

Senior Leaders West Point graduation



“Character, competence, courage and commitment is part of the sticker price of being an Army leader. If you take care of your Soldier(s), they will take care of you. If you lead, they will follow and together you will take the hill.”

– Gen. Joseph F. Dunford Jr.

Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
May 26, 2018, West Point, N.Y.

On Point STARRS - Longitudinal Study

The Study to Assess Risk and Resilience in Servicemembers — Longitudinal Study (STARRS-LS) is a research project funded by the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) to create actionable information on risk reduction and resilience-building for suicide, suicide-related behavior, and other mental/behavioral health issues in the military. It continues and expands the work begun by the Army STARRS project. STARRS-LS was established in July 2015, as a research partnership between DOD, the Department of the Army and the National Institute of Mental Health to follow the original Army STARRS participants for another five years.



Exercise Maple Resolve

Exercise Maple Resolve is an annual joint U.S. Army-Canadian brigade-level, multi-national collective training exercise which runs throughout May and includes forces from the U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps, France, The United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand.

Commemorating origins of America’s ‘First Division’



2nd Lt. Autumn Mitchell, 1st Engineers Battalion, 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, walks among the headstones at the Somme American Cemetery in Somme, France, May 25, 2018. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Michael C. Roach)

By Sgt. Michael C. Roach, 19th Public Affairs Detachment

CANTIGNY, France – Soldiers from the 1st Infantry Division were selected to attend the U.S. Army in World War I Centennial Commemoration in Cantigny, France, over the 2018 Memorial Day weekend.

The first ceremony held at Cantigny was a rededication of the 1st Inf. Div. monument designed to honor the nearly 1,000 Soldiers of the “Big Red One” who were casualties during the battle to liberate the village from German forces on May 28, 1918.

The monument was originally placed in a field on the outskirts of Cantigny, but was recently relocated to an area closer to the village center.

“You see our motto is that there’s no mission too difficult and no sacrifice too great,” said Brig. Gen. Richard Coffman, 1st Inf. Div. deputy

commanding general for maneuver, to the crowd gathered at the ceremony. “The mission was difficult – we made many, many sacrifices ... but, we know that freedom is not free and America was willing and always will be willing to support its great allies.”

Robert J. Smith, Fort Riley Museum Complex director and historian, along with other historians from the U.S. Army Center for Military History, led the Soldiers on a historic tour to the significant areas in Cantigny. This tour helped explain why the battle of Cantigny is such an important part of 1st Inf. Div. history.

“The battle of Cantigny was fought here over 100 years ago; it was an extremely significant battle for the United States Army,” Smith said. “It was the first significant action of American participation in World War I. The battle inflicted nearly 1,000 casualties for the 28th Infantry and the 1st Inf. Div.”

FORSCOM in the news

The 13th Expeditionary Sustainment Command recently welcomed a new commander during a change of command ceremony at Fort Hood, Texas.



The 3rd Cavalry Regiment recently assumed the Operation Inherent Resolve mission from a 10th Mountain Division unit in Baghdad, Iraq.



Soldiers of the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division, recently returned from a nine-month deployment to Afghanistan.



The 101st Airborne Division recently hosted the 2018 Day of the Eagles to celebrate a “Legacy of Heroism,” of over 75 years at Fort Campbell, Ky.



The 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, recently completed a five-day exercise focused on subterranean operations in Washington State.



‘Big Red One’ in France



19th Public Affairs Detachment - Command Sgt. Maj. Craig Bishop, 1st Infantry Division command sergeant major, looks across the Oisne/Aisne American Cemetery, France, which holds the remains of American Soldiers who fought and died in World War I, May 25, 2018. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Michael C. Roach)

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Left Brig. Gen. Todd Royar (right), acting commanding general of the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), and Command Sgt. Maj. James L. Manning, acting division command sergeant major, carry a wreath to place at a memorial monument during the Honor Eagle ceremony, May 24, 2018, on Fort Campbell, Ky. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Sharifa Newton)

Right 1st Sgt. Scott Kelsey, 5th Battalion, 3rd Field Artillery Regiment, 17th Field Artillery Brigade, climbs a rope during the I Corps Best Warrior Competition at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash., May 15, 2018. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Jacob Kohrs)



Above Soldiers assigned to the 53rd Movement Control Battalion, 7th Transportation Brigade, render salutes during the playing of the National Anthem during a Noncommissioned Officer induction ceremony, May 11, 2018 in Poznan, Poland. (U.S. Army photo by Spc. Dustin D. Biven)



Above Past and present paratroopers assigned to the 82nd Airborne Division stand in recognition to fallen paratroopers at the 82nd Airborne Division War Memorial during All American Week XXIX, May 23, 2018, at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. (U.S. Army photo by Spc. Christopher Brecht)

Left Staff Sgt. Gregory Finch (left), and Pfc. Chase Rudeck, assigned to 3rd Platoon, C Company, 3rd Battalion, 41st Infantry Battalion, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division, move forward during an exercise at the Doña Ana Training Complex, N.M., May 11, 2018. (U.S. Army photo by Winifred Brown)



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