the appearance of supporting columns, and the interior features carved woodwork and paneling.

Famous visitors to the mansion include George Washington, who stayed there May and September, 1787 on his way to and from Philadelphia as a delegate to the Constitutional Convention; Abigail Adams; Martha Washington, on the way to her husband's presidential inauguration in 1789; and Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson.

Today, the Montpelier Mansion is operated as a house museum and rental facility and is open to the public. It's also a Blue Star Museum - free to active duty



The distinguishing characteristics of the historic Montpelier Mansion in Laurel, Maryland (left) and its custom landscaped gardens (below) are noted in the Historic Building Survey, Engineering Record and Landscape Survey collection of the Library of Congress. The mansion was named a National Historic Landmark and placed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1970.

Courtesy photos

service members and their families from Memorial Day to Labor Day. The Friends of Montpelier host historical tours and the house and grounds can be rented for weddings and other events.

Several family-friendly activities are offered throughout the year. Upcoming events include Blast in the Past-A Hands-on History Playground, set for 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday, July 7. The grounds will be transformed into a "kid-sized colonial village," and visitors can camp out on the frontier, design a hat at the milliners, harvest crops at the farm, and more. Also, the popular Hidden Spaces Tour is set for 4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 4. Advanced reservations and payment are required for this event. In addition, the Dinosaur Room, an exhibit of dinosaur fossils originally discovered on the Snowden property is part of the Dinosaur Park, where visitors can search for fossils and children can enjoy assemble a giant 3-D dinosaur puzzle, examine fossils through a microscope, and craft projects.

For cost and other event information visit www.history.pg parks.com or email montpeliermansion@pgparks.com.

Mary Jurkiewicz, a museum manager with the Natural and Historical Resources Division, Maryland Department of Parks



and Recreation, said the house receives about 10,000 visitors annually and has ample free parking available.

"The most popular attraction is the historic manor and beautiful grounds," she said. "The grounds are peaceful and quiet though it's in the middle of suburbia."

Jurkiewicz said Montpelier features self-guided tours year-round, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Thursday -Tuesday. The Montpelier Mansion is located at 9650 Muirkirk Road Laurel, MD 20708. For more information or to make reservations, call 301-377-7817.

APG teen looks to lead, heads to West Point

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become the leader of character I truly want to be," he said.

USMA, which has a 9.5 percent acceptance rate, has an extensive application process which includes submission of written essays, standardize test scores, class transcripts and recommendations by teachers and community leaders. According to its web site, USMA wants students who are "not only intelligent but are physically fit and of outstanding character."

The application process also involves securing a nomination from a congressman, senator or an active duty or retired service member. Maryland Senator Barbara Mikulski and Congressman Andy Harris nominated Kyburz.

Kyburz said he took challenging courses, volunteered for several leadership positions, and pushed himself to excel in order to stand out from his peers.

"You want to challenge yourself as much as possible, in all aspects of life," he said.

In addition to maintaining high grades throughout high school, Kyburz is an accomplished athlete. He played on the school's cross country, wrestling, swimming, and track and field teams. He also served on the student government as senior and junior class president and was a copy editor and writer for the school newspaper, "The Patriot."

He also volunteered with the Bel Air Volunteer Fire Company as an emergency medical technician, or EMT, and at St. Margaret's Church in Bel Air.

His dedication to leadership and service also motivated him to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest achievement

or rank attainable in the Boy Scouting program of the Boy Scouts of America. Only four percent of Boy Scouts earn this rank after a lengthy review process and an extensive service project that the scout plans, organizes, leads and manages.

Kyburz credits his success to his parents, thanking them for their love and support throughout his life.

"It is very useful to have an O5 and an O6 mentor you," he said. "Because you understand what the Army wants, and what you need to give the Army."

He added that he appreciates the Army's opportunities for leadership and education.

"To serve and lead with my country is ideal in every way," he said.

At West Point, Kyburz plans to try out for the parachute team.

"I feel like that would be a very valuable experience," he said. "I would like to do airborne training when I reach the big Army."

Lt. Col. Jeffrey Kyburz, also a West Point graduate, and Col. Kelly Kyburz said they are proud of all their son has accomplished.

"He used a modified version of the military decision processes to make the decision [between the three academies]," he said.

Col. Kelly Kyburz said she is not surprised about her son's desire to join the military.

"I think Joe has had that calling from an early age," she said.

Joseph Kyburz joins fellow John Carroll School graduate and APG youth Lauren Karbler, daughter of Maj. Gen. Daniel Karbler, commander, U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, as a member of the USMA Class of 2020.



How are we doing?

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MORALE, WELFARE & RECREATION



Upcoming Activities

Learn more about APG MWR activities and services by going online at www.apgmwr.com.

LEISURE & RECREATION ABERDEEN IRONBIRDS DISCOUNT TICKETS

Tickets are available for the following games: June 27 vs. Connecticut Tigers; July 28 vs. Mahoning Valley; and Aug. 20 vs. Vermont Lake Monsters. All games start at 7:05 p.m. at Ripkin Stadium in Aberdeen. Tickets are \$12 each for terrace box seats. Tickets are available until sold out.

To purchase tickets please visit MWR Leisure Travel Services at the AA Recreation Center, Building 3326. For questions call 410-278-4011/4907 or email us at usarmy.apg.imcom.list.apgr-usag-mwr-leisuretravel@mail.mil

CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT JUNE 22, 6 P.M.

This family movie night will feature “Kung Fu Panda 3” at the APG South recreation center starting at 6 p.m. The free event will include a craft, giveaways, snacks and refreshments.

For more information, call 410-278-4011.

PARENT & CHILD KAYAK EXCURSION JUNE 25, 2 - 3:30 P.M.

Excursion takes place at Spesutie Island Marina. Open to all eligible MWR patrons. Parent or guardian must be at least 18 years old. Cost is \$40. Registration required, deadline is three days before class. Five days prior to class, excursion must meet minimum participants to take place. For more information, or to register, call 410-278-4124/5789/2134/2135 or email usarmy.APG.imcom-fmwrc.list.usag-mwr-outdoorrec@mail.mil.

KIDZ ART SUMMER WORKSHIP JUNE 27-30, 1-3 P.M.

Corvias Community Center. Ages 5-12. This class will introduce students to a variety of mediums and methods including drawing, painting, and collage. Students will learn and practice basic skills to include color mixing, painting with artist paint brushes, drawing with pencil, marker pastel and more. At the end, there will be a presentation for parents of the artists. Cost is \$40.

For more information, contact Shirelle Womack at shirelle.j.womack.naf@mail.mil or call 410-278-4589.

ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE RESUME & INTERVIEW TIPS JULY 6, 11:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.

Learn the steps to creating a winning resume, as well as helpful tips to build your interview skills during this class at Army Community Service, Bldg. 2503. Registration is required. For more information, or to register, contact Marilyn Howard, ACS Employment Readiness Program Manager at 410-278-9669.

SPORTS & RECREATION KAYAK CLASSES JULY 13 & 14; AUGUST 11 & 12

Classes take place at Spesutie Island Marina from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$60 per person. Open to all eligible MWR patrons. Registration required, deadline is three days before class. Five days prior to class, excursion must meet minimum participants to take place. For more information, or to register, call 410-278-4124/5789/2134/2135 or email usarmy.APG.imcom-fmwrc.list.usag-mwr-outdoorrec@mail.mil.

APG Pools

Hours of Operation



May 28 - June 20
Weekends only
11:30am - 7pm

June 18 - Aug 22 - Daily
Mon-Fri 12:30pm - 7pm
Weekends 11:30am-7pm

Aug 22 - Sep 7
Weekends only
11:30am - 7pm

Pool Fees:
Active duty and immediate family members are FREE

Daily
Military Retirees & Immediate Family (5 & Under Free).....\$3
Reservists, National Guard, Civilian, Contractors & Immediate Family (5 & Under Free)\$5
Guests Accompanied by Eligible ID Card Holder (5 & Under \$3)\$7
*All patrons must provide valid Military or DOD ID Card to enter facility.

Pool Passes
Passes can be purchased at AA & EA Recreation Centers, Outdoor Recreation Service Center, Olympic and Bayside Pools locations during business hours or ONLINE.

Individual	30-Day	\$35	Seasonal	\$85
Family (Eligible Patron & Immediate Family Members)	30-Day	\$70	Seasonal	\$175

Lap Swim
Aberdeen Monday/ Wednesday/ Friday 6:30 am - 8 am
Edgewood Tuesday/ Friday 6:30 am - 8 am
Price \$4

For more information contact Outdoor Recreation Service Center Building 2184, Swan Creek Drive, or call 410-278-4124/5789/2134/2135. Operating Hours: Monday-Friday 9am - 5pm
www.apgmwr.com

KAYAK EXCURSIONS JUNE 25, 8 - 11 A.M.; JULY 29, 6 - 8:30 P.M.; AUGUST 27; 8 - 11 A.M.

Excursions leave from Skippers Point. Cost is \$40 per person. Open to all eligible MWR patrons. Registration required, deadline is three days before class. Five days prior to class, excursion must meet minimum participants to take place. For more information, or to register, call 410-278-4124/5789/2134/2135 or email usarmy.APG.imcom-fmwrc.list.usag-mwr-outdoorrec@mail.mil.

MWR offers equipment rental, picnic areas for summer fun

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nearly all the equipment you’d need to boat, fish, kayak, camp or throw a party – all without leaving the installation.”

“Take the opportunity this summer to unwind, get outside, spend time with your family and enjoy the natural beauty of Aberdeen Proving Ground.”

Eligible patrons, including active-duty, Reserve and National Guard service members, retirees, DOD civilians, family members and contractors working at APG, are allowed to use Outdoor Recreation facilities and equipment. For a full list of eligible patrons and exceptions to eligibility, visit the APG MWR website at www.apgmwr.com and click “Who Can Use MWR?” under the Useful Links dropdown menu.

Swimming Pools

MWR operates two pools at APG, the Olympic Pool on APG North and the Bayside Pool on APG South. The pools opened for weekend operations on Memorial Day weekend, and daily operations begin June 20. Lap swim also begins June 20.

Swimming is free for active-duty military and their immediate family members. There is a daily fee for all other patrons and guests. Monthly or seasonal passes are also available, and can be purchased at the APG North or APG South recreation centers, the Outdoor Recreation Service Center, or the pools during business hours. Seasonal passes can also be purchased online.

APG swimming pools are always monitored by certified lifeguards and swim lessons are available.

Equipment rental

Outdoor Recreation has a variety of party, camping, game and watercraft equipment available for rent to eligible patrons. From bounce houses and dunk tank, to tents, kayaks and trailers, MWR rentals provide solutions for a backyard birthday party or an upcoming camping trip. Equipment rentals include:

- Canopies, folding chairs and tables
- Bounce houses, dunking booths and yard games
- Grills, ice chests and water coolers
- Utility and travel trailers
- Tents, sleeping bags, camping cots and chairs, camping stoves, generators, lanterns and backpacks
- Motor boats, canoes, kayaks, life vests, paddleboards, and associated trailers.

Marinas & boating

APG offers affordable and convenient boat storage on the Chesapeake Bay at Spesutie Island Marina on APG North and the Gunpowder Neck Marina on APG South. Spesutie Island Marina offers out-

door storage for 70 boats, wet slips for 36 boats, and a launch ramp for small boats. Gunpowder Neck Marina offers outdoor storage space for 90 boats, inside storage for 70 boats, wet slips for 108 boats up to 40 foot, a launch ramp for small boats, a 20 ton travel lift, a pavilion and play ground and marina gas.

Eligible patrons looking to use APG boat ramps must complete the Boaters Orientation Course and bring proper ID at time of use. Boat ramps are available at the Spesutie Island Marina on APG North, and the Gunpowder Neck Marina, Skipper’s Point Campground and T-Dock on APG South.

Picnic Areas

With locations on the water, near the woods, and overlooking the bays and creeks, eligible patrons can take advantage of one of APG’s three picnic areas for family functions, office cookouts and unit gatherings.

On APG North, Shore Park Picnic Area has three pavilions with a 350-person total capacity. The area includes picnic tables, barbecue grills, a playground, basketball and volleyball courts, horseshoe pits, restrooms and a Frisbee golf course. Woodpecker Point Picnic Area, also on APG North, has one pavilion with a 100-person capacity. Picnic tables, barbecue grills and a playground are available at this site.

On APG South, Skippers Point Picnic Area has one pavilion with a 100-person capacity. The area includes picnic tables, barbecue grills, a playground and port a pots.

All picnic areas are open from dawn to dusk. Pavilions must be reserved in advance. No pets are allowed in the picnic areas.

Also on APG South, is the Civilian Activity Picnic Area known as the CAPA Field. Sponsored by the Civilian Welfare Fund, the waterfront park offers restrooms, a pavilion and enclosed, air-conditioned recreation room, playground areas, a walk-in ice closet and ice machine, a softball field, volleyball court and basketball court, and a grill.

According to Civilian Welfare Fund Assistant Funds Manager Patti Harkins, rental of CAPA Field includes use of all the facilities, sports equipment and other games.

“CAPA Field is a beautiful waterfront location,” she said. “[It] is perfect for Organizational Day celebrations, as well as family reunions, church picnics and other functions.”

Harkins added that disc golf is now available at CAPA Field.

RV Storage & Sale Lot

MWR offers storage space for recre-

ational vehicles on APG North, at Crozier Storage Lot, Gadsden Storage Lot, and Swan Creek Temp Lot, and on APG South at Scully Storage Lot. Each lot offers 24/7 access.

Individuals looking to sell RVs, campers, trailers and vehicles can register to place them in the MWR re-sale lot located on APG North in the parking lot between the chapel and the Exchange.

Campgrounds, RV sites & cabins

APG currently offers two campgrounds with a third scheduled to open this summer.

On APG North, the Marylander RV Park off Maryland Boulevard offers 11 RV slots, each with a concrete pad and full utility service. Open year-round, each site includes a fire pit and picnic table. On APG South, the Skippers Point Campground offers 15 tent camping sites, each with a fire pit and picnic table, and port-a-pots are within walking distance. Open March through October, Skippers Point boasts a water overlook.

The new Shore Travel Camp on APG North set to open early this summer will include 24 back-in RV sites with 60-foot concrete pads and full utility service. There will also be five cabins, each with two bedrooms and a loft.

The new camp area will also feature laundry facilities, a family-style bathhouse, recreation room and camp store. The cabins at Shore Travel Camp will not open until later this summer, but the RV sites open for reservations starting June 10.

APG campgrounds must be reserved in advance and paid in full at the time of the reservation.

Fishing, Hunting & Stabling

APG has several non-secured areas for recreational fishing with no associated fee on APG North and South.

Fishing from MWR boat docks or piers is prohibited.

The installation also allows in-season hunting on post to properly credentialed hunters. A full list of required documentation and fishing and hunting regulations can be found at www.apgmwr.com.

On APG South, MWR offers a self-care boarding facility for privately owned horses of military and civilian employees, retirees and their family members.


A full list of available MWR facilities and services, and their associated fees or registration requirements can be found online at www.apgmwr.com. For more information, contact MWR Outdoor Recreation at 410-278-4124/5789/2134/2135.

APG Swim Lessons

APG North Youth Swim Lessons
(Monday-Thursday, 8 sessions)
Session 2: July 11-21
Session 3: Aug. 1-11

Parent/Toddler & Adult
(Monday-Thursday, 4 sessions)
Session 1: June 20-23
Session 2: July 25-28
Session 3: Aug. 1-11

APG South Youth Swim Lessons
(Monday-Thursday, 8 sessions)
Session 1: June 20-30
Session 2: July 11-21
Session 3: Aug. 1-11



Times of classes depend on swim level.

Youth Sessions - \$50
Adult & Parent/Toddler Sessions - \$25
For more information, or to register, visit www.apgmwr.com or call 410-278-4124/5789/2134/2135



Courtesy photo

Remembering area’s history during Memorial Day service

Col. Kenneth Lenig, military deputy and chief of staff, U.S. Army Materiel Systems Analysis Activity, speaks on the importance of Memorial Day and the area’s rich history during the Memorial Day observance hosted by American Legion Cecil Post 15 in Elkton, Maryland, May 29.

William Young, Commander of Cecil Post 15, said he was delighted to have Lenig share his experiences with the legion members who included the Ladies Auxiliary, the Sons of the American Legion, and Boy Scout Troop 226. Elkton Mayor Robert J. Alt was also in attendance. The event concluded with the firing of rifles by the 29th Division Association Color Guard and the playing of Taps.

APG employees take home 106 of 293 FEB awards

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lyn Bonnin, FEB chair; Alexis Smollok, FEB vice chair; and Dr. Chris A Heidelberg III, acting executive director, FEB. The three Blue Ribbon Panel members who selected the winners assisted. They included Professor Herbert Jay Dinsmore, television operations manager at Loyola University of Maryland; Edward Ned Kissenger, executive vice president, Kissinger Financial Services in Hunt Valley; and Edward Novak, FEB Board of Directors retiree.

APG awardees said they were humbled by the awards.

Leslie Lovick

Civilian Human Resource Agency, or CHRA, Director Leslie Lovick, who received a bronze award in Category 1A: Outstanding Supervisor GS-13 and above, thanked her supervisors and staff members “for their support and for allowing me to lead and serve them.”

“I was honored to accept the FEB bronze award for Outstanding Supervisor of the Year,” Lovick said. “I consider myself fortunate to have the support and guidance of my senior leaders in CHRA who have guided me though my career and provided me examples of what a good supervisor looks like.”

Capt. Marina Pangia

An administrative and civil law attorney and sexual assault special victims counsel with the CECOM Legal Center, Pangia won a bronze award in Category 2A- Outstanding Professional, Technical, Scientific & Program Support. She thanked Eric Feustel, chief of the Client Services Division, for the nomination.

“I was really surprised but it felt good to be recognized,” she said. “This is a job in which you get to feel like you’re making a difference.”

In the Army just five years, Pangia has been stationed at APG since February 2015. Her husband is an APG civilian and she said she looks forward to her next challenge.

“I’m just proud that my supervisor took the time to do this,” she said. “I focus on my job performance and this award lets me know I’m doing something right. It’s humbling.”

Carmen Kifer

Carmen Kifer, a CMA chemical engineer won a bronze award in the Volunteer Service Individual & Group category. Kifer volunteers for the CMA Employee Morale Activities and for the STEM Family Nights Club at Youth Benefits Elementary School. She thanked her former supervisor Crystal Legaluppi for the nomination and gave credit for the award to those who inspire her actions; in particular CMA Human Capital Advisor Kim Krauer.

“She’s mega organized, creative and does a great job inspiring others to pitch in and help,” Kifer said.

She added that her STEM work is inspired by PEO C3T Program Executive Officer Gary Martin, and John Casner, the director of the Northeastern Maryland Technology Council, or NMTC.

“They started the STEM Summits that bring together government, industry, education and non-profits to put programs in place to give more students the opportunities and tools to learn, solve real-world problems and help their communities,” she said.

APG 2016 FEB Awardees

CATEGORY 1A – OUTSTANDING SUPERVISOR, GS-13 AND ABOVE

GOLD: Jeffrey Hatch, U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, ATEC

SILVER: Jaime Howard, AMSAA; Brett, Piekarski, ARL

BRONZE: Diane Bullis, PEO ACWA; Frank J. Belcastro, CMA; Cynthia S. Carpenter, CERDEC

Nancy Dunn, AEC; Michael G. Kovall, ATC; Leslie A. Lovick, CHRA; Abel Salgado, CECOM

CATEGORY 1B – OUTSTANDING SUPERVISOR GS-12 AND BELOW

BRONZE: Tracy Hamilton, MRICD

CATEGORY 2A – OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL, ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST

SILVER: Christina Bryant, ATEC; Robert McCown, ATEC; John Clayton, ARL

BRONZE: Carla Bauer, CMA; Kenneth A. Duvall, AMSAA; Tonia N. Edwards, 20th CBRNE Command; Scott English, USAGAPG; John Franklin, CERDEC; Jerry Hawks, ECBC; Daniel Kogut, ATC; Benjamin Lau, CECOM; Eugene Lehman, PEO IEW&S; Marina Pangia, USAGAPG; Dr. Benjamin Wong, MRICD

CATEGORY 2B – OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST

BRONZE: Myong Bogan, CERDEC; Deana Boyd, ATC; Lawrence Dougherty, ARL; Larry Jay Friedman, CMA; La Shonda Humes, CECOM; Krystal G. Landgraf, AEC; Cheryl A. Litteral, AMSAA; Lia Mort, 20th CBRNE; Danielle M. Terrin, ATEC; David Wojciechowski, PEO IEW&S; Troy Workman, PEO ACWA

CATEGORY 3A – PARA-PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL, SCIENTIFIC & PROGRAM SUPPORT (INDIVIDUAL)

SILVER: Douglas Petrick, ARL; Cheryl Bitner, ATEC

BRONZE: Robin Deckert, MRICD; Richard Dolly, ATC; Angela L. Reeves, AMSAA; William Stover, AEC; Keith Whittaker, CERDEC; Kurt A. Zeek, CECOM

CATEGORY 3B – OUTSTANDING PARA-PROFESSIONAL (NON-



Courtesy photo

Capt. Marina Pangia, an administrative and civil law attorney and special victims counsel with the CECOM Legal Center, right, poses with her bronze Excellence in Federal Career Award during the Baltimore Federal Executive Board, or FEB, sponsored award program at Martins West in Baltimore May 6. With Pangia is APG Staff Judge Advocate Lt. Col. Mary Card-Mina.

SUPERVISORY) TECHNICAL, SCIENTIFIC & PROGRAM SUPPORT (TEAM)

GOLD: MRICD

SILVER: USAGAPG; PEO ACWA; ATEC; ARL

BRONZE: PEO IEW&S; AEC; CECOM; CERDEC

CATEGORY 3C – OUTSTANDING ADMIN/MANAGEMENT ANALYST GS-8 AND ABOVE

SILVER: Allison Luthman, CECOM; Pamela Merritte, AMSAA

BRONZE: Stephanie Cunningham, PEO IEW&S; Kristen M. Gatch, ATC; Marian T. Goldsmith, RDECOM; Rhonda Hillebrand, CERDEC; Doris Hoppers, AEC; Irisnelba Rivera-Martinez, ECBC; Gillian Roman, ATEC; Roxanne Vendetti, CMA; Lyndra M. Watson, CHRA; David Weeks, ARL

CATEGORY 4A – OUTSTANDING ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT, OR ADMINISTRATIVE WORK GROUP OF TEAM

GOLD: Mark Oatman, CERDEC

SILVER: Bernadette Webster, AMSAA

BRONZE: Courtney Borowski, PEO ACWA; Donna Crouse, CECOM; Jeannette Dennis, CMA; Danielle Enders, ATEC; Ginger Hayes-Powers, ATC; Shannon Wolf, ARL

CATEGORY 4B – OUTSTANDING ADMINISTRATIVE WORK GROUP OR TEAM

SILVER: ATC University Creative Team

BRONZE: Eric Proctor & William Parks, ARL; Safety Team, MRICD

CATEGORY 5 – OUTSTANDING TRADES & CRAFTS (NON-SUPERVISORY)

SILVER: Kevin Pelletier, ATC; Robert Bruce, ARL

CATEGORY 6 – WORKFORCE DIVERSITY EQUAL OPPORTUNITY SERVICE

GOLD: Shealanda D. Lemuel, CECOM

SILVER: Dr. Richard Heine, AMSAA; Stephanie Koch, ARL; Staff. Sgt. Trenise Porch-Sylvester, MRICD

BRONZE: Sylvia Core, ATEC; Sharon J. Mackey, CERDEC

CATEGORY 8A – VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD (INDIVIDUAL)

GOLD: Michael Layman, ATEC

SILVER: Dr. Heidi Hoard-Fruchey, MRICD; Debra Norcross, ATEC; Leslie Zeigler, ATC

CATEGORY 8B – VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD (GROUP OR TEAM)

GOLD: Army Materiel Systems Analysis Activity (AMSAA) Holiday Families Program

SILVER: Maj. Jay Coats & Capt. Michael Lee, ATEC; Holiday Families Program Committee, AMSAA; Community Outreach Group, MRICD

CATEGORY 9 – DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC SERVICE CAREER

SILVER: William Connon III, ATC; Charles “Skip” Scozzie, ARL; Cindy Sheppard, ATEC



See more photos from events around APG
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/usagapg/>

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MORE ONLINE

More events can be seen at www.TeamAPG.com

events&town halls

THURSDAY & FRIDAY
JUNE 23 & 24

FAITH & FAMILY DYNAMICS
RETREAT

The APG Religious Support Office will host a “Faith and Family Dynamics” couples retreat at Turf Valley in Ellicott City, Maryland June 23-24.

Lodging, child care and meals are included. Registration, by June 15, is required.

For more information, or to register, contact Chaplain Assistant Spc. Joseph Freeman at 410-278-4333 or joseph.c.freeman25.mil@mail.mil.

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 3

JOB FAIR & EMPLOYMENT
RESOURCE DAY

APG Army Community Service will host a Job Fair and Employment Resource Day open to the all members of Team APG and the general public at the APG North (Aberdeen) recreation center, Bldg. 3326, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The fair will include employers from local, state and federal government agencies and the private sector.

For more information, visit www.apgmvwr.com/upcoming-events.

meetings&conferences

THURSDAY JUNE 23

EEO FOR IMCOM
SUPERVISORS

EEO will host a training for IMCOM supervisors at Bldg. 3147 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

All supervisors attending will need to email and register with Charles Gilmore, EEO training coordinator, at charles.l.gilmore3.civ@mail.mil.

On the day of the training, check the bulletin board in Bldg. 3147 for the classroom location of the training.

Maximum 50 people per class.

SATURDAY JUNE 25

FEW ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION

The Maryland Tri-County Chapter of Federally Employed Women, or FEW, will host its 25th Anniversary Celebration, 9 a.m. to noon at the Hilton Garden Inn, 1050 Beards Hill Road in Aberdeen.

The guest speaker is FEW 1st National President Allie Latimer.

For more information, call 410-652-8595 or 410-322-1469.

THURSDAY JUNE 30

RESTORATION ADVISORY
BOARD MEETING

The next Restoration Advisory Board Meeting will take place at the Ramada Conference Center in Edgewood, starting at 7 p.m.

For more information, contact Karen Jobses at karen.w.jobses.civ@mail.mil or 410-436-4429.

ONGOING

BIBLE STUDY CLASS

The Religious Services Office hosts a new Soldier and Family Christian Fellowship Bible Study Class 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., every Tuesday at the APG North (Aberdeen) chapel. Free childcare is included. The class focuses on biblical fellowship and outreach and encouragement through prayer and is open to the entire APG community. For more information, call 410-278-4333.

health&resiliency

ONGOING

SMALLPOX VACCINES BACK
AT KUSAHC

Smallpox vaccines are available again at Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic.

To schedule an appointment, call 410-278-5475.

TUESDAY JUNE 21

HEALTHY EATING FOR THE
SUMMER INFO SESSION

The C4ISR Wellness Committee will host a Healthy Eating for the Summer Informational Session in Bldg. 6001, 2nd floor, room 224 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Summer brings an abundance of fresh, delicious, and healthy food choices. In this session, you will learn the secret health benefits of some of summer’s fruits and vegetables.

The session is open to all. NON C4ISR employees must bring their CAC CARD to gain access to the building. Any contractors who participate in CECOM activities must not invoice any government contracts for time spent at these activities.

For more information, contact Tiffany Grimes at 443-861-7901 or tiffany.l.grimes.civ@mail.mil.

ONGOING

2016 CPR & AED TRAINING
CLASS SCHEDULE

The APG Directorate of Emergency Services has announced the CPR/AED class schedule for 2016. Classes are open to the entire APG community.

All APG North (Aberdeen) classes will be held at Bldg. 3147. All APG South (Edgewood) classes will be held at the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute’s North East Regional Training Center, located near the Edgewood (Wise Road) gate.

- **June 16** – APG South – MFRI North East Regional Training Center – 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- **July 21** – APG North – Bldg. 3147, Rm 205 – 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- **Aug. 18** – APG South – MFRI North East Regional Training Center – 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- **Sept. 22** – APG North – Bldg. 3147, Rm 205 – 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- **Oct. 20** – APG South – MFRI North East Regional Training Center – 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- **Nov. 17** – APG North – Bldg. 3147, Rm 205 – 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.
- **Dec. 15** – APG South – MFRI North East Regional Training Center – 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.

For more information, contact Mike Slayman at 410-306-0566.

ONGOING

KUSAHC CLOSED FIRST
WEDNESDAY OF EVERY
MONTH

Kirk U.S. Army Health Clinic believes the key to being the premier health and readiness platform is a professionally-developed workforce, and reinvesting in employees is an investment to their service to APG.

As such, KUSAHC will close the first Wednesday of every month for training purposes until further notice.

For more information, visit <http://kusahc.narmc.amedd.army.mil/SitePages/Home.aspx> or www.facebook.com/KUSAHC.

THURSDAY JULY 7

EDGEWOOD DENTAL CLINIC
CLOSURE

The APG South (Edgewood) Dental Clinic will be closed Thursday, July 7. For more information, contact Sgt. Tracy Glover at tracy.s.glover4.mil@mail.mil.

THURSDAY AUGUST 11

EDGEWOOD DENTAL CLINIC
CLOSURE

The APG South (Edgewood) Dental Clinic will be closed Thursday, August 11. For more information, contact Sgt. Tracy Glover at tracy.s.glover4.mil@mail.mil.

family&children

MONDAY-FRIDAY JULY 18-22

APG VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Registration is now open for Vacation Bible School at the APG North (Aberdeen)

main post chapel. The free, week-long, evening program is for pre-school to sixth grade children and youth.

The program runs 5:30 to 9 p.m., July 18, and 6 to 9 p.m. July 19-22.

Volunteers are also needed.

To register or sign up as a volunteer, contact John Edwards at john.m.edwards3.civ@mail.mil or call 410-278-2516.

miscellaneous

ONGOING

APG SOUTH 2016 WATER MAIN
FLUSHING

The APG Garrison Directorate of Public Works has announced its APG South (Edgewood) 2016 water main flushing schedule.

The Edgewood DPW Waterworks Branch will perform water main flushing during the following times:

- **April through June:** E2000 area.
- **July through Sept.:** E3000-E4000 area.
- **Aug. 11-13:** APG South housing area, E1220-E1300 area, and child care center.
- **Oct. through Dec.:** E5000 area.
- **Nov. 10-12:** APG South housing area, Austin Road.

For more information, contact Robert Warlick at 410-436-2196 or robert.w.warlick2.civ@mail.mil.

ONGOING

2016 FIRE MARSHALL PROGRAM
SCHEDULE

The APG Directorate of Emergency Services Fire Protection & Prevention Division will host Fire Marshall classes the second Wednesday of the month, unless otherwise noted. All classes will be held from 9 a.m. to noon and attendees will receive a certificate of completion at the end of the class.

Upcoming class dates include:

- **June 28** – APG South, Bldg. E4810
- **July 14** – APG North, Bldg. 4403
- **Aug. 11** – APG North, Bldg. 4403
- **Sept. 27** – APG South, Bldg. E4810
- **Oct. 13** – APG North, Bldg. 4403
- **Nov. 17** – APG North, Bldg. 4403
- **Dec. 15** – APG North, Bldg. 4403
- **Dec. 20** – APG South, Bldg. 4403

Additional classes can be scheduled on a case-by-case basis. For more information, contact Inspector Loren Brown at 410-278-1128.

ONGOING

2016 FIRE EXTINGUISHER
TRAINING

The APG Directorate of Emergency Services Fire Protection & Prevention Division will host fire extinguisher training classes on APG North (Aberdeen) and APG South (Edgewood) throughout 2016.

Two classes will be held each day from 10 a.m. to noon, and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the following dates and locations:

- **June 23** – APG South, Bldg. E4810
- **July 14** – APG North, Bldg. 4403
- **Aug. 17** – APG South, Bldg. E4810
- **Sept. 15** – APG North, Bldg. 4403
- **Oct. 13** – APG South, Bldg. E4810
- **Nov. 17** – APG North, Bldg. 4403
- **Dec. 22** – APG South, Bldg. E4810

For more information, contact Ernie Little at 410-306-0583 or ernest.w.little.civ@mail.mil.

ONGOING

FIREWOOD AVAILABLE FOR
SALE

Firewood is available at a cost of \$20 per level standard 8-foot pick-up truck, \$15 per level standard 6-foot pick-up truck, and \$5 per car trunk load. Permits to buy wood are good for ten days, or until an order is filled, whichever comes first. Permits will be issued 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on a first-come-first-served basis at APG South (Edgewood) in Bldg. E4630, Monday through Thursday. For more information, contact Scott English at 410-436-9804 or Kathy Thisse at 410-436-8789.

ONGOING

RETIRING SOON? UNCLE SAM
WANTS TO THANK YOU!

Are you an APG Soldier or civilian nearing retirement from government service? Consider participating in the monthly Installation Retirement Ceremony.

The APG Garrison hosts the event the fourth Thursday of each month –except November – and the first Thursday in December, at the Dickson Hall (Ball Conference Center).

Much goes into the planning for these events. Event planners set up flag displays, write speeches, print programs, provide sound equipment and photography support and even create photo DVDs for each retiree.

Also, awards and decorations are presented to retirees and their spouses.

All Soldiers and civilians are eligible to participate in the Installation Retirement Ceremony regardless of unit or organization.

This is a program designed to thank retiring personnel for their loyalty and perseverance and for the sacrifices they endured while serving the nation.

Retirees are encouraged to participate and to share this day with family members and friends.

After all, Uncle Sam wants to thank you. Don’t you think you’ve earned it?

For more information, contact Lisa M. Waldon, Garrison Training Operations Officer, at 410-278-4353 or email lisa.m.waldon.civ@mail.mil.

ONGOING

HARFORD COMMUNITY
COLLEGE CYBERSECURITY
PROGRAM

Harford Community College has announced a new cybersecurity program to prepare interested individuals – military and civilian – in an entry-level cybersecurity position.

The Cyber Defense Certificate program offers 39 credits, and prepares students for four industry-recognized certifications that include: Comp TIA’s Net+, Security+, Linux+, and Cisco’s CCENT. The program also awards credit for prior learning.

Classes are held at Harford Community College in the evening. Veterans and spouses are encouraged to apply. Enrollment for classes in the fall is currently underway.

For more information, contact Christine Brown at HCC at chbrown@harford.edu or 443-356-0363.

5 ways to reuse your copy of the APG News



1.

Protect fragile items before storing them or sending them in the mail.

2.

Line pet cages or litter boxes to keep them tidy.

3.

Save the counter from a gluey, glittery mess during your next craft project.

4.

Clean glass or windows for a streak-free shine.

5.

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APG NEWS LAUNCHES NEW SECTION

The APG News welcomes readers to its brand new section, "Inside the Innovation." Since Aberdeen Proving Ground was founded nearly 100 years ago, its missions have changed along with changes in the Army, Department of Defense and society as a whole.

From its beginnings as a proving ground for war munitions in 1917, today, APG is home to a variety of tenant organizations with diverse missions, each with the underlying mission of ensuring victory for the warfighter. From research & development and test & evaluation, to acquisition and sustainment, APG innovations cover every aspect of equipping Soldiers with cutting-edge equipment and materiel.

Join us as we explore each of APG's five centers of excellence: research & development; test & evaluation; chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear & explosives; command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; and public health.

This new section will tell the stories of the commands, programs, civilians, and Soldiers inside the innovation happening at APG every single day.

As always, the newspaper welcomes feedback, suggestions and ideas from its readers. The APG News editor can be reached at 410-278-7274 or amanda.r.rominiecki.civ@mail.mil.



Dr. Shawn Walsh, left, Agile Manufacturing Technology team leader at the U.S. Army Research Laboratory, and Mike Thompson, an ARL technician, unfurl a lightweight ballistic material for integration into body-armor processes at APG in a file photo from Aug. 14, 2013. Walsh will serve as a subject matter expert for the newly-announced Revolutionary Fibers and Textiles Institute for Manufacturing Innovation Hub.
Photo by Conrad Johnson, RDECOM

Revolutionizing textiles

APG scientist to advise consortium on futuristic fibers research

By **DAVID MCNALLY**
U.S. Army Research Laboratory

The White House announced a new manufacturing innovation center in Massachusetts April 1, and an APG scientist will serve as an Army subject matter expert for the initiative.

In partnership with the DOD, a consortium of 89 manufacturers, universities and non-profits organized by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, MIT, will spearhead a new manufacturing innovation institute, according to a White House press release.

The Revolutionary Fibers and Textiles Institute for Manufacturing Innovation Hub will focus on "securing U.S. leadership in revolutionary fibers and textiles manufacturing," Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter announced during a ceremony at MIT's Sandberg Conference Center.

The DOD Manufacturing Technology Program, known as ManTech, asked Army

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ATEC civilian a 'rising star'

By **COURTNEY GILBERT**
ATEC

Though her colleagues might say that the recruitment and outreach manager at the U.S. Army Test and Evaluation Command, known as ATEC, deserves every honor and award she has received in recent months, Christina Bryant says she's simply doing her job.

In the past year, Bryant has received the Governor's Volunteer Service Certificate, the Northeastern Maryland Technology Council Rising Star award, and a silver Excellence in Federal Career Award from the Baltimore Federal Executive Board.

She was awarded the Governor's Volunteer Service Certificate in May 2015 for hosting the Team APG FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Lego League qualifiers in 2014 and 2015. Volunteer Service certificates are awarded to Maryland citizens to recognize their volunteer contributions to the state and its people, and for their work in helping to change Mary-

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Photo by Conrad Johnson, RDECOM

ATEC Recruitment and Outreach Manager Christina Bryant demonstrates how to use an inclinometer to measure the flight altitude of a rocket to a student during a STEM event in Hunt Valley, Maryland, in June 2015. Bryant is responsible for helping to secure a pipeline of qualified and innovative professionals to work at ATEC.



Photo by Kelly White, CERDEC

Brazilian army visits for S&T collaboration

Representatives from the Brazilian Army visited the U.S. Army Materiel Command's Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center, or CERDEC, Space and Terrestrial Communications Directorate to gain a better understanding of CERDEC's science and technology capabilities, May 25.

The Brazilian Army requested the visit to implement a more effective C4ISR system - one that will improve command and control of the battlefield. They visited CERDEC to research the development of systems and C4ISR products in order to apply that knowledge to improve their C2 System development.

John Willison, CERDEC S&TCD director, briefed the Brazilian visitors, covering topics ranging from intelligence, electronic warfare and sensors; tactical data distribution; design and management of tactical and strategic communications networks; fire support; mission command focusing on decision support tools; and prototyping, integration and testing C4ISR platforms.

DAU hosts seventh SSCFP graduation

By **JAMES R. OMAN**
Defense Acquisition University

Eight graduating fellows received their Senior Service College Fellowship Program diploma during a ceremony at the Myer Auditorium on APG North (Aberdeen), May 24.

The ceremony recognized and celebrated the completion of the 10-month program of study focused on leadership and acquisition. Diploma recipients were: Shauna Dover, Willie Jackson, Dr. Melanie Loncarich, Patrick Morse, Benjamin Pryor, Nicholas Saacks, Daniel Schwartz, and Wing Young.

The event was attended by 75 friends, family members, SSCF alumni, and distinguished guests as well as several locally serving members of the Senior Executive Service. Participating in the ceremony were guest and keynote speaker, Gary Martin, Program Executive Officer for Command, Control and Communications – Tactical; Dr. Kristina Olsen, Regional Academic Director, National Capital Region, Webster University; and Joanne Schoonover, Dean, Capital and Northeast Region.

In addition to fulfilling the SSCF requirements, Jackson, Morse, and Schwartz also completed an additional five courses to earn a Master of Arts degree in Management and Leadership from Webster University. Olsen recognized their efforts with the presentation of Webster University diplomas and distinctive university coins.

In her welcoming remarks Schoonover, who served as ceremony host, congratulated and recognized the fellows on their many accomplishments, their continued hard work and thanked the APG community for its continuing strong support of the fellows and the SSCF program.

“We applaud and recognize your hard work which will set you up for your future endeavors in serving the armed forces,” she said.

In his keynote address, Martin congratulated each of the fellows for participating in the fellowship program as well as acknowledged their hard work, dili-



Photo by Cory Hall, Defense Acquisition University

The graduates of the Class of 2016 APG Senior Service College Fellowship Program pose for a photo with the graduation ceremony keynote speaker, Gary Martin, Program Executive Officer for Command, Control and Communications – Tactical.

gence, and dedication. He stressed the importance of using their new skills to become more capable leader’s who are comfortable and effective in operating in rapidly changing environments as they return to the workforce.

Martin asked each member of the class of 2016 to identify how they would give back in terms of their investment in other people. He concluded his remarks by challenging each of them to continue to grow and hone their recently acquired skills.

Over the 10-month program the fellows completed the SSCF curriculum focusing on program management, the

acquisition environment, leadership and national security. They also heard from multiple senior leaders who included numerous general officers, SES members, political appointees, and senior corporate leaders; conducted industry and governmental organization visits, and went on a variety of warfighter-focused visits including the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe; U.S. Central Command; U.S. Special Operations Command; U.S. European Command; Joint Readiness Training Center; National Training Center; and the Joint Multinational Training Command.

The fellowship culminated with an enterprise-wide get together at Gettysburg National Military Park in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania where the fellows participated in a battlefield staff ride with historian and retired colonel, Dr. Paul Jussel, professor of Military History and Strategy, Department of Military Strategy, Planning, and Operations, U.S. Army War College.

The Gettysburg staff ride emphasized several lessons on being an effective leader, as well as demonstrated the importance of leadership, and how one determined leader can make a significant difference.



Graduates of the Joint Innovation Program stand with CERDEC directors after receiving their certificates during a ceremony on APG North (Aberdeen), May 18.

CERDEC program captures the art of innovation

Story and photo by **KELLY WHITE**
CERDEC

Traffic, in-processing, and PowerPoints, oh my!

Sound familiar? What may seem like another day at the office for some APG employees became the theme for innovative ideas during the second annual Joint Innovation Program graduation ceremony, hosted by the U.S. Army Materiel Command’s Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center, or CERDEC, on APG North (Aberdeen), May 18.

The Innovation program, launched by CERDEC’s Command, Power and Integration; Intelligence and Information Warfare; Space and Terrestrial Communications; and Product Realization Engineering and Quality directorates, brought together a highly diverse group of people from disparate functional areas and offered an outlet to solve real-life problems by developing innovative ideas.

The Innovation course, one of two options offered in the Joint program, took place over a six-month period and included guest speakers, discussions, leadership exercises and evaluations.

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Adam Bogner
CERDEC Joint Innovation Program Creator

tives can develop better solutions to difficult problems,” said Adam Bogner, senior engineer at CERDEC I2WD and creator of the program. “The team used the innovation process, their creativity, their abilities and experiences and heuristics to get to the best solution, which is not always the first solution.”

For their final assignment ahead of graduation, each participant was placed into one of four teams and tasked with developing an innovative solution for an everyday problem at work using creativity and communication.

The concepts were presented during the graduation ceremony in front of

a panel of CERDEC directors, who later judged each presentation based on a series of evaluation questions and then selected a winner.

Topics included APG Traffic, Briefing Slide Templates, New Employee In-Processing, and a New Project Initiation Process.

The winning team focused on the specific issue of interoperability between slide templates, something John Franklin, an electronics engineer at CERDEC S&TCD and member of the winning team, said was a challenge when working in a collaborative effort with various organizations.


“Within the Army, each organization likes to have their own template to promote the organizational brand and gain better recognition throughout the government, industry and academia,” Franklin said. “The problem occurs when working in a collective environment and information is collected throughout various organizations and consolidated into a single brief.”

The winning team proposed a solution that would cut down the amount of time employees spend on reformatting PowerPoint by combining format standardization with a concept for a Microsoft PowerPoint plug-in.

“I walked away with an understanding that innovation isn’t this nebulous idea,” Franklin added. “Through studying companies that are considered innovative, we learned that there is an underlying methodology.”

Throughout the course, participants were provided with opportunities to network across CERDEC divisions and directorates and were also encouraged to discuss course content and how to apply the lessons as leaders.

The next Joint Leadership and Innovation course will take place this summer from June 15 to Aug. 24. CERDEC employees are encouraged to reach out to their directorates for more information.



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War College students gain insight into S&T during visit to CERDEC labs

Story and photo by **KELLY WHITE**
CERDEC

The U.S. Army Materiel Command’s Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center, or CERDEC, hosted students from the U.S. Army War College at APG, May 24.

The visit provided familiarization of the CERDEC mission and included tours of the CERDEC labs, overview briefings, and an opportunity to see new science and technology.

The first stop on the CERDEC lab tour was the C4ISR Prototype Integration Facility, or PIF, which designs, tests, and builds prototypes using an iterative development process.

Robert Zanzalari, CERDEC associate director, greeted the students and gave an overview of CERDEC and how it relates to the Soldier. The students focused on Operational Sustainment and the Defense Industrial Base, and according to Zanzalari, the PIF is a great example to showcase the use of an RDEC’s capability and the interaction with the organic and defense industrial base.

“From an R&D perspective, we’re working on productizing and integrating science and technology programs as we integrate them into platforms,” Zanzalari said. “The CERDEC facilities being shown during the tour represent a collective effort from a recapitalization perspective.”

The students also toured CERDEC’s Space and Terrestrial Communications Directorate Joint SATCOM Engineering Center, or JSEC, and the C4ISR Systems Integration Laboratory, or CSIL, during the tour.

The JSEC is doing relevant research and development in order to provide the best satellite communications technology for transition to the Soldier.

The CSIL is the site for all lab-based risk reduction and provides a simulated, advanced lab environment for engineers to assess, evaluate and integrate new capabilities onto current and next generation tactical networks.

“The JSEC and CSIL are important components to show the students in order to gain a perspective of supporting operational missions and laboratory-based risk reduction,” Zanzalari said.



Army War College students watch a demonstration at the CERDEC C4ISR Prototype Integration Facility, designs, tests, and builds prototypes using an iterative development process, during a visit to APG, May 24.

Through face-to-face interaction with CERDEC leadership, the Army War College students’ visit directly provided an understanding of CERDEC’s strategic direction and increased their knowledge of its technology areas.

The U.S. Army War College educates and develops leaders for service at the strategic level while advancing knowledge in the global application of Landpower, according to its website.

In conjunction with the CERDEC tour, the students visited with the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command, also known as RDECOM.

“The RDECOM and CERDEC briefings and tours were extremely timely,” said Army War College Student Col. John Cavado Jr. “They [RDECOM and CERDEC] really provided operational context to academic theory.”

Cavado noted that both organizations are essential for innovation and breaking technology boundaries to ensure our Warfighters maintain decisive overmatch capability.



Students from the Army War College were briefed on some of CERDEC’s unique assets used to test and evaluate the network and the components that interface with it in a battalion command post mock-up in CERDEC’s C4ISR Systems Integration Lab, a facility which performs lab-based risk reduction for the Army’s Network Integration Evaluation.



Did You Know ?

The Army celebrates its 241st birthday June 14.

The Continental Army was established by the Second Continental Congress a few days before the Battle of Bunker Hill on June 17, 1775. George Washington, commander-in-chief, was dismayed by the lack of discipline and training in his troops, shortage of munitions, pay and other shortcomings. Here are some facts you might not know about the rag-tag forces that should have lost the War for Independence.

Throughout the war, the Soldiers of the Continental Army were poorly armed, poorly clothed, poorly fed, and poorly paid. The rifles they carried were homemade, there was no uniform, and many Soldiers were reduced to rags.

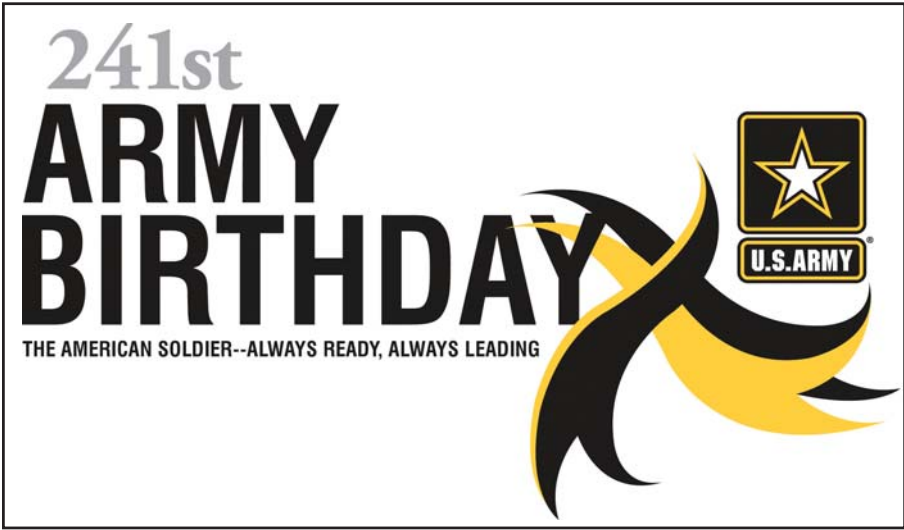
At first, Congress stipulated one year enlistments for volunteers to the new Army; this was raised to three years by 1777 and extended, that limit was raised to three years and later extended ‘for the duration of the war.’ Regiments accepted volunteers as young as 16, and even 15 with parental consent.

Washington’s army began the war with virtually no gunpowder. In fact, the scarcity of this vital war-making resource was an all-consuming obsession for Congress throughout the war.

The Continental Army was highly diverse. Within its ranks were Germans, Dutch, Scottish, Irish and English volunteers. Up to a tenth of its soldiers were African Americans, slaves and free men. In fact, one Rhode Island regiment was more than three-quarters black. Despite its diversity, it was not entirely harmonious. According to historian John Milsop, “the New Englanders resented the southerners, while the southerners resented the New Yorkers.”

Congress hired Prussian aristocrat Friedrich Wilhelm von Steuben to oversee army training and things improved dramatically. He organized proper drill and battlefield tactics to the more amateur Continental regiments and in 1779, he published a training manual titled: Regulations for the Order and Discipline of the Troops of the United States. He served as Washington’s chief of staff in the final years of the war.

For daily rations, each recruit was promised one pound of beef, salted fish or pork, a pound of bread, three pints of dried peas or vegetables, a pint of milk and a quart of spruce beer or cider. In reality, the availability



food depended entirely on the army’s ability to purchase and distribute supplies. Often, units in the field went without.

The lack of steady rations and pay, along with generally poor living conditions and foul weather, often led to shockingly high rates of desertion. During late 1776, as many as a quarter of Washington’s men absconded. More rigid discipline soon helped stem the exodus, but in 1781, chronic pay shortages prompted 2,400 troops from Pennsylvania serving in New Jersey to mutiny. What’s more, loyal troops ordered to quell the uprising actually joined it. Eventually, Washington calmed frayed tempers by promising the men formal discharges but \$10 bonuses if they re-enlisted. Only about half took the general up on the offer. The rest went home.

In his famous “Farewell Orders” to the troops on Nov. 2, 1783, Washington offered his parting impressions of America’s Continental Army.

“The disadvantageous circumstances on our part, under which the war was undertaken, can never be forgotten. The unparalleled perseverance of the armies of the United States, through almost every possible suffering and discouragement for the space of eight long years, was little short of a standing miracle.”

By **YVONNE JOHNSON**, APG News

Source(s): <http://www.u-s-history.com/pages/h3996.html>

Vanpoolers needed on APG North



There are several existing vanpools looking for riders as well as individuals looking to start vanpools for the following listed to the right.

Commuters only need to be willing to travel to the designated areas to ride the vanpool. For more information, contact the APG Commuter Center POC, Syreeta Gross, at 410-278-5491 or syreeta.a.gross.ctr@mail.mil.

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- ♦ Baltimore County, MD (near I-70 and 695)
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- ♦ Philidelphia, PA

APG South (Edgewood) to:

- ♦ - Baltimore, MD
- ♦ - Delaware
- ♦ - Philadelphia, PA

THIS WEEK IN APG HISTORY

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Take a look back in time as the APG News explores what made the headlines around APG during this week 10, 25 and 50 years ago. This week's APG News masthead is from 2013.

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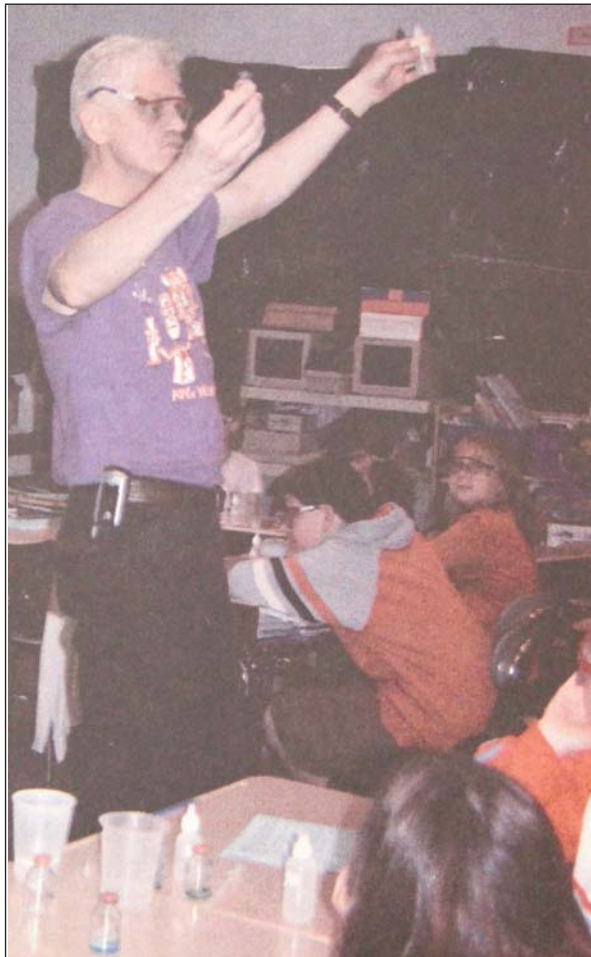
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10 Years Ago: June 8, 2006



(Above) APG police officer Daniel Rodriguez, right, receives an autograph from the Oriole Bird during the MWR Travel Expo at the post recreation center.

(Right) Barry Williams, a chemist with the Edgewood Chemical Biological Center, conduct an experiment for students during the organization's Kids and Chemistry program at Emmorton Elementary School.

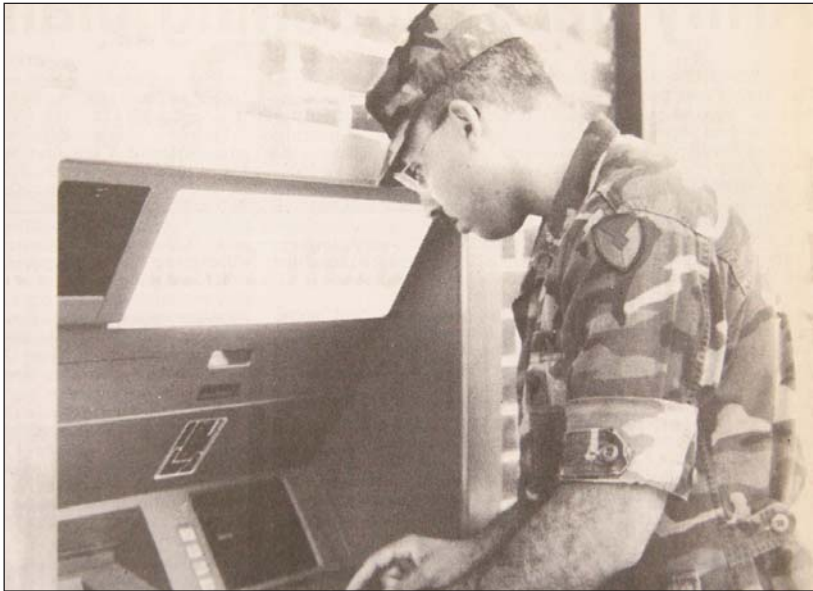
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25 Years Ago: June 12, 1991



(Left) Fiction writer and veteran Tom Clancy rides in a Bradley Fighting Vehicle during a visit to the Aberdeen Proving Ground and the U.S. Army Ordnance Center and Schools and museum.

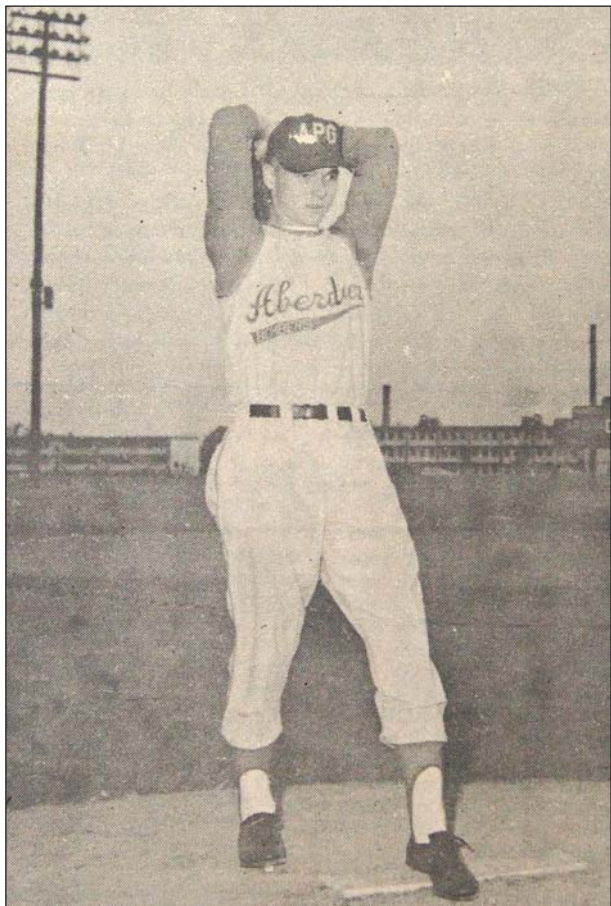


(Right) Sgt. 1st Class Paul Roberts makes a transaction at the new, full-service, free-standing, Automated Teller Machine at the APG Federal Credit Union.

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50 Years Ago: June 9, 1966



(Left) Undeclared APG Bombers Ace Gary Eckert leads his team to a 3-1 record after defeating the Barrett A.C. of Baltimore team, 18-9 at Shine Field.

Below) Former Pfc. Richard Concklin, center, receives his second lieutenant bars, the result of a direct commission into the Chemical Corps, from Col. Charles Ostrom, commander of the U.S. Army Ballistic Research Laboratories, left, and Maj. Lee Duke, BRL executive officer.



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American Society of Safety Engineers recognizes ARL safety professional

Story and photo by
JOYCE M. CONANT
U.S. Army Research Laboratory

A safety specialist from the U.S. Army Research Laboratory received the 2016 Safety Professional of the Year Award from the American Society of Safety Engineers, or ASSE, Chesapeake Chapter during a ceremony held in Timonium, Maryland, May 17.

Robb Altenburg earned the honor for his technical and administrative expertise, as well as his “dedication to fostering professional development opportunities and community services for the Chesapeake safety engineers,” said Chapter President Craig D. Lowry.

Altenburg has worked in the safety and health field for 25 years and is responsible for ARL’s occupational safety and health program at APG. He began his career as a compliance officer with the Maryland Occupational Safety and Health Agency and prior to joining ARL, he worked as a consultant in private industry and as a safety and occupational health manager for the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

“This recognition indicates the lev-

el of excellence associated, not only by his technical abilities, nor the customer services he is able to provide, but the on-going support he brings to the laboratory’s day-to-day research mission and community,” said Fred Thompson, chief of ARL’s Safety and Environmental Branch, who added that ARL has established safety as one of the core pillars of the organization. “Robb understands the benefit of building and sustaining a strong safety culture throughout the organization.”

The sentiment is echoed by those of his colleagues.

“This award is well deserved,” said Leslie York-Hubbard, environmental safety technician and ASSE member. “Robb has a strong passion for the safety of all ARL employees and under his guidance has moved the safety program in a very positive direction. He continues to focus on the areas of program development

that will best elevate the level of safety for all at ARL. He has also provided constant support, guidance and a voice of reason to those of us who work with him on a daily basis.”

Warren Billingsley II, a safety and occupational health specialist, said, “Robb Altenburg is not only an asset to

“This recognition further verifies [Altenburg’s] commitment to the diverse group of scientists, engineers and support staff across ARL. He is their partner and everyone within the organization has a responsibility for a sustainable safety program.”

Fred Thompson
ARL Safety & Environmental Branch Chief



U.S. Army Research Laboratory Safety Specialist Robb Altenburg holds the 2016 Safety Professional of the Year Award he recently received from the American Society of Safety Engineers Chesapeake Chapter. Altenburg has worked in the safety and health field for more than 25 years.

our organization, but clearly highly valued by the American Society of Safety Engineers. That is reflected in his most recent award and has been evident from the first day with ARL.”

ARL safety specialist Shane Miller said Altenburg is the perfect choice for the award.

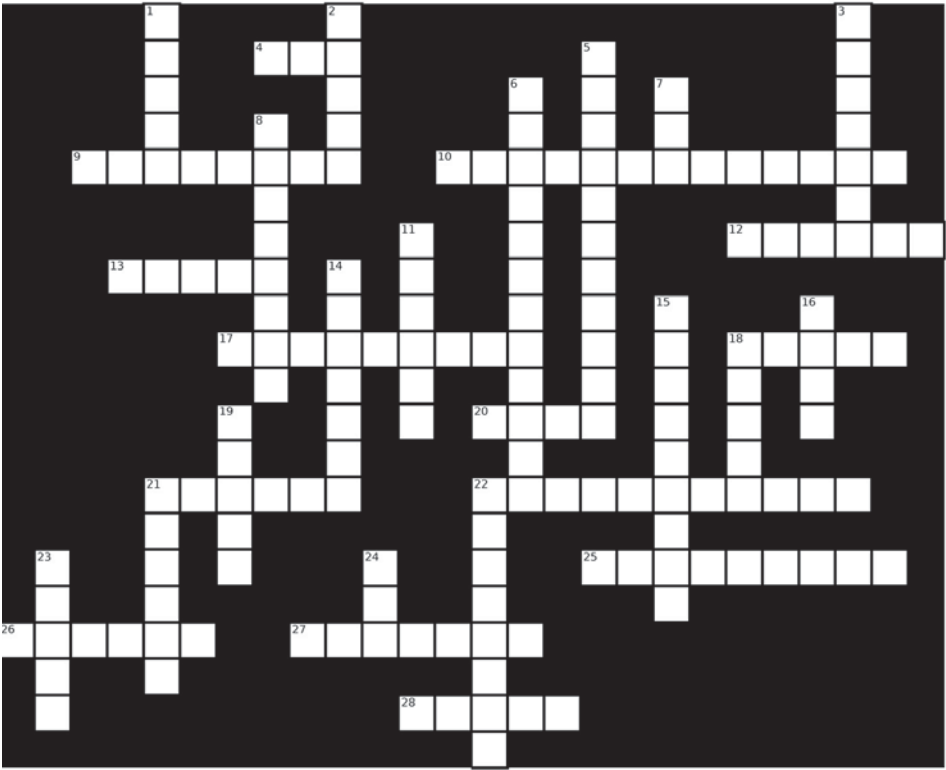
“Robb brings an artistry to the safety world and he is a blessing of a mentor to me,” Miller said. “He has the ability to take information from any situation, quickly process, analyze it, and develop the absolute best action. His uncanny ability to articulate and express his thoughts, whether to a single person or to a large group is nothing short of astounding.”

Thompson said Altenburg’s impact to ARL is demonstrated not only by his core

values, but also his expansive technical experience and that he continues to drive the development of a strong occupational safety and health program and enhance the organizational culture for safety at all levels – both inside and outside the organization.

“This recognition further verifies his commitment to the diverse group of scientists, engineers and support staff across ARL – he is their partner and everyone within the organization has a responsibility for a sustainable safety program,” Thompson said.

Altenburg said he enjoys the challenging work of managing an occupational safety program at ARL. Altenburg also cites his service in the U.S. Marine Corps as a source of his dedication and passion for supporting ARL’s mission.



The APG Crossword

Happy 241st Birthday U.S. Army

By **RACHEL PONDER**, *APG News*

The U.S. Army’s 241st Birthday is Thursday, June 14. Take this trivia puzzle to test your knowledge of Army history.

Across

4. Number of U.S. presidents who earned the rank of a five-star general in the Army.
9. On Nov. 14, 2008, she became the first woman in U.S. military and uniformed service history to achieve a four-star officer rank. She retired from the Army August 15, 2012.
10. The three U.S. Army logistics branches are the Transportation Corps, the Ordnance Corps and the _____ Corps.
12. Fort Wainwright is located in this U.S. state.
13. A slang term used by Army Soldiers, meaning “anything and everything except ‘no.’”

17. Following the acquisition of the _____ territories in 1804, Army Capt. Meriwether Lewis and Lt. William Clark led an expedition into the western frontier.
18. U.S. Army Special Forces Soldiers wears this color beret.
20. Fort _____ remains the only active Army installation of all the forts on the Southern Plains built during the Indian Wars.
21. Airborne forces wear this color beret.
22. On June 12, 1948, the Women’s Armed Services _____ Act allowed women to serve as permanent, regular members of the armed forces in the

- Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and the recently formed Air Force.
25. The only U.S. president to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor.
26. She is the only woman ever to receive the Medal of Honor, for her service to the Union Army during the Civil War.
27. The current Secretary of the U.S. Army.
28. Until 1946, the U.S. Air Force was part of the Army. It was called the U.S. Army Air _____.

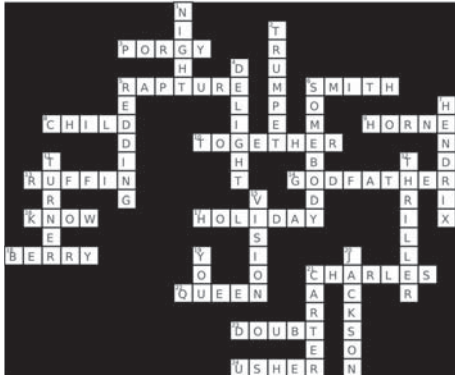
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1. The U.S. entered World War II after this country attacked Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.
2. The first director of the Women’s Army Corps, or WAC.
3. High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles are also known as _____.
5. The modern U.S. Army has its roots in the _____ Army, which was formed June 14, 1775 to fight the American Revolutionary War before the U.S. was established as a country.
6. President Lincoln’s _____ Proclamation, on Jan. 1, 1863, enabled both free blacks and escaped slaves, to join the Union Army.
7. The Army was under the control of the _____ Department until 1947.
8. An informal term for a member of the U.S. Army or Marine Corps during World War I.
11. In 1846, the U.S. went to war with this country following a period of border tensions.
14. The official Army song, “The Army Goes Rolling Along,” was adapted from an old artillery tune called “The _____ Song.”

15. The U.S. Military Academy at West Point was established by this U.S. president in 1802.
16. The Ranger motto is, “Rangers _____ the way!”
18. This Army general was the commander of Union troops at the end of the Civil War, and later became the 18th president of the United States in 1869.
19. The original Purple Heart was designated as the Badge of Military _____ by George Washington on Aug. 7, 1782.
21. Current Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army.
22. Schofield Barracks, in Hawaii, is home to the 25th _____ Division.
23. Fort _____ is the largest U.S. Army base in terms of population. It is home to the 82nd Airborne Division.
24. On June 14, 2001 the U.S. Army Rangers assigned to the 75th Ranger Regiment were authorized to wear this color beret, to replace the black berets that had become the army-wide standard.

Think you solved last week’s puzzle?
Check out the solution below

Solution to the June 2 puzzle



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Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter, center, announces the award of the revolutionary Fibers and Textiles Manufacturing Innovation Institute with its headquarters in Cambridge, Massachusetts, April 1. APG scientist Dr. Shawn Walsh, sixth from right, will serve as an advisor. DOD Photo

Consortium participation to improve Soldier protection

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scientist Dr. Shawn Walsh to serve as a subject matter expert in the vision development, scope and ultimate recommendations for the initiative.

Walsh works at the U.S. Army Research Laboratory, or ARL, on Soldier armor and protection. His early and pioneering work in smart textiles resulted in a patent and unique manufacturing advances in helmet and body armor technologies.

“I’m honored to have been invited to serve in an advisory capacity in this new enterprise,” Walsh said. “I hope to play a critical role that will augment the laboratory’s Materials Science Campaign and other areas that are vital to expanding Soldier protection and capability.”

The new hub will combine more than \$75 million of federal resources with nearly \$250 million of non-federal investment in innovative fabrics and textiles with novel properties ranging

from being extremely lightweight and flame resistant, to having exceptional strength and containing electronic sensors, according to the news release.

Future textiles may be useful in making firefighters impervious to the hottest flames, or replicate advanced sensing capabilities into a lightweight fabric.

“With these technologies, we may be able to detect when a wounded Soldier needs to be treated with an antimicrobial compression bandage or steer parachutes by actively changing their permeability,” Walsh said. “Our participation in this endeavor will ensure that the Army will have access to state of the art and breakthrough materials.”

Walsh said ARL colleagues like Drs. Eric Wetzel, Emil Sandoz-Rosado, Jennifer Sietins and Lionel Vargas-Gonzalez are pioneering new research efforts that could benefit from and expand impact of the Revolutionary Fibers and Textiles IMI impetus to create new materials, processes and opportunities for American fibers and textiles.

Outreach manager shifted ATEC STEM focus

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land and their local communities for the better.

In recognition of her key roles in local, regional, and national efforts supporting command and Army-wide STEM initiatives, Bryant took home a Rising Star award during the Northeastern Maryland Technology Council’s Visionary Awards Gala in February.

Most recently, Bryant won the silver award in the category of Outstanding Professional, Technical, Scientific and Program Support during the Baltimore Federal Executive Board’s, or FEB, 49th Excellence in Federal Career Awards ceremony May 6.

According to her supervisor Rachel Glassman, a human capital strategic manager at ATEC, Bryant’s FEB nomination was a result of her successful establishment of a command-wide strategic approach to provide STEM-literate talent for the research, design, testing and analysis work the Army conducts across every field

“Christina revamped ATEC’s Outreach Program to build stronger relationships with our nation’s diverse communities,” Glassman said. “She also supported efforts to sustain a STEM workforce during a period of constrained resources and in an environment of increasing diversity.”

The STEM initiative

As recruitment and outreach manager, Christina Bryant manages ATEC’s STEM initiative, which she said is essential in recruiting the next generation of talent for ATEC and the Army.

“As a nation, our need for STEM professionals to keep up with the ever-changing defense technological challenges surpasses the current future supply of personnel in STEM fields,” Bryant said. “Many students are unaware of, or don’t have the same opportunities as others do in education, nor the same availability of finances and resources.”

Bryant believes ATEC owes it to those students to ignite and inspire the next generation of STEM talent by conducting STEM outreach in elementary and high schools and in colleges and universities.

“My vision for ATEC in support of STEM outreach is for each subordinate organization to have a thriving STEM outreach program unique to their own specific organization but which emphasizes the support given to Soldiers and highlights ATEC’s facilities and capabilities,” Bryant said. “This in turn better

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serves our communities and historically under-represented groups and encourages them to pursue STEM education to meet defense technological challenges.”

Time in uniform

Born and raised in Connecticut, Bryant graduated from Amity High School in Bethany, a small town north of New Haven. She enlisted in the Army in 1998 as a private and served as a light wheeled vehicle mechanic at her first duty station at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and later became airborne qualified.

Bryant was a private first class when she left the Army in 2000 after being medically discharged. During her time in uniform, Bryant said the Army’s core values – loyalty, duty, respect, selfless service, honor, integrity, and personal courage – took on real meaning for her and were instrumental in shaping her character.

“I saw joining the military as an opportunity to be a part of something bigger than myself,” she said. “It also provided me with many physical challenges, which I enjoyed, and a chance to travel.”

Before leaving the Army, Bryant had started working toward her undergraduate degree and took evening courses at Campbell University’s satellite campus on Fort Bragg. In 2004, she completed her degree requirements through Campbell University’s distance learning program and earned a bachelor’s degree in business management.

Returning as a civilian

In 2005, she returned to the Army as a civilian and accepted a position at the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center at APG. For two years, she worked as a human resources specialist in the civilian personnel system.

In 2007, Bryant accepted a position as a management analyst at ATEC’s Aberdeen Test Center, or ATC, in the HR department. For three years, Bry-

ant continued to increase her knowledge of the civilian personnel system but from a military organization perspective. In 2010, she was promoted to recruitment and outreach manager with ATEC Headquarters.

“My position as recruitment and outreach manager has changed significantly over the past six years,” Bryant said. “Originally, I was brought on board to attend local career fairs to recruit ATEC’s future workforce.”

Eventually, the recruitment process changed with the adoption of the Pathways Program, Bryant said, adding that the change came at a time when she was ready to broaden her knowledge in other areas while still using her HR experience as a foundation.

“The Pathways program is a collection of paid internship programs that provide students opportunities to explore federal careers,” Bryant said. “All Pathways applicants are required to go through USAJOBS, which is the Office of Personnel Management’s official website for listing civil service job opportunities with federal agencies.”

Bryant said before the Pathways program was implemented, public job announcements were posted on ATEC’s website to attract summer students and interns. An announcement on USAJOBS was not required.

Along with this new change in the recruitment process, ATEC was facing numerous budget reductions, requiring the command to adjust its recruitment methods and come up with alternative ways to make recruitment efforts more efficient. As a result, Bryant said she began targeting career fairs attended by multiple universities instead of traveling to individual career fairs.

Transforming her role

Additionally, due to reductions in resources previously allocated to recruitment, Bryant said she realized she would also need to transform her

position. The idea about how to shape that transformation was born, she said, when she first learned of the Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center, or CERDEC, STEM outreach program.

“When CERDEC employees relocated here [to APG] from New Jersey in 2008, they also brought with them a robust STEM outreach program,” Bryant said. “In 2011, CERDEC invited ATEC to participate in one of their STEM outreach events.”

That invitation resulted in the start of ATEC’s very own STEM outreach program and the shift in focus and transformation of her position to STEM outreach and recruitment.

In 2011, Bryant proposed that ATEC host Team APG’s FIRST Lego League, or FLL, qualifier as an opportunity for the command to host a STEM event on the installation. The first qualifier was held in January 2012, and the command now annually hosts a FLL qualifier in its headquarters building.

Bryant said when she conducts demonstrations at STEM outreach events, she strives to focus current technologies on ATEC’s testing mission by incorporating phases of test and evaluation into her demonstrations to make students aware of the role it plays in STEM-related fields.


“By reaching out to younger generations and getting them interested in STEM, Christina is building a bench for the future,” said Ashley Wetting, Bryant’s former colleague who assisted her with several ATEC STEM programs.

The command recognizes Bryant’s passion and determination to push for growth of STEM at ATEC, as well as regionally and nationally, as factors that have contributed to her successful career.

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Humble, and at times uncomfortable with the spotlight her accomplishments have shined on her, Bryant said she encourages anyone climbing the ladder of success to take advantage of available opportunities for career growth and development.

“You never know where those opportunities will lead or guide you,” she said. “Even if those opportunities don’t work out, at least you tried.”



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